



**TWYFORD
C of E SCHOOL**

**Our value is
'Love'**

**Friday, 02
February
2024**

*"Friends, let us
love one another
because love
comes from God."*
1 John 4:7

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to begin this newsletter by thanking you for your well wishes over this past week as I recover from a virus. It is moments like this that I am reminded about how fortunate we are to have such a wonderful supportive community here at Twyford School.

This past term has whizzed by and I can hardly believe that there is only one more week to go until we break up for the February half-term break. As always, school remains busy so please take time to look through the diary dates at the bottom of this newsletter to make sure you are aware of what is coming up.

Y5/6 Trip to Science Oxford Centre

On Wednesday, Year 5 and 6 ventured out of school to the Science Oxford Centre. They had a brilliant day exploring various science and maths based puzzles as well as taking part in a live workshop – perfect for their science topic 'Investigate and Discover!' Thanks to FOTS for funding half of the transport costs associated with this trip.

Chinese New Year Workshop

We welcomed a special visitor in school today who led Chinese New Year dance workshops with all our children. 2024 is the year of the Dragon and the children embraced this by working together to perform a traditional Chinese Dragon dance, moving to the beat of the music. Following this, they created a spectacularly colourful dance using fans and long flowing ribbons. At the end of the day we were treated to a show, sampling some of the dances the different groups had performed during the day. It certainly was an experience that they all enjoyed being part of and I would like to thank FOTS for funding this and making it possible.

Kitchen Refurbishment

During the half-term holiday, work will begin on refurbishing our school kitchen. It is expected that this work will take approximately three weeks to complete. During this time our access to drinking water will be limited, therefore please make sure your child comes to school with a full bottle of water every day. Thank you for your help with this.

Instagram

It is great to see that so many of you have begun to follow us on Instagram. We use this social media platform to share with you some of the many things that take place in school each week. If you have not yet taken a look, scan the QR code which will take you straight to our Instagram page.



Once Upon A Time in Pantoland – Twyford Village Hall

There are quite a few of our pupils taking part in the village pantomime and we wish them all the very best in this year's production. I believe tickets are still available. See advert below for further details.

With warmest wishes,
Judith Bloomfield
 Headteacher

We Learn Together; Grow Together; Achieve Together knowing that Jesus said:
"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit."
 John 15:5



TERM DATES		
<i>*2024/25 are provisional and to be confirmed</i>		
Spring 1 Term 2024	Thursday 4 th January 2024	Friday 9 th February 2024
Spring 2 Term 2024	Tuesday 20 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
Summer 1 Term 2024	Monday 15 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
Summer 2 Term 2024	Tuesday 4 th June 2024	Monday 22 nd July 2024
Autumn 1 Term 2024	Thursday 5 th September 2024*	Friday 25 th October 2024
Autumn 2 Term 2024	Monday 4 th November 2024*	Friday 20 th December 2024
Spring 1 Term 2025	Monday 6 th January 2025*	Friday 14 th February 2025
Spring 2 Term 2025	Monday 24 th February 2025*	Friday 4 th April 2025
Summer 1 Term 2025	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025*	Friday 23 rd May 2025
Summer 2 Term 2025	Monday 2 nd June 2025*	Wednesday 23 rd July 2025



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 6th February 2024	NEW	AWAY Football match vs Grendon Underwood KO 3:45pm (AWAY)
Friday 9th February		School breaks up for half term
Monday 19th February 2024		INSET Day, school closed to pupils
Tuesday 20th February 2024		School re-opens to pupils after half term
Wednesday 28th February 2024	NEW	Parent book looks 3:30-5:30pm
Thursday 29th February 2024	NEW	Parent book looks 3:30-5:30pm
Wednesday 6th March 2024	NEW	Parent meeting with Teachers 3:30-6:45pm
Thursday 7th March 2024	NEW	Parent meeting with Teachers 3:30-6:45pm
Thursday 7th March 2024	NEW	World Book Day
Monday 18th March – Thursday 21st March 2024		Bikeability Training for Year 5
Thursday 28th March 2024		School breaks up for Easter holiday
Monday 15th April 2024		School re-opens after Easter break
Tuesday 16th April 2024		School offer day for Reception September 2024 places
Wednesday 17th April 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 24th April 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Tuesday 30th April 2024		Class Photographs
Wednesday 1st May 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 8th May 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 15th May 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 22nd May 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Friday 24th May 2024		Break up for half term
Monday 3rd June 2024		INSET Day
Tuesday 4th June 2024		School re-opens after half term
Wednesday 5th June 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 12th June 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 19th June 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Wednesday 19th June 2024	NEW	Year 5 and 6 Residential - return Friday 21 st June 2024
Wednesday 26th June 2024		LKS2 Swimming
Tuesday 2nd July 2024		School transition (for children to visit new school/classroom)
Monday 22nd July 2024	NEW	School breaks up for summer holiday
Tuesday 23rd July 2024		INSET Day



NXT LEVEL COACHING WRAP AROUND CARE

To book: <https://www.nxtlevelcoaching.co.uk/book-online/twyfordcofprimary>

Contact: info@nxtlevelcoaching.co.uk Text: 07703 187543

Please book wrap-around care or club places by midday

BREAKFAST CLUB	DROP & GO	AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB	
7.50am – 8.40am	8.30am – 8.40am	3.15pm – 4.15pm	4.15pm – 5.30pm
£3.50	£1.00	£4.00	£4.00
Book online	No need to pre-book	Book online	Book online
Breakfast served until 8.20am		Activities including art, craft, sports, games, Lego and construction	Activities including art, craft, sports, games, Lego and construction <i>Light snack served</i>

Please see important message from Nxt Level Coaching concerning their wraparound care policy.

We are writing to inform you about an important change to our booking policy for wraparound care. The cut-off time for same day wraparound care services will be moved to **12:00 PM**.

This adjustment is being made for safeguarding reasons. As our staff are involved in teaching throughout each afternoon, it becomes challenging to ensure that late bookings are consistently added to our registers on time. By implementing this change, we aim to maintain a secure and organised environment for all our students.

We understand that emergencies can arise, and to accommodate such situations, we have designated a process for late bookings. In the case of an emergency, please contact the school office directly to make a late booking. Your child will be added to the day's register and an invoice for payment will be sent directly to you. However, we kindly request that this option is only used in genuine emergency situations and not as a regular occurrence.

We believe that these changes will contribute to the overall safety and efficiency of our wraparound care program. We appreciate your understanding to the updated booking policy.



Buckinghamshire Family Learning

Help your child manage their Wellbeing with these FREE online workshops

Mondays 7pm-9pm

for parents and carers with a child in Years 7-11 only*

Years 7, 8 & 9

- **15 January:** Help your child build confidence and resilience (FMWB056)
- **22 January:** Help your child cope with stress and anxiety (FMWB081)
- **29 January:** Help your child to develop positive friendships and manage peer pressure (FMWB087)
- **5 February:** Happy, healthy and safe online-tips to help your child (FMWB092)

Years 10 & 11

- **8 January:** Help your child cope with stress and anxiety (FMWB105)



* For parents and carers with a child in Years 7 to 11 at one of the following schools: Aylesbury UTC, Aylesbury Vale Academy, Beaconsfield School, Bourne End Academy, Buckingham School, Chiltern Hills Academy, Cottisale School, Cresses Community School, Highcroft Academy, John Scott School, Mandeville School, Princes Risborough School, St William Ramsay School, Stony Stratford School, The Grange School, Thomas Freemanle School and Wyddialle CofE School

SCAN ME



SCAN the QR code, **CLICK** on the course date link or **PHONE** 01296 383582 with the course code (eg. FM.....) For more information, text Kathryn ☎ 07770 641997

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Family Support Service

How to...

Move up to Secondary School Course for year 6s

Getting ready to move up to secondary school? Not sure what to expect? Our short, six-week course could help.

6 sessions cover:

- What to expect at secondary school
- Making friends and dealing with peer pressure
- Tackling your fears and worries
- Getting organised

Book by 5 February 2024

To secure your place, scan the QR code for more information.

If you need help email earlyhelp@adultbc.ac.uk



Online Tuesdays
5:30 to 6:30pm
Microsoft Teams



Aylesbury Wednesdays
5:30 to 6:30pm
Elmhurst Family Centre



Princes Risborough Tuesdays
6 to 7pm
Risborough Family Centre



SCAN OR CLICK ME

Courses start from week beginning 19 February 2024



Buckinghamshire Family Learning

Find out what the advantages are of volunteering and what skills you will need.

Discover where to find volunteering opportunities.

Thinking about Volunteering?

Join our **free**, 2- hour online workshop

Tuesday 26 March, 9:30-11:30

To book, click on the link above, scan the QR code, or call 01296 383582.

For more information contact Kathryn on 07770 641997



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F.A.D.S presents
ONCE UPON A TIME IN



PANTOLAND

By Alex Jackson

TWYFORD VILLAGE HALL

ADULTS £6	FRIDAY 9TH FEB 7:30PM
CHILDREN (18 AND UNDER) £4	SATURDAY 10TH FEB 2:00PM AND 7:30PM
OAPs (65 AND OVER) £4	FRIDAY 16TH FEB 7:30PM
	SATURDAY 17TH FEB 2:00PM AND 7:30PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM TINA HODGES ON
01296 738488 OR 07779 128285
AND TO BE COLLECTED FROM TWYFORD VILLAGE STORES

**MARSH GIBBON TENNIS CLUB
CLEMENTS LANE MARSH GIBBON OX27 OHG**

The tennis club are offering a FREE 5 week Introduction to Tennis course for children in Years 1 & 2 who have not previously attended a free or other weekly course at the club.

DATES

Saturdays: 02/03 – 30/03 (12.30pm until 1.15pm)

The course will be run by an LTA Accredited coach.

To book a place(s) please email with the heading **MARSH GIBBON SATURDAYS** your child's name, school & DOB & your name & mobile contact number to:

peter@cowleytennis.com

The club will supply equipment & rackets for the sessions.

**Peter
Coaching Programme Manager
Marsh Gibbon Tennis Club
07539 244155**

February Half Term

12 - 17 February 2024

From Monday 12 - Friday 16 February discover a different craft every day from Lunar New Year Dragon puppets to 80s inspired Grow a Troll and lots more! End the half term on a high with our FREE Gameshows of the 80s Family day on Saturday 17 February.

For more event details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org



Monday 12 February - Discover The Year Of The Dragon

Celebrate the Year of the Dragon this Lunar New Year by making your own dragon puppet. £3.50 per participant. 10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm.

Tuesday 13 February: Make A Moveable 80s Game

Create your very own 80s inspired handheld game. £3.50 per participant. Suitable for ages 5+. 10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm.

Wednesday 14 February: The Marvellous Marble Race

Become a physicist in this exciting workshop: experiment with different materials and learn all about the science of friction in order to create the wildest marble run you can! £7 per participant. Suitable for ages 5+. 10.15am - 11.15am and 1pm - 2pm.

Thursday 15 February: Grow-A-Troll

Make your own clay troll to take home to grow a wild crop of hair. £5.50 per participant. Suitable for ages 5+. 10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm.

Friday 16 February: Bucks Heroes Craft

Create an A3 picture using stencils, collage, paint and sensory materials of your favourite food then add to our community mural. £3.50 per participant. 10am - 3pm.

Saturday 17 February: FREE Gameshows of the 80s Family Day

To celebrate our 'I Grew Up 80s' Exhibition come and try your hand at some of the 80s most beloved game shows! Weave your own friendship bracelet, add to our graffiti wall, go on an 80s trail and lots more! Entry included in your standard admission charges. 10am - 3pm.

FREE

- **Booking essential for all activities. Activities suitable for ages 3+ unless specified.**

Make a day of it and visit the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery and the rest of the Museum while you're here. We're now open Sundays 12pm - 4pm as well.

For more event details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org