

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Sunny Weather**

The warmer and sunnier weather this week has been welcomed in school and we have spent time reminding the children about how they can help look after themselves in relation to this. We discussed the need to wear a sunhat, bring a bottle filled with water and apply sun cream in the morning before coming to school. We also let them know that sunglasses should not be brought to school. If your child needs to have sun cream reapplied during the school day, please make sure the bottle is named and given directly to your child's class teacher who will keep it safe. Please be aware that we are not able to apply sun cream to the children so you will need to make sure that this is something they can do independently. We also let the children know that sun cream should not be shared with their friends.

### **Class Newsletters**

At the end of last week, you would have received a class newsletter from your child's teacher. Please take the time to read through these and discover what your child will be learning this half-term. Other relevant information is also shared in the newsletter to help keep you informed. As always, if you have any questions about your child's learning or would like to speak with your child's class teacher please get in touch.

#### **FOTS Update**

Earlier this week FOTS had a meeting where they discussed what events and fundraisers they would like to do. Please keep a look out for any further information from them so you can help support the work they do, either by volunteering or taking part.

I would like to thank FOTS on behalf of the children for the ice-pops that arrived in school on Wednesday; the children really enjoyed them during the afternoon on our first hot day of the year!

# Akwaaba Volunteers - Jordan and King to visit us

I am really excited to let you know that during the afternoon of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, Jordan and King (founders of Akwaaba Volunteers) will be visiting us in school as part of their trip to the UK. They will spend the afternoon with the classes and talking to the children about the work they do within the community back in Ghana. I have seen first-hand how inspirational both Jordan and King are and hope that through meeting them, our children will be able to appreciate further the work that Akwaaba Volunteers do.

I would also like to take this opportunity to let you know that thanks to some further donations, we are now only £70 away from our original target of £750; providing sponsorship for three children – Janet, Wisdom and Erica (pictured opposite). Rothschild house will be holding a fundraiser later in the summer term but if you would like to make a contribution towards our target please send it to the office marked with 'Akwaaba Volunteer Donation'. Thank you.

# VE Day Celebrations – Thursday 8th May

You may be aware that Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May is the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day. To mark the occasion in school, we will be having a special assembly and also inviting the children to wear red, white and blue clothing instead of their school uniform (please no face paints or coloured hair spray). If your child has PE on that day, please ensure they are wearing suitable clothing and footwear to take part in their PE lesson.

## **Introducing Miss Anderson, our SENDCo**

Miss Anderson has joined our staffing team following the Easter break and has already spent time in classrooms getting to know the children and staff. She has written the following as a way of introducing herself to you:

My name is Miss Anderson and I am thrilled to be working as the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCo) at Twyford. My role is to oversee the provision for children with additional needs and support the staff with this. I have been a primary school teacher for 18 years and worked across a range of schools in Milton Keynes and Aylesbury. I have taught across all the year groups, held a number of leadership positions and have been a SENDCo for 6 years. I will be working at Twyford on a Thursday and look forward to getting to know the children and families of the school.

Should you have concerns about your child related to special needs or disabilities, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance who will then liaise with Miss Anderson.

### **Diary Dates**

All dates that have previously been shared are available to view on the website school calendar here.

#### **Fresh Start**

Should you need to contact Fresh Start please call 01280 360653.

I wish you all a wonderful extended weekend for the May bank holiday.

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 2024/2025			
Summer 1 Term 2025	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	
Summer 2 Term 2025	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	

TERM DATES 2025/2026		
Autumn 1 Term 2025	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025
Autumn 2 Term 2025	4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Spring 1 Term 2026	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Spring 2 Term 2026	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Summer 1 Term 2026	13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026
Summer 2 Term 2026	2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	21st July 2026

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School Diary



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	May Bank Holiday – School closed	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	
Wednesday 21st May 2025	Year 5 Science Festival at the Royal Latin School	
Wednesday 21st May 2025	Year 3/4 Swimming	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	School breaks up for half term	
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	INSET Day	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	School re-opens after half term	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group	

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	School Nurse Vision Checks for Reception Class
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Year 3/4/5 Swimming
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Baby and Toddlers Group
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	School breaks up for summer
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	INSET Day
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	INSET Day
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	School re-opens after summer break
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Individual photographs
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	School breaks up for half term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	INSET Day
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	School re-opens after half term
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	School breaks up for Christmas holiday
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	INSET Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	School re-opens after Christmas break
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	School breaks up for half term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	School re-opens after half term
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	School breaks up for Easter holiday
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	School re-opens after Easter break
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	School breaks up for half term
Monday 1st June 2026	INSET Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	School re-opens after half term
Tuesday 21st July 2026	School breaks up for summer
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2026	INSET Day