



# Tweseldown News

Thursday 15th November 2018

**Wednesday 21st November– Robin class assembly starting at 9:00am.** Parents from Robin class welcome to attend. Please stay afterwards for tea/coffee and a chat in the Library.

**Thursday 22nd November– Winter Warmer.** 4.30pm-5.30pm. Please come for a hot chocolate and a story with your child.

**Friday 23rd November–** Inset day, school closed to pupils.

**Wednesday 28th November–** Kingfisher class assembly. Parents from Kingfisher class are welcome to attend. Please stay afterwards for tea/coffee and a chat in the Library.

**Tuesday 4th December–** Reindeer run from 2.15pm, parents welcome to come and walk with their child.

**Wednesday 5th December–** Fleet Lions Christmas concert, starts 7.30pm at church on the heath at Elvetham Heath.

**Thursday 13th December–** Keep the date free- School Disco. Letter will be sent out nearer the time. No payments will be taken on the night of the disco, only pre paid entry.

**Wednesday 19th December–** Rocksteady concert from 9.00am in the school hall. Parents welcome whose children attend the Rocksteady class.

**Wednesday 19th December–** Flu vaccinations will take place throughout the day.

**Friday 21st December– Christmas Jumper Day,** children are welcome to bring in a £1 and come into school with a Christmas jumper on, proceeds will go to Save the Children.

**Friday 21st December–** Last day of school before the Christmas break.

**Christmas break– Monday 24th December to Friday 4th January.**

**Monday 7th January–** First day back after the Christmas Break.

**Wednesday 9th January–** Year 2 trip to Marwell Zoo, if you haven't already done so please return the medical and consent form along with payment into school ASAP.

**Tuesday 5th February–** Year 1 Mile Stone trip, if you haven't already done so please return the medical and consent form along with payment into school ASAP.

**Inset Days For The Academic Year-** Friday 23rd November 2018 Tuesday

23rd April 2019 Monday 22nd July 2019 Tuesday 23rd July 2019

**School is closed on these days.**

# Year R News

## What have we been doing this week?

This week we have been learning about Diwali. This is the festival of lights and Hindu's celebrate it. We have learned about the traditional celebration leading up to and around Diwali such as decorating the front of your house with colourful patterns (rangoli patterns) and having Mehndi patterns painted onto your hands. In classes we have been making our own Diwali lanterns, Diya lamps and designing our own rangoli patterns using pasta and peg boards.

In phonics we have learned our last few Phase 2 sounds l, ll and ss. We have started to recap all of the sounds we have learnt so far to ensure we are secure on them all. We will start having a bigger focus on being able to correctly write the sounds as well as saying them. Challenge yourself at home to write the sounds you know, you could help write a shopping list.

In maths we have started to look at 1 more than a number. We have been finding a number and adding 1 more to it in lots of different ways. For example, we have helped a ladybird out by adding 1 more spot to her back.

Our number of the week this week is number 7, can you spot 7 things around your home? Maybe you have 7 teddies on your bed or 7 peas on your plate.

Things to talk about this week: Can you discuss the celebrations you celebrate as a family whether it is birthdays or a religious celebration. Please talk to the children about why you do this in your family and what makes it special. Let us know what special celebrations you celebrate in your family, we would love to hear.



# Year 1 News

## What have we been doing this week?

This week Year 1 have been reading, writing and solving addition number sentences in Maths. Guy Fawkes wanted to stack different amounts of barrels in two boats to get them across the river. Some children needed to find the total amount of barrels he had in his two boats. Other children had to find as many different ways as they could for him to split an amount of barrels into two boats. Next week we will be continuing our problem solving journey using subtraction. I wonder if you could practise taking 1 item away from different groups of items at home? Then try to take 2 away?

In English the children have been investigating what words and punctuation they need to write a diary. They found capital letters, the word 'I', finger spaces, conjunctions (and, because) and full stops were used in a diary we read in class. The children will be planning diary entries towards the end of this week, pretending they are Guy Fawkes during the Gunpowder Plot.

In PE the children have been using the apparatus in the hall to make and hold gymnastic shapes. They have all remembered the five different shapes and have been experimenting using them on the wall bars, benches, mats and beams.

In Computing this week the children have been looking at greetings cards we might send to one another at a time of celebration. They designed a greetings card that they would like to send to someone at home. Over the next few weeks we will be using different skills to publish their designs using a computer.



# Year 2 News

## What have we been doing this week?

In English, the main character in our key text is called Bob. Bob asked us to create a set of instructions for him to make a Space lunch. We made a sandwich; thinking carefully about the steps needed for a set of instructions. We sequenced the steps using pictures and key words. We wrote the instructions and then had a go at editing our work.

The children have been learning to divide in Maths this week; using sharing and grouping. We have drawn diagrams and used apparatus to help us to understand what division means. As we progress through the week, we will move on to using repeated subtraction to find the answer to division problems. Can you share items equally at home this week? Perhaps your child could share out 10 toys for 2 people.

In Art, the children made four different design ideas for their wax-resist pictures and practised using the technique in preparation for their final piece. Also in Topic lessons, the children worked in groups to research information about the Solar System using books and the Internet. They presented the information that they found to the class. In gymnastics, we have been using different ways of travelling to link our gymnastic shapes together and begun to compose our own sequences.



# PTFA News

We have listened to your feedback and we have moved our PTFA meetings back to an evening, as a result we look forward to seeing lots of new faces at our next meeting. The next **PTFA Meeting** Monday 19th November 19.30 at Tweseldown Infant School.

Letters will be in book bags this week for you to reserve your tickets for our upcoming Christmas Fireworks on Friday 7th December. Please make sure you return your form with payment no later than 30th November. Tickets are limited so be sure to get yours early. We are in need of volunteers so we can be sure to give everyone an amazing safe night at the fireworks. **CAN YOU HELP??** We need cooks for the BBQ, marshals, volunteers serving food and drinks and help for our other stalls. We welcome help from all the family so please invite aunts uncles and grandparents to help support the school.

We are looking for prizes for our Christmas raffle!! If you own a business or if your employer would like to donate a prize please contact us via our email address.

We are being sponsored by Bridges at our fireworks. We are looking for families who would be happy to have a board outside their homes on the run up to the night. We will be paid for every board we have displayed so please get in touch if you can help.

**Call for volunteers:** Thursday 22nd November, 3.00pm until 3.30ish we are looking for volunteers to help with the school book fair in the school.

Thursday 22nd November 4.15pm-5.45pm we are looking for volunteers to serve Hot Chocolate at the Winter Warmer at the school.

Cake sale Tuesday 4th December volunteers needed to help sell cakes at the annual reindeer run.

These are all great fundraisers and the children really enjoy them so please consider coming along even if it's just for an hour to help.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS THESE EVENTS WILL NOT GO AHEAD. WE INVITE ALL PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO COME ALONG AND VOLUNTEER FOR ALL OUR EVENTS.

Please get in touch anytime at [tweseldownptfa@gmail.com](mailto:tweseldownptfa@gmail.com) if you can support any events through sponsorship or volunteering even an hour of your time.

Keep an eye on 'tweseldown parents reminders' page on facebook for a list of events we would love you to get involved with.

# Reminders

## Bring Your Spade!

Join us for a free BBQ and bring a spade!

Are you able to help your school improve its outside area?

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday 18th November.

From 10-1pm. All family members welcome. If plans at home change you're welcome to just turn up on the day.

## Friday 16th November - 'Old School Catering' free lunch

If you filled out and returned the free school lunch flyer that was sent out last week, please come to reception at the following times:

**Year R parents– 11.45am**

**Year 1 parents– 12.00pm**

**Year 2 parents– 12.15pm**



Don't forget to register Year R and Year 3 children for September 2019 intake. The cut off date is January 15th 2019.

## Home learning–park and talk week



Please visit the local park with your child and have a chat about your visit, what you saw and what fun activities you took part in.

## School Disco Thursday 13th December

**Keep the date free, a letter will be sent out nearer the time. Please be aware we will not be taking payment on the night and will only allow pre paid entry.**

## Christmas Performances

**Monday 10th December– Year 1 performance for younger siblings 2.00pm**

**Monday 10th December– Hedgehog class performance 9.00am**

**Tuesday 11th December– Deer class performance 9.00am**

**Tuesday 11th December– Rabbit class performance 2.00pm**

**Wednesday 12th December– Mole class performance 9.00am**

**Wednesday 12th December– Mouse class performance 2.00pm**

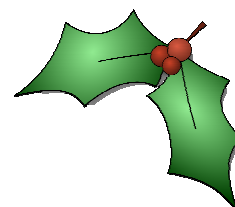
**Thursday 13th December– Squirrel class performance 9.00am**

**Friday 14th December– Badger class performance 9.00am**

**Friday 14th December– Otter class performance 2.00pm**

**Monday 17th December– Year 2 carol service 1.30pm, at Bowenhurst Church.**

**Younger siblings welcome to all performances in Year R**





# Important Information

There has been a bout of sickness in school, please remind your children to wash their hands regularly throughout the day to stop the sickness spreading. If your children has had sickness or diarrhoea they can not return to school until 48hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

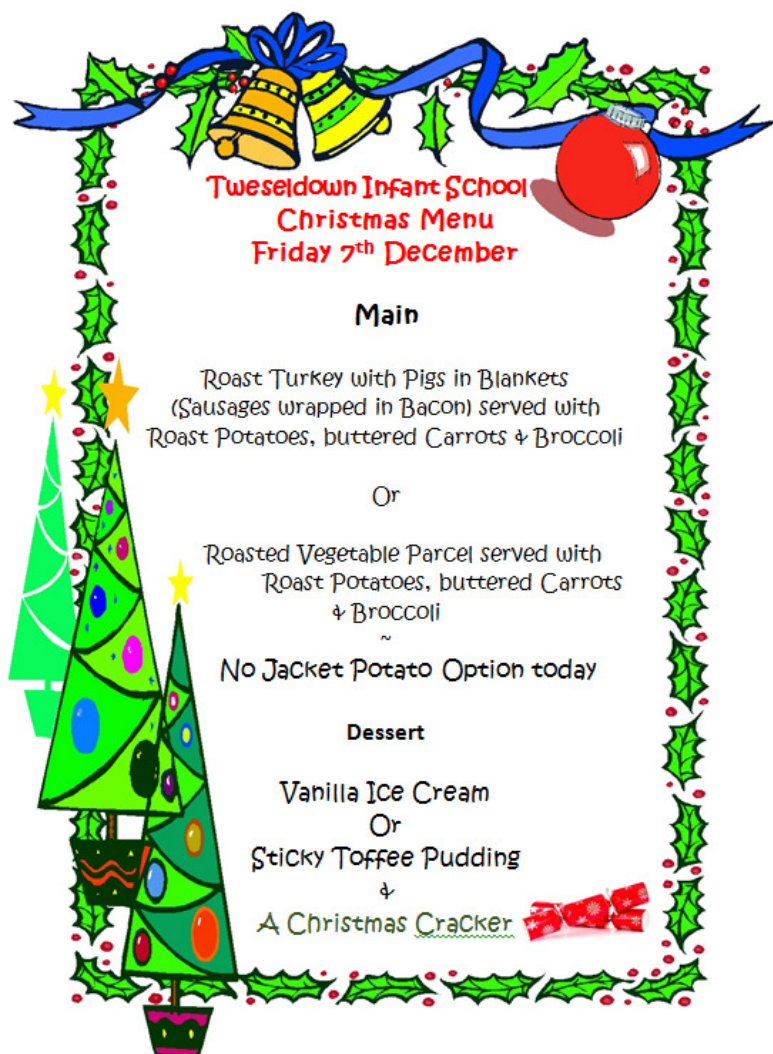
Please report any absences through either the absence mail box on:  
[absence@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk](mailto:absence@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk) or call the school office on Tel: 01252 628843 option 2 and leave an absence message.

## Coffee morning for service families

This week at the coffee morning for service families, we are being joined by Toni Woodman from Home Start a free service, and confidential. Do come along to the Acorn Room in the round building next to Church Crookham Junior School- 9am on Friday 16th.



Biscuits and plenty of toys for pre-school children.



Please take a look at our Christmas lunch menu which the children will be able to enjoy on the 7th December. A letter will be sent out soon so your child can make their lunch choice. There will also be a festive packed lunch option for children who would normally bring a packed lunch from home. (Home packed lunches are also welcome on this date)



# In other news



## TWESELDOWN INFANT SCHOOL

# CHRISTMAS FIREWORK EXTRAVAGANZA

PROFESSIONAL LOW NOISE FIREWORKS

FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER

GATES OPEN AT 5PM  
FIREWORKS TO START AT  
6.30PM.  
TICKETS AVAILABLE  
SOON!!!



BBQ, SANTA, HOT  
CHOCOLATE,  
ALCOHOL FREE  
MULLED WINE, TEA,  
COFFEE, CHRISTMAS  
STALLS, CHRISTMAS  
CAROLS AND  
MORE....

TWESELDOWN INFANT SCHOOL- NEPAL GARDENS. PLEASE WALK  
WHERE POSSIBLE TO REDUCE THE IMPACT ON OUR NEIGHBOURS



## Tweseldown Playgroup Christmas Fair

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November  
2pm-4pm

Church Crookham War Memorial Hall  
Sandy Lane GU52 8TD



Entrance is free, though charges may apply for some attractions  
[www.tweseldownplaygroup.co.uk](http://www.tweseldownplaygroup.co.uk)

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