



Tweseldown News

Thursday 22nd November 2018

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, 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 came back to school to find our class teddy bear very sad because he had never had a birthday party. We discussed all the things we know about birthdays and decided we need to host a birthday party for him. We have been busy getting our classrooms ready by making bunting, paper chains, wrapping presents, writing party food lists and even writing birthday cards. We had to remember all of our sounds we have learnt to help us with our writing.

We have finished learning all of the sounds for phase 2 phonics and have started to recap them with a focus on writing them and putting them into CVC words (e.g. sat, pin). Why not try and practise your writing at home! This week our focus has been s, a, t, p, i, n.

Our number of the week is number 8. We found lots of different animals and objects that have 8 in the name such as octopus and an octagon. We discussed what was special about the name 'octo'. During the week we have been focusing on one less, we had a teddies bear picnic where one teddy would eat an item from the rug and we would practise counting how many were left. We also built towers with a piece falling off to help us see that less means it's a smaller amount. Can you count the tins in your cupboard? How many would be left if you used one?

This week try and talk about how you celebrate birthdays in your family. Do you have any special traditions that other families don't? You can also talk about what changes you can see around school.



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? Can you write the number sentence to show this e.g. $13-2=11$.

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 our designs using a computer.



Year 2 News

What have we been doing this week?

This week we met Beegu in our new key text! Can your child tell you who Beegu is? We started the week by making predictions about the story and the character. Next, the children recalled the story and wrote how Beegu would feel at each point in the story. The children were very thoughtful and tried to use a range of adjectives to describe the character's emotions. Can your child remember how Beegu felt at the end of the story?

The children have learned to write 'families' of multiplication and division number sentences. They learnt that multiplication is the inverse, or opposite, of division and this was helpful when writing the number sentences. They have also tackled multiplication and division word problems and had to work out which operation was required to solve the problems.

In Geography, we have identified local landmarks and looked at aerial photographs of the local area. We are looking forward to singing our Christmas songs in Fleet next Wednesday and have been practising hard to prepare for the performance. It's not too late to join in, please talk to your child's class teacher.



PTFA News

Cake Sale - We will be holding a cake sale on **Tuesday 4th December**. This term we are asking Year 2 for cake donations they can be homemade or shop bought, all your donations will be greatly received. Can cakes be brought in to class rooms at school drop off on Tuesday 4th Dec. The entire school are invited to purchase cakes at the reindeer run .

Tickets are now on sale for our **Christmas Fireworks** on **Friday 7th December**. Please get your reply slips and payment in early as spaces are limited and tickets are available to the whole community. You should have a letter requesting volunteers for the evening. Please do consider helping out on the night as without you we may have to scale back the event and that will impact the funds we raise.

Discos will be held on 13th December - These are always a great hit with all the children and its lovely to see them having so much fun. **Please note there have been some changes to the way our discos will be organised.** We will no longer be able to escort children to and from KOOSA Kids so please be aware you will need to make alternative arrangements if your child is coming to the disco. Posters are in class windows with more info.

If your business is looking for some extra exposure, we are looking for local businesses to donate prizes for our Christmas Fireworks.

Thank you to everyone who has helped this week with the Book Fair and Winter Warmer.

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.

Reminders

PARKING

Please remember that the car park to the left of the school as you approach us, is **for staff only**. Please do not use it for dropping off or collecting children. If there are special circumstances that require use of the staff car park please come and speak to the office first where a permit can be issued. Please note, this will only be for exceptional circumstances not for parents/carers running late. Please refrain from coming into Crookham Park for drop off and pick up, instead please use the designated parking areas at the Church on Bowehurst Road and the Memorial Hall parking on Sandy Lane. **Please do not park in residents bays, these are for the use of residents only.**



TAKE THE CHALLENGE!!

Home learning– Paint a pebble

For home learning this week we would like you and your child to find and paint a pebble together, why not make it a Christmas theme...

School nativity performances

Your child may have lines in our upcoming Christmas nativity plays, please help them learn these at home. Check book bag!



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

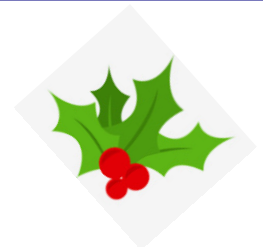
Thursday 13th December– Squirrel class performance 9.00am

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 or call the school office on Tel: **01252 628843 option 2** and leave an absence message.

The **PTFA** are having a **wrapping paper and ribbon sale** on Friday 30th November from 2.30pm-3.15pm. Come and get all your Christmas wrapping essentials.



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

For a Christmas treat all classes will be **making mince pies**, for this fun activity to take place we need parent volunteers. Please let the class teacher know if you are able to help. Thank you for your continued support.



Work on the school field

Hampshire County Council is working alongside Tweseldown Infant school to resolve a long term issue with the drainage and condition of the playing field at the school. Regrettably the playing field has deteriorated to such an extent that children are unable to safely use it as intended. A series of soil investigations have taken place which will inform a significant drainage scheme that will resolve the issue. These works are planned to be done during the summer in order to allow children safe access to the playing field from Sept 2019.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner flyers were sent out this week, please return your child's choices ASAP either to the school office or via your child's classroom.

Year 1 and 2 School trips

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.

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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

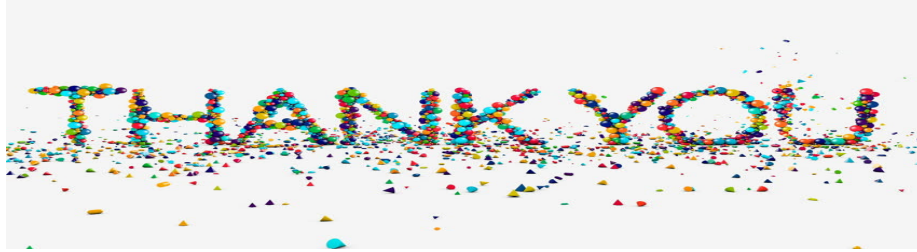


Tweseldown Playgroup Christmas Fair

Sunday 25th November
2pm-4pm

Church Crookham War Memorial Hall
Sandy Lane GU52 8TD





A massive thank you to all our parents, grandparents, children and local community who came on Sunday 18th November and took time out of their weekend to help us develop our outside area!

We had a fantastic group of volunteers who helped build, paint and plant making the Year R outside area look fantastic.

If you haven't seen our new additions why not take a detour on your way into school tomorrow!

A huge thank you to Old School Catering who cooked a fantastic BBQ to help us refuel!



**Pallets kitchen
for the mud
kitchen!**



**Come and hang
out in our camo
tunnel den...**



Our amazing building team!

**A huge thank you to Jewson
Farnham who supplied the wood
and sleepers to help us create a
small world area and a planting
area for the children.**



Keep an eye out for the bulbs and plants appearing in the tyres and planters throughout the year which were donated by Redfield's Garden Centre and Mrs Emma Rothery!

Meet the planting team!



The soil and gravel was kindly donated to us by R Collards in Eversley!



Thank You

Our planting area was christened by Mr Jones who donated a raspberry plant to the school! Thank you Mr Jones...



Everyone enjoying a mouth watering BBQ!



Thank you
Old School
Catering for
supplying us
the food!



Meet the painting team...



A final thank you to Mr
Finbow for taking time to build
us our amazing bus and
picture frames and Miss Vass
for donating the pallets!

Thank
You