



Tweseldown News

Thursday 9th November 2023

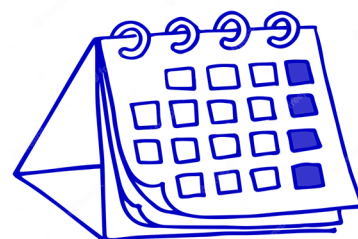
Our value for the month of November is *Courage*

This week during our assemblies we have been focusing on remembering. We started by playing a memory game where we needed to remember what items were hidden on the plate during assembly which was really tricky! We also thought about Remembrance Day. We explored what Remembrance is all about and why it is important to think about people who work to protect others.

Diary Dates

November

- Friday 10th- 9.00 Maths Mastery in your child's classroom
2.30pm Mulled wine and a chat with Mrs Tottem
- Tuesday 14th- Wear blue for Diabetes day
- Wednesday 15th- 9.00am Bump and Babies coffee morning
- Thursday 16th- 5.00pm Winter Warmer
- Tuesday 21st- 9.00am Year 2 Rock Steady concert
9.30am Year 1 Rock Steady concert
- Wednesday 22nd - Fleet Festivities
- Thursday 30th — **RESCHEDULED**—PTFA Disco



Christmas Performance Dates

Please join us for your child's Christmas performance, enjoy tea or coffee with a mince pie for £1 to get you in the festive spirit, available in the foyer prior to the performance.

November

- Tuesday 28th 9.15am Squirrel and Mouse
- Wednesday 29th 9.15am Rabbit and Hedgehog

December

- Tuesday 5th 9.15am Otter and Mole
- Wednesday 6th 9.15am Badger and Mole
- Tuesday 12th 9.15am Kingfisher and Robin
- Wednesday 13th 9.15am Owl and Woodpecker



Important Information

Mulled wine and conversation—**TOMORROW!**



This coffee and conversation session on 10th November at 2.30 has a seasonal twist— join Mrs Tottem for mulled wine and a mince pie whilst sharing your views about our school.

Maths Workshop - **TOMORROW!**

Please stay in your child's class to see how we teach different maths techniques!

Don't forget to Join us on these dates too;

November 10th, 17th, 24th and December 1st and 8th.



Diabetes Awareness month

Type 1 diabetes affects some of the pupils and staff at our school so please read the attached leaflet to learn more about diabetes. On 14th November we are joining in world diabetes day by wearing blue. If you would like to donate to Diabetes UK please click below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/tweseldownworlddiabetesday>



Can you help?

We are looking for a videographer to help with some small videos to promote our school, please contact the office if you are able to help.



Spare tights and socks

If you are able to donate some age 5-6 or 6-7 tights and socks we would be very grateful to have them in school—there are lots of puddles around at the moment! If we lend your child uniform please can you ensure it is cleaned and returned to school for the benefit of everyone.



Bump&Baby

If you are an expectant parent, or have recently had a new baby, there will be a Bump & Baby Coffee Morning in the school library on **Wednesday 15th November** straight after drop off.



Important Information

Support in a cost of living crisis

Citizen advice

<https://citizensadvice Rushmoor.org.uk/>

<https://citizensadvice Hart.org.uk/>

Specific cost of living pages on council pages

<https://www.hart.gov.uk/cost-living-support-hub/help-paying-your-bills/cost-living-payments#:~:text=You%20may%20be%20able%20to,your%20benefit%20or%20tax%20credits.>

The Vine Centre - based in Aldershot - when people use their food bank services they automatically get advice around budgeting

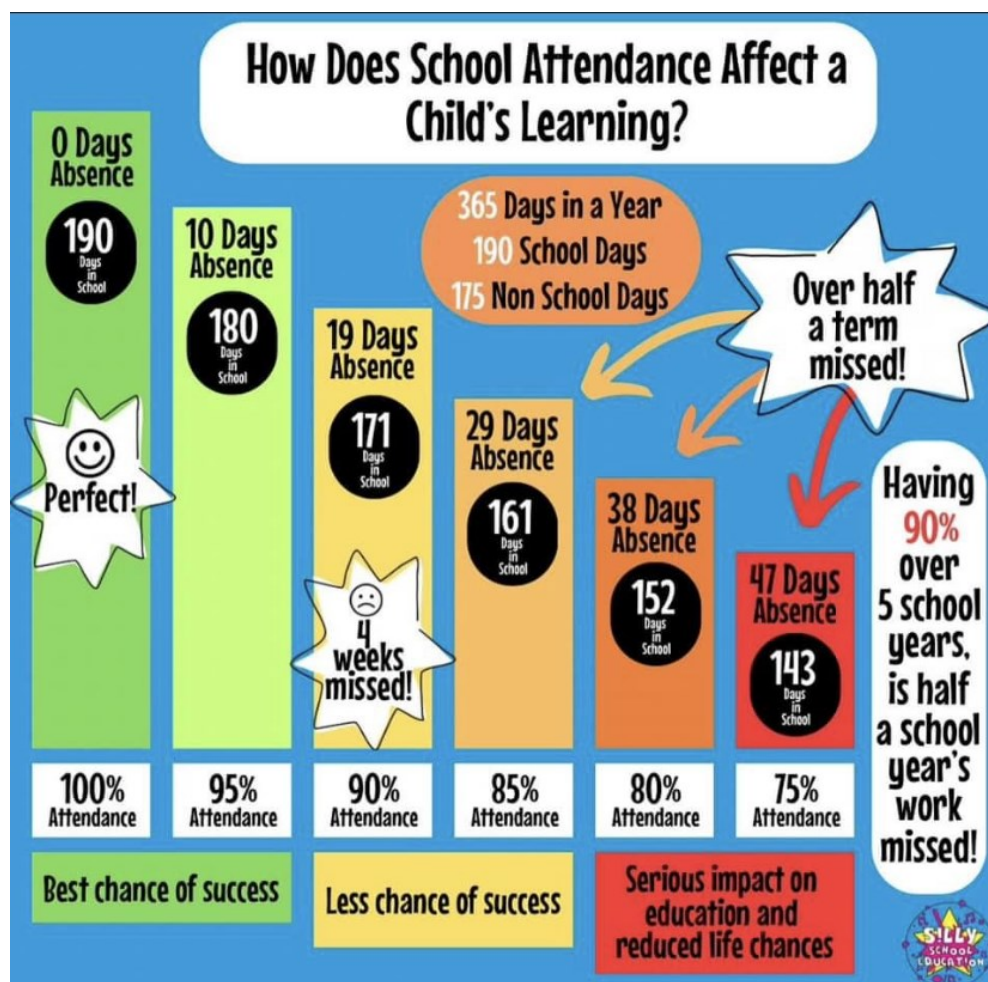
<https://www.thevinecentre.org.uk/>

Christians against poverty

<https://capuk.org/>

Connect to support Hampshire - have supporting around budgeting

<https://www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/>



What have we done this week?

Read below to find out what your child has been doing this week and ask them/talk to them about what they have been up to.

What have we been doing this week?

Year R News



This week started with a bang as we began our week of learning about how we celebrate bonfire night. The children helped to draw fireworks with chalk, learned about the importance of firework safety and read a firework poem with rhyming words. They made rockets using junk modelling, created paintings of fireworks with sparkly glitter and created interesting patterns with marbles and paint!

In phonics we have started learning phase 3 sounds. Keep remembering to practise the sounds we have sent home so they are fresh in your child's mind and to work on the oral blending skills to help support their early reading skills. Any questions, speak to your class teacher.



In maths, we have been learning about comparing groups of objects, identifying when there are more/less and have been representing numbers on our fingers. At home, you could practise this more by encouraging your child to identify who has more or less with items around the house. Can they accurately count the items using 1:1 correspondance?



We also learned about Remembrance Day, what it's all about and each child decorated a Poppy to create a class display. Look out for it in classroom windows!

Please also keep practising lines for the Christmas Nativity for those children who have speaking roles! 3 weeks to go!



Year 1 trip to Beaulieu

We had a wonderful day at Beaulieu and experienced a car ride, a trip on the monorail and saw some fabulous old cars. Thank you to all the grown ups for their help on the day.



What have we done this week?

What have we been doing this week?

Year 1 News



Wow what an exciting week in Year 1! We all loved our trip to Beaulieu. We got to see some of the very first cars ever made, old sports cars, unusual cars as well as ride on the monorail! We even spotted some cars that had been in films and on TV! It was a fantastic trip and we would like to thank all the grown-ups that helped us on the day.



Back at school, we have been writing about our trip and designing our own version of the 'Hundred Decker Bus'. The children have chosen to put bouncy castles, farms, race cars, parks, gardens and many more different decks on their buses. They have been very imaginative in their ideas! In our maths, we have been identifying one more and one less than a given number. The children have then used their knowledge of number and part, part, whole model and the representing these as a bar model.



The children have started singing songs that are part of the Y1 Christmas Performance and are getting excited to start our rehearsals. Information about costumes will be coming out soon.



What have we been doing this week?

Year 2 News



This week, Year 2 have continued their learning in history about castles. This is getting us enthused for our upcoming school trip to Portchester Castle. The children have learnt why castles were built. They learnt about key features of a castle that are used to defend the castle from attackers or intruders. Can your child tell you about the moat, the drawbridge, the keep, the stone walls or any of the weapons that were used to defend a castle?

In art, we are working on making pop art with a repeated motif using printing. We enjoyed choosing different colours and it was fun to use paint!



In English, we have been writing a story based on 'George and the Dragon' by Chris Wormell. The children have impressed us with their descriptive word choices. They have chosen an alternative creature to be George (instead of the mouse in the original story) and it has been wonderful to read their descriptions of this character. We will continue to write this story into next week.



Can your child describe to you what a consecutive number is? We have learnt that consecutive numbers always have a difference of 1. We have been learning what the term 'difference' means in maths and we can describe it using STEM sentences and using the subtraction symbol in number sentences.



Monday 13th November-
Monday 20th November-

Owl & Woodpecker to Portchester Castle
Robin & Kingfisher to Portchester Castle

Beyond the Gate – Skills List

As a PTFA we are supporting the Beyond the Gate, part of that is building a resource of contacts who have skills we can tap into to support the development and maintenance for the site, see they attach form link and see if there is any skills you can offer. We will use this contact list to contact relevant people with relevant skills. Your support is much appreciated. <https://forms.office.com/e/UEPJhguPS9>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – BEYOND THE GATE

Use the link to sign up volunteersignup.org/WM9DQ We have lots of gaps to fill these volunteers are essential to these sessions.



Autumn Disco 30th Nov- Postponed date, if you have yet to buy a ticket still time, £2.50 please make payment online. Tweseldown Infant school Sort Code:30-80-42 Account 27335060

Xmas Cards/gifts – Parents will receive links in the next week or so to then order gifts, the PTFA gets £1.00 for every product purchased.



Festive Fireworks 8th Dec – FEW STALLS LEFT use link to register interest - <https://forms.office.com/e/iNnSK7MyNi>

Tickets on sale see posters, tickets are selling fast.

CALLING YEAR 2 PARENTS – We need year 2 parents to volunteer to plan and run they year 2 leavers event in July, please email PTFA@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk

Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
2nd	8th	8th-12th	2nd
Disco	Festive Fireworks	Uniform Donation	Mufti Day
£2.50			£1
16th	14th	23rd	
Winter Warmer	Santa Visit	Uniform Sale	
27th		25th	
PTFA Mtg		Disco	
29th		£2.50	
Reindeer Run			

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PTFA Event

JOIN US FOR A

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Fireworks

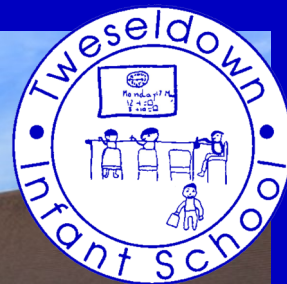
FRIDAY 8 DEC 17:00-18:30

CHRISTMAS MARKET STALLS
FOOD AND FESTIVE DRINKS

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE VIA QR CODE



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Growing Together, Learning Together

Will your child be 4 years of age by 31st August 2024?

If so, please come along to one of our **open sessions** for a tour of the school and to find out a bit more about us.

Tour the school during the day

Spaces are limited to 6 families per session and we do ask that you pre-book.

Date	Time
Thursday 16th November 2023	9:15am and 10:30am and 1:45pm
Friday 24th November 2023	9:15am and 10:30am and 1:45pm
Monday 27th November 2023	9:15am and 10:30am and 1:45pm
Friday 5th January 2024	9:15am and 10:30am and 1:45pm

Please note, we unfortunately cannot accommodate children during the tours.

Please telephone the school office on **01252 628843**

to secure your chosen session.