



Tweseldown News

Thursday 14th December 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Autumn Term comes to end, I want to say a huge thank you to each and every person within our school community for supporting Tweseldown this Autumn term. It is as if our Reception families have always been here, parents and children alike have settled in so well. I can't believe a whole term has whizzed by already.

The children's performances this Christmas were so endearing, professional and reminded us all of the real meaning behind Christmas. We were so proud of each and every child and bet you were too! Thank you to parents for providing costumes, learning lines and coming to school to support us. There's nothing like an infant child's nativity to get us all in a Christmassy mood.

The sense of awe and wonder this Christmas when Father Christmas came once more to visit Tweseldown in his chinook. It truly was spectacular. Needless to say the discussions, the pictures and the writing from the children was amazing too. Thank you to RAF Odiham for making every child's day magical and special. "The best day ever" was heard lots on Tuesday with Father Christmas, a chinook, Christmas lunch, a year 2 performance and even a visit from Miss Hall. It certainly was a day to be remembered.

Wishing each and every Tweseldown family a wonderful and happy Christmas with friends and relations. We look forward to welcoming each and every one of you back to school on Wednesday 3rd January.

Kind regards,

Mrs Tottem





Important Information

Diary Dates

December 2023

Friday 15th— **Last day of term, 1.30pm finish**

January 2024

Wednesday 3rd- **8.35am Start of Spring term**

Thursday 4th- 2.30 Year R board game extravaganza

Monday 8th- Year R superhero dress up day

Thursday 11th- 2.30 Year 1 & Dragonflies board game extravaganza

Thursday 18th- 2.30 Year 2 board game extravaganza

Monday 22nd- 2.45 PTFA second hand sale



Annual board game extravaganza

Please save the date to join your child at 2.30 in their classroom to play a board game.

Year R— 4th January 2024

Year 1 & Dragonflies— 11th January 2024

Year 2— 18th January 2024



Reindeer Run

Please bring in any sponsorship as soon as possible as Phyllis Tuckwell are coming in January to collect the remaining donations.

Tweseldown Advent countdown!

Please keep an eye on our facebook page for the very special advent treats. It is also uploaded to our website. Please share with your child .

<https://www.tweseldowninfantschool.co.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/Tweseldowninfantschool>



Important Information

Aldershot Urgent Care Centre

The service is open Monday to Saturday from 8am – 8pm. If you contact 111 or your local GP practice, you may be offered an appointment here. You may also be redirected to this service if you attend A&E.

There is a walk-in clinic for under-12s, available Monday – Saturdays from 2-6pm.

*However, booking is strongly recommended for children under 12 to avoid long waiting times and to ensure availability of appointment as those with urgent clinical needs will be prioritised.

For more information about the service, and for wait times for the under 12 walk in service, visit: www.aldershoturgentcarecentre.co.uk

**A PLACE TO
BE A SUPERHERO!**

DISCOVERY DAY

Fleet

Explore the world of performing arts through our free taster sessions in singing, dancing and acting for 4 - 7 year-olds.

Date / Time: 09 Jan 2024 16:00 - 17:30

Venue: Stockton House, GU51 4NS

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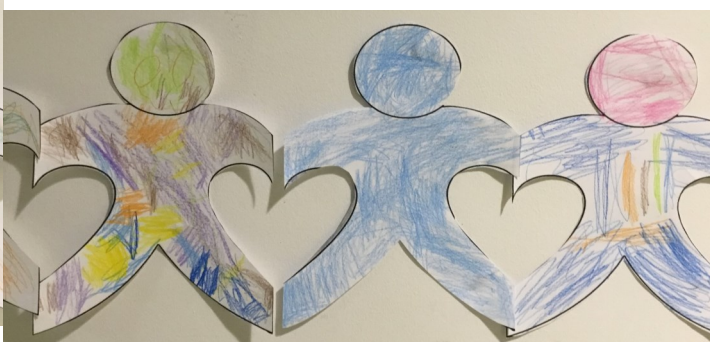
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School council craft

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Does your child have additional needs?

SEND INFORMATION SESSION FOR
PARENT CARERS IN FLEET

11am, January 10th
Harlington Centre, Fleet

For parents/carers of children/young people with (or who may have) special educational needs (SEND).

Hosted by Fleet PCN GP Practices

- Information about your child's rights to education, health, and social care
- How to get the help they need.
- Meet other similar parents.

FLEET PRIMARY CARE NETWORK



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Hear from:

Eleanor Wright, SEND solicitor, SOS!SEN
Nina Durasmy, Hart Health Partnership
Tania Tirraoro, Special Needs Jungle

There'll be refreshments on hand and stands from local voluntary groups, but no creche can be provided.

Just turn up!

If you run a relevant group and would like to have a stand, or for more information, email tania@specialneedsjungle.com

School Application Deadlines

If your child is moving to junior school or you are applying for a place at infant school the application deadline is

15th January 2024

You will find out which school has offered you a place on 16th April 2024.

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Tweseldown Choir at Bourley Grange

We enjoyed performing to the residents at Bourley Grange our Christmas songs, we enjoyed our festive treats and gave everyone our special Christmas cards.



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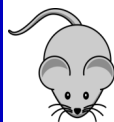
What have we been doing this week?

Year R News

We have reached the end of our first full term in school and what a term it's been! The children have been working amazingly hard in all areas of learning and are now well settled into school life. This week we have experienced some very exciting events... the chinook landing in our school field, a delicious Christmas lunch, performing a Christmas themed poem to the rest of the school, not to mention Christmas parties and a visit from the Big Man himself! Phew!

Look out for some exciting Christmas crafts that the children have been busy making in school...they moved around to different year R classes to create a different item. We are also sending out some Christmas activity packs to keep your little ones busy over the festive season. If you have a spare few minutes, please do encourage them to complete these to keep their learning fresh in their minds!

And finally, we wish all our families a very merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of the Year R Team.



What have we been doing this week?

Year 1 News

What a term! Nearly 4 months since the children have started in Year 1 and what amazing progress they have all made! We are very proud of their hard work this term!

This week has been a fabulous finale before Christmas. On Tuesday, we had the chinook visit us and land on the field which was super exciting. Followed by Christmas Dinner, it really was a lovely day in school. In our maths learning, we have been recapping our understanding of addition and subtraction by solving number sentences. We have also been practising our number bonds to 10 and 20. The children will continue to work on these in the Spring term so any practice over the holidays would be very helpful. Make it festive: If I have 3 Quality Street and 7 mince pies, how many treats altogether? In our writing, we have finished our narrative about 'The Naughty Bus' on the day that it visited school. The children had some very adventurous and imaginative ideas for the bus.

We have also enjoyed doing some Christmas cooking in the classroom and have decorated our Christmas Trees that the children have created using sewing.

We hope the children have enjoyed their first term in Year 1 and are proud of their achievements big and small! All of the Year One team would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you in January after a lovely break and ready to go in 2024!



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Year 2 News

What another fun, festive week we have had in Year 2! We loved performing our Christmas play to you all and we are really proud of you all. Thank you to all grown ups for helping to learn lines, bring in costumes and coming along to enjoy the show.

We enjoyed following a recipe to make our own festive biscuits and we have written up the recipe in English. We have had lots of fun making our own Christmas cards which we have carefully written. We tucked into a delicious Christmas dinner, performed our class poems, had fun during our class parties and even had a chinook land on the school field!



PTFA NEWS



THANK you

This year we want to say thank you for the amazing support given to us, this year the team has grown as has the support around the whole school community. We are grateful to the support from the whole school team, PTFA members and parents across the school.

With this support we have managed to raise the following:

- Festive Fireworks £1250.00
- Uniform Sales £342.17
- Disco £464.00
- Mufti £251.02
- Xmas Cards £167.00

The PTFA has supported the following this term:

- Beyond the Gate, Shed, resources, outdoor classroom, Bell tent.
- Compasses (15) plus training compasses
- £50.00 given to each teacher for class resources
- Christmas gifts from Santa
- Boxes for uniform stocks

SUPPORT

Future Plans

We will continue to support resources across the school as requested by the school including resources for beyond the gate and some bigger projects

Build your own Future

- We are always open to new ideas and new members, so let us know and join us. Have a great Christmas see you in the New Year.



Tweseldown Infant School



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
Friday 5th January 2024	9:15am and 10:30am and 1:45pm

Please note, we unfortunately cannot accommodate children during this tour.

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

to secure your place.