



Tweseldown News

Thursday 18th January 2024

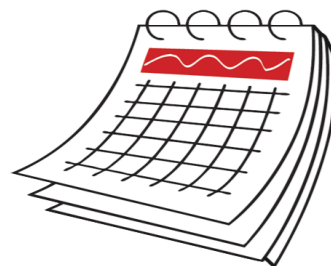
Diary Dates

January 2024

- Thursday 18th- 2.30 Year 2 board game extravaganza
- Monday 22nd- 2.45 PTFA second hand uniform sale—in the hall
- Wednesday 24th- 8.50am Woodpecker Class Assembly—tea and coffee afterwards
9am Year 1 local walk
- Thursday 25th- PTFA Spring school disco

February 2024

- Friday 2nd- PTFA Mufti Day—£1 donation—wear your own clothes
- Wednesday 7th- Year R Chinese dance workshop
15.45—18.05 Parents Evening
- Thursday 8th- 17.00—19.30 Parents Evening
- Friday 9th- Last day of term



Half term

Monday 12th—Friday 16th February

Annual board game extravaganza

Please come to join your child at 2.30 in their classroom to play a board game. Younger siblings welcome!

Year 2— 18th January 2024

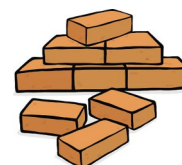


Parents Evening

At 7pm on Monday 22nd January booking for parents evening will be available through your Arbor account. This can be accessed online or via the App. Please contact the office if you have any difficulty.

Can you help?

We are looking for a reliable builder to help with a small job rendering a wall... if you're able to help please get in contact!



Important Information

Storytelling Week

Do you have a favourite children's story?

Would you like to share your favourite children's story with your child's class?



During the week of the 29th January we are inviting parents/carers/grandparents/aunties/uncles to come into school and read their favourite children's story to the class, to help us celebrate Storytelling Week. The story should be a maximum of 15 minutes and can be in English or the language which is spoken at home.

If you are able to help us celebrate Storytelling week by coming into school and sharing a story, please speak to your child's classteacher to arrange a suitable day and time for you to come in. If you would like to participate and are unable to see the child's classteacher on the door, either pop into the School Office, phone in or send an email to adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk stating the dates and times you are available. Thank you.



Spring Fair donations

We will shortly be collecting some items at school to make our spring fair on 23rd March a success! Your child will receive a token each time they make a donation, this will enable them to exchange their token for one turn at any stall on the day of our spring fair. Please have a look at the list below and send your items into the office.

2nd February—	Soft toy/ teddy
9th February—	Easter egg
23rd February-	Bottle or wine/alcohol
8th March-	Good condition children's games or books
15th March	Final donations to stalls—anything from the list above!
22nd March-	Homemade or shop bough cake (Nut free!)

Our Military community

We have some exciting events this year at Tweseldown! On 6th June it's the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day landings and we'd like the children to have a special day to celebrate. On 12th June we host our annual camo day which celebrates our armed forces and is loved by the children and everyone that volunteers. If you are able to offer any ideas or your time please contact the office or your child's class teacher.



Important Information

Carnival colouring competition

This year the annual artwork competition runs until Friday 23rd February, with the theme of safari. The winning masterpiece will be the cover for this year's programme. If your child would like to draw their design on a piece of plain A4 paper and write their name, age and school on the back.



The winning entries will be announced on Thursday 7th March, World Book Day. Entries can be on paper, scanned, or photographed and emailed to schools@fleetcarnival.org. All entries will be displayed in the Hart Shopping Centre once the winners have been announced.

What have we done this week?

What have we been doing this week?

Year R News

The children have continued their learning around the story 'Supertato'. We have been thinking about the characters' feelings and looking at facial expressions, discussing and writing about how the characters might have been feeling. We have also created wanted posters for Evil Pea, thinking about how we can describe him.

In phonics we are continuing to review our phase 3 sounds, particularly focusing on the digraphs. Keep practising these sounds at home, thinking of words that have those sounds in and spotting them in words and texts.

In maths we have been looking at ordering numbers to 5 and noticing how each time we add one more, our number gets bigger. We have used the numberblocks and cubes to help us understand this and have explored how when we put numbers to 5 in order, our cube towers form a staircase! We have also explored, hiding a number from our 'staircase' and seeing if our partner can guess which number is missing. Can your children make their own towers at home, ordering numbers to 5? You could make towers using things from home, such as pieces of pasta, cereal, or fruit.

Next week, we will be doing our local area walk on Wednesday. We are still after a few more volunteers to help us on the walk. If you are able to help, please speak to the office or your child's class teacher.



What have we done this week?

What have we been doing this week?

Year 1 News

It has been a chilly week however Year One brains have been learning at super speed and keeping us all toasty warm! In our English lessons this week we have been learning about interviews. 'We read the book, 'Interview with a Tiger' and have been thinking about what questions we might like to ask different animals. The children have practiced writing questions remembering their question marks. The children have carried out different role plays sharing their questions and creating answers and have then written this up as their very own interview. Perhaps they could interview someone at home after writing questions for you.

In maths, we have all been learning about groups of 10. We started the week by making groups of 10 with different objects in the class. We have been counting to and from 100 in 10s and have been identifying the missing numbers. The children have then been explaining why some numbers are bigger than others based on how many tens are in each number. Can you continue counting forwards and backwards in 10s at home? What about when going up and down the stairs?



What have we been doing this week?

Year 2 News

In English this week Year 2 have been using coordination and subordination in our writing. We have also been busy writing expanded noun phrases to describe and to make our writing more interesting.

In Maths we are continuing with our work on multiplication and are beginning to solve problems using arrays.

We have had great fun in computing using shapes, in the style of Picasso, to produce a piece of computer art.

Robin and Woodpecker classes were able to venture Beyond the Gate and had lots of fun exploring, topped off with a delicious hot chocolate!

This week we have two pieces of homework, to practise the Maths we have been doing this week and a fun activity for Storytelling Week.



Beyond the Gate - Forest School



It has been stunning in the Beyond the Gate site this week with the beautiful frost shimmering on the grass, mud and leaves; the frozen ice and bright blue sky! We have admired, with awe and wonder, how the ice crystals have formed on the leaves and grasses.

The children in Otter and Mole class have had the opportunity to apply their learning from their science lessons with activities set up by Mrs Dear. They looked at pictures of different animals, birds and fish and discussed if they would be found in the Beyond the Gate site (for example a toad would not live on the site as we do not have a permanent pond; mice would as we have wood piles and dead hedging which is perfect for them to nest and hide in).



They could also practise their categorisation of 'omnivores', 'herbivores and carnivores' by reading information and pegging a picture on the correct place on a string.



Robin and Woodpecker classes have also had the chance to practise and develop their compass reading and directional knowledge – which they have been learning about in their geography lessons. They were given the chance to find North in different places on the site and create a compass on the ground using foraged items.

As with the Forest School ethos, the children had the choice to freely choose what they wanted to do. It was lovely to see children helping themselves to watercolour paints in the outdoor classroom and painting pictures of animals and minibeasts. And, as always digging, mud play (enhanced by the ice) and climbing.



Mrs Dear remained at the fire circle and supported some children in fire striking and learning how to build a fire. Greater depth learning was observed as one child taught another child the 'safe fire position' and how to use a fire steel – her explanations were perfect.

We all enjoyed a delicious hot drink at the end to warm us up!

VOLUNTEERS:

To make our Beyond the Gate sessions the best opportunity and experience for the children, we depend on parent volunteers to support in the sessions. Please sign up using this link:

Can you help us?



PTFA NEWS

UNIFORM SALE

22ND January 2024

2.45PM TO 3.15PM

In the Main Hall all items

£1.00 CASH AND CARD
ACCEPTED.



School Disco

25th January 2024

Year R 3.00 - 3.45

Year 1 4.00 - 4.45

Year 2 - 5.00 - 5.45

Tickets are £2.50 each. Payments can be made via QR codes on class windows, bank transfers or cash.



Mufti Day

2nd February 2024

£1.00 donation

Payments can be made via QR codes on class windows, bank transfers or cash.



LIFT YOUR LIBRARY!



This year the school would like to develop and improve the library for the children to enjoy more reading and borrow books in a better space.

Our target is £20,000!

The PTFA has already donated £2,500 thanks to the amazing amount raised last term. So we have started.

All fund raising events such as bunny bounce, spring fair and many more will go towards this target. We will have some fundraising and sponsorship targets coming up.








SPRING FAIR 23RD MARCH

Tickets will go on sale soon and a letter will be sent out asking for items to support the fair and make the event a success.

£1.00 per adult

50p per child

£2.50 for a family ticket (2 adults and 2 children)

Day	Before School	Afterschool
Monday	 <p>Judo by Judo 4 Juniors 8:00am till 8:35am info@judo4juniors.com</p>	<p>French by Fun Francais Ltd 3:05pm till 4:05pm funfrancaisltd@gmail.com</p>
Tuesday	<p>Year R Football by Planet Soccer 8:00am till 8:35am admin@planet-soccer.info</p>	 <p>Street Dance by Bustagroove 3:05pm till 4:00pm Bustagroove.info@gmail.com</p> <p>Year 1 and 2 Football by Planet Soccer 3:05pm till 4:10pm admin@planet-soccer.info</p>
Wednesday	 <p>Year R Gymnastics by Hart Gymnastics 8:00am till 8:35am schools@hartgymnastics.org.uk</p>	<p>Multisport by Planet Soccer 3:05pm till 4:10pm admin@planet-soccer.info</p> <p>Gymnastics by Hart Gymnastics 3:05pm till 4:05pm schools@hartgymnastics.org.uk</p> 
Thursday	<p>Year R Bustagroove by Bustagroove 8:00am till 8:35am bustagroove.info@gmail.com</p>	<p>Gymnastics by Hart Gymnastics 3:05pm till 4:05pm schools@hartgymnastics.org.uk</p>
Friday	 <p>Yoga for Kids by Amber Wellbeing 8.00am till 8.35am naomij@amberwellbeing.uk</p>	<p>Theatre School by Bustagroove 3:05pm till 4:30pm Bustagroove.info@gmail.com</p> 