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Tweseldown News

Thursday 25th January 2024

Diary Dates

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January 2024	House Points
Friday 26th - 🔥	Oak House Mufti - Oak children to come to school in their own clothes
Monday 29th -	Story Telling Week
	Usborne Book Fair - open from 2:30pm till 3:30pm in the hall
February 2024	
Friday 2nd -	PTFA Mufti Day—£1 donation—wear your own clothes
Monday 5th -	Child's Mental Health and Wellbeing Week—Further information coming home this week
	Odd Sock Day—Further information below
Wednesday 7th-	Year R Chinese dance workshop—letters have been sent home
	15.45—18.05 Parents Evening
Thursday 8th-	17.00—19.30 Parents Evening
Friday 9th-	Year R Chinese Themed Cake Sale—after school
	Last day of term
Half Term—Monday 12th February till Friday 16th February	
INSET DAY MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY—SCHOOL IS CLOSED	

Coco the Rabbit

If anyone would like to have Coco for a little holiday over the summer holidays, weekends or any other school break, please email rabbit@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk and ask to be added to the list.



Cocoa is very well behaved, and loves going on holiday!

Can you help?

We need a few strong people to help John our site Manager put up some canopies for the children. If anyone is able to help, please contact the office on 01252 628843.

We would love to be able to get them up before the warmer weather starts.





We are looking for dads, uncles, grandads or any male role models in your children's lives, that would like to come in and talk to your child's class about what they do.

- What is your job?
- What do you like about your job and what makes it so great?
- Why do you do this job?
- How could the children do this job when they're grown up?

If you would like to get involved, please contact the school office on 01252 628843 or adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk to register your interest.

Usborne Book Fair—Monday 29th January

On Monday Usborne will be coming to run a book fair, supported by our PTFA.

Throughout the day the children will have the opportunity to come down and have a look at books that they like, and create a wish list.

Parents and carers are welcome to come into school from 2:30pm till 3:30pm to browse and purchase books.

60% of all sales made will go towards us receiving free books for school, which will make a great addition to our Library!

We look forward to seeing lots of you there!

If you are unable to come along, please feel free to send money in with your child in a **named**, sealed envelope with the amount clearly written on the front.

For an idea of costs please have a look at the Usborne website https://usborne.com/gb/books/browse-by-age Please note not all of the books online will be available at the fair.

PTFA Mufti Day — Friday 2nd February

On Friday children are welcome to come into school wearing their own clothes in exchange for a £1.00 donation. This money will be donated to our PTFA.

Odd Sock Day—Monday 5th February

As part of our Mental Health and Wellbeing week children are encouraged to come to school wearing odd socks. The more colourful and wackier the better! This is to celebrate the fact that we are all different and unique.

Mufti Day for Young Minds Charity—Friday 9th February

Rounding off our Mental Health and Wellbeing week will be a mufti day for children with donations going to Young Minds Charity. If you would like to contribute, please feel free to send money in with your children.

Year R Chinese Themed Cake Sale—Friday 9th February

After school on Friday there will be some cakes for sale that the children have made. These will be available for 50p each.

Usbourne Books will be at the school all day for the children to explore books and create a wish list.

Usborne Rooks Sale

Parents then can attend the sale in the main hall between 2.30pm-3.30pm to purchase any books Or you can purchase books online using the wish list slip given to your child

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Big Garden Birdwatch



This weekend is the RSPB's Big Garden Bird Watch. A perfect chance for you to spend an hour in nature (or watching from your window) and taking part in the annual data collection, which provides crucial information on how the population of our birds are faring.

It's easy to sign up (and free!). Just follow this QR Code. Then over the weekend, watch for 1 hour and then submit your data.



What have we done this week?

What have we been doing this week?





This week Year R have been continuing their learning of superheroes based around the Supertato story. The children have focused on the character Evil Pea and have enjoyed exploring lots of pea related activities such as describing Evil Pea, collecting peas with tweezers and even save the peas from the jelly! It has been a very slippery and sticky week of fun!





In maths, the children have been looking at ways to partition 5 and thinking about the different parts that make up 5. For example, 4 and 1 are two parts that make 5, 2 and 3 are two parts that make 5 etc.

We have been using the song 5 Little Speckled Frogs to help with our understanding of this.

Ask your child to sing the song to you and see if they can tell you the parts that make up the whole of 5, such as there are 4 frogs on the log and 1 frog in the pool but there are still 5 frogs altogether.

What have we done this week?

What have we been doing this week?

Bari This week in Year 1 we have been very busy! Thank you

to the grown-ups that joined us on our local area walk. The children were able to spot the human and physical features in our local area. The children were then able to use this knowledge to develop our understanding of human and physical features within the area of Fleet. Children were also able to discuss the features that they liked in the local area.

In our English, we started the week reading and predicting about the story 'You're Called What?!'. The children enjoyed learning about the very unusual names that animals have. We have then been learning about how a verb changed when the suffix -ed is added to the end of the root word. Can your child remember any words that we found on our word hunt? Can they remember how to spell them? The children have then talked about the day that they 'discovered' one of these unusual animals and will be writing a letter to tell the zoo all about this.

In maths, the children have continued using our counting in 10s knowledge. To start, the children used dienes sticks to create different 2-digit numbers. They were able to identify how many tens in a number and how many ones. The children then moved their knowledge on to place these numbers on a number line to 100 and then comparing what was different about the numbers. Children were able to reason by saying this number has 2 more tens or these numbers have the same tens but different ones.

What have we been doing this week?

What a busy week!

On Monday we received a message in a bottle from the pirate 'Jim Lad'. We thought about what we wanted to include in our replies and then wrote our own message in a bottle back to him. We have been researching Italy and China to help us with our information leaflets we are creating on Friday. We enjoyed finding out what they eat in these countries and what the weather is like there.

In Maths, we have been focusing on counting in 2, 5 and 10 and writing the correct number sentence. We are now moving onto sharing amounts equally to support us with division.

In dance so far this half term we have learnt the Cha Cha, Samba and this week we will be focusing on the Jive. I wonder if your children can teach you the moves they have learnt?













Beyond the Gate - Forest School



This week the wet and windy weather changed the dynamics of the Beyond the Gate site to muddy, slippery and wet! The children have relished the opportunity to jump in muddy puddles, explore water and find the best ways to move in the mud. It was lovely to see children risk assessing the "swamp" and "natural pond" before playing in it – including working out ways to measure the depth.

One of the children used a stick, leaf and string to make a boat!









A group of boys, who love digging, got busy on making a worm habitat – which turned into a 5-star worm hotel, including a swimming pool! They worked collaboratively and then wrote a poster for their "hotel" stating the rules of the hotel. It was lovely to see children writing within their play.





Mrs Dear provided the resources for the children to make different types of bird feeders to take home. They could stick sunflower seeds in apples, or make a mixture of oats, seeds, raisins, cheese and apple. The children who made these have taken them home and have been encouraged to take part in the RSPB's Big Garden Bird Count this weekend.









PTFA NEWS

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!

As part of our Library project we have Usborne Books coming in on Monday 29th Jan

They will be showcasing their books to the children throughout the day they can explore these books and create a wish list.

These books can then be purchased after school as the stall in the main hall which will be available from 2.30pm to 3.30pm in the main hall or you can purchase online.

60% of profits made go straight to the library funds.



SPRING FAIR 23RD MARCH

Spring Fair donations required to support our fundraising

Friday 2nd Feb - Soft toy/teddy Friday 9th Feb - Easter Egg

Each donation will receive a token to be used at the fair.