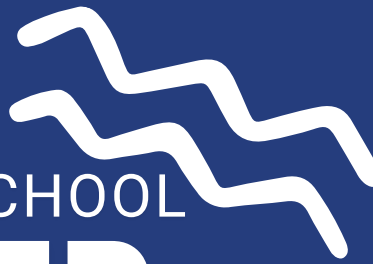


11/09/2025
TWESELDOWN INFANT SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER



DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER

18th September - Yr 1 parent welcome meeting 9-10am

19th September - Yr 2 parent welcome meeting 9-10am

22nd September - PTFA meeting in school at 8pm

26th September - Yr R parent welcome meeting 9-10am

REMINDER - PINS

(Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity
in Schools)

This meeting will be run on Zoom on 16th
September between 19.30 - 20.30 by the
local authority. Please see the details below
to join.

Meeting ID: 398 752 878 305 9

Passcode: 8rZ6tL32

We would love your feedback on supporting
neurodiversity within school.

SNACKS

Please ensure mid morning snacks are
healthy snacks including fruit,
vegetables, crackers or breadsticks.
Absolutely no Fruit Winders, Yoyos etc
for snacks or packed lunches.

Thank you.

REMINDER - NO NUTS!

Please can we remind all parents and carers
that we are a nut free school. Please adhere
to this strict policy for all snacks and lunch
boxes.

DRINKS

Please can we remind parents and
carers that children should only be
drinking water in school. No juice
please.

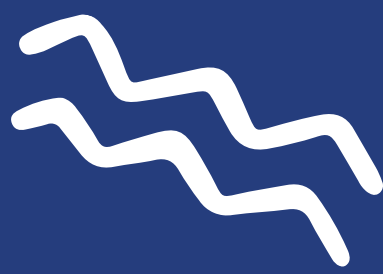
HEAD LICE AND NITS

Please remember to check your child
regularly for head lice and nits. If there is any
sign of either, please treat these
immediately.

DIARY DATES

Diary dates will be sent out tomorrow,
Friday 12th September.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



TERM DATES 2025/2026

16th September - Parent workshop on neurodiversity being held on Zoom
7.30pm - 8.30pm

24th October - Inset Day

27th October - 31st October - Half Term

22nd December - 2nd January - Christmas Break

5th January - Inset Day

16th February - 20th February - Half Term

23rd February - Inset Day

30th March - 10th April - Easter Break

25th May - 29th May - Half Term

29th June - Inset Day

22nd July - Last Day of School

BEYOND THE GATE YEAR 1

Beyond the Gate for Year 1 will begin after the October Half Term. Please keep the BTG kit at home for now and bring in on Monday 3rd November.

RECEPTION

Wow! Welcome to all of the new Year R children and families!
The children have really impressed us as they have tried so hard with their learning. We can't wait for more fun times with our learning as we get to know all of our friends in our class.

MR JOHN

We are sad to let you know that John Silvester, our site manager, is retiring. His last day will be 30th September. If parents and carers would like to make a contribution towards a leaving gift, can we please ask that you hand in cash in an envelope to the office. Please also include your name if you wish to be included in a leaving card.

YEAR 1

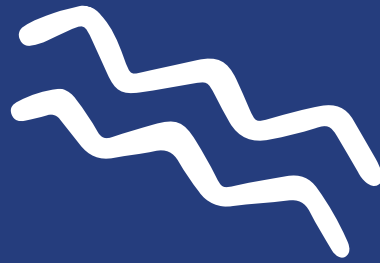
Wow Year 1 you have settled so quickly into your new routines! We can't believe we are only coming to the end of our first full week! Together we have been learning all about our new classroom routines and where to find all of our new resources. We have been reading the story 'There's only one you' and thinking about all the different ways that each of us is unique. In geography, we have been comparing what is the same and what is different between our homes and school.

Please come along to our Year 1 welcome talk next Thursday 18th September!

We are collecting outdoor resources! Please collect acorns, conkers, small sticks (pencil size) and fir cones and put them into the boxes outside of your classroom. This would be so helpful to our learning in school. How many can you find?



YEAR 2



Hello!

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see all of the children's smiley faces back in school. We are very proud of them for how they have returned back to school with such kindness and positive attitudes towards their learning. Well done Year 2! Keep it up!

The children have kick-started their topic all about castles by thinking about actual castles they already know of or those they have seen in stories and films. It was great to see them use this knowledge to build some of their own with the construction materials and start to use all the vocabulary to name the castles' features.

In the next lesson, they enjoyed looking at the features more closely and using the books and classroom resources to find the correct names, such as bailey, battlements and portcullis. You might like to quiz them on their knowledge at home.

Also, in English, the children have been learning about the tale of George (a little mouse who ends up living in a castle) and The Dragon. They were surprised to learn the monstrous dragon is scared of the innocent mouse! The children have been great storytellers, using their skills to retell the tale. Soon, they will plan to write their own version.

Recently, we shared a letter about our upcoming trip to Portchester Castle. Thank you to the parents who have already responded. If you're able to come along as a Parent Helper, we will be very grateful.

The children are looking forward to starting their Beyond The Gate sessions this week. We can't wait to see what Mrs Dear has in store for them!

Please remember appropriate kit for these sessions and both our indoor and outdoor PE lessons. Look out on the classroom doors for any other updates and news.

Thank you for your support.

PTFA

Hi Everyone!

We're the Parents Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) at Tweseldown Infant School. The PTFA work closely with the school to create engaging and fun events for the children with sprinkles of memory making in between. From ducklings and butterflies, to discos and fireworks, we can't wait to meet you and your little humans. Here's to an exciting year ahead!

The PTFA volunteers have monthly meetings to discuss future events. Our first meeting is on 22nd September at 20:00 at school. All parents and carers are welcome to come along – we would love to see you all there! If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please email us at PTFA@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk.

Best wishes from the PTFA team.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM: Dates for your diary

15-19 September - We'll be accepting uniform donations. The labelled grey donations box will be in the front entrance of the school.

If your child grew out of their uniform over the summer, which so many of us discovered last week, then we will happily take any unwanted uniforms off your hands and use it to generate more funds for our school! But please remember to only bring items that are suitable for resale - no stains or rips, etc.

29 September between 14:45-15:15 - This will be the first uniform sale of the term, in the usual place at the front of the school.

NEW THIS YEAR!

PAYMENT BUNDLE FOR DISCOS AND MUTFI

To make things easier, and to save you all the hassle of making small individual payments throughout the year for Discos and MUFTI days, we are now offering you the option to make a bundle payment. You will now have the option to pay a non-refundable one-off sum of £12.50, which will cover your child for all Discos and MUFTI days for this academic year! Of course, you will still be able to pay for each event separately, if you prefer. Please look out for QR codes in classroom windows or use the payment details below.

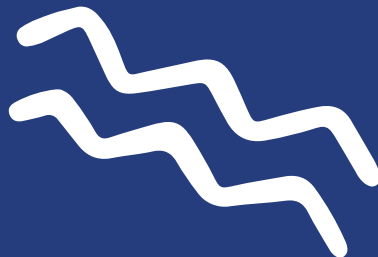
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Account number: 27335060

Sort code: 30-80-42

Please ensure you put your child's name and current class as the reference. (First letter of child's name, surname, and first 3 letters of class are sufficient. E.g. JBloggsKin = Joe Bloggs Kingfisher)

AUTUMN TERM EXTERNAL CLUBS



These clubs are run by external providers, for more information please contact them directly.

Day	Before School	After School
Monday		<p>French by Fun Francais 3.10pm till 4.00pm funfrancaisltd@gmail.com</p> <p>Drama Kids Session 1: 3pm-4pm Session 2: 4pm-5pm fleet@dramakids.co.uk</p>
Tuesday		<p>Street Dance by The Performers Place 3.05pm till 4.00pm info@theperformersplace.co.uk</p> <p>Year 1 and 2 Football by Planet Soccer 3.05pm till 4.10pm admin@planet-soccer.info</p>
Wednesday		
Thursday	<p>Gymnastics by Hart Gymnastics 8.00 till 8.35 am schools@hartgymnastics.org.uk</p>	
Friday	<p>Yoga with Katie 8.00 till 8.35 am kate@kwcgcoaching.com</p>	<p>Theatre School by The Performers Place 3.05pm–4.30pm info@theperformersplace.co.uk</p>

HELPFUL CONTACTS

CAMHS - Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service – helping with emotional wellbeing and mental health for children aged 5-18 years old. <https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/>

ERIC-Help coping with children bedwetting. <https://eric.org.uk/childrens-bladders/bedwetting/>

Family Lives -Co-parenting after divorce or separation. Free online help, or call for free on 0808 800 2222 <https://www.familylives.org.uk/>

Gingerbread -Advice and practical support for single parents <https://www.gingerbread.org.uk/>

Grief Encounter -Supporting bereaved children and young people.
<https://www.griefencounter.org.uk/>

Parentkind -Loads of resources for parents, covering many topics, including Common Sense Media; Fatherhood; Childcare Choices. <https://www.parentkind.org.uk/for-parents/parents-resources/parenting>

Psicon-A specialist team, offering the highest quality diagnostic assessments, treatment and support for Autism, ADHD and Mental Wellbeing. <https://www.psicon.co.uk/>

Relate -Get help with: counselling; mediation; supporting parent relationships; work place relationship support. <https://www.relate.org.uk/what-we-do/counselling/relationship-counselling>

Rainbow Trust -Support for seriously ill children and their families.
<https://www.rainbowtrust.org.uk/>

Safe Haven Aldershot -Drop in, 365 days a year for mental health crisis. 6-11pm, Monday – Friday; 12:30pm-11pm weekends and bank holidays.
Also available virtually using link: <https://nhs.vc/sabp/safe-haven-aldershot>

<https://www.sabp.nhs.uk/our-services/mental-health/safe-havens/SafeHavenAldershot>

Together for Short Lives -Family support team and helpline provides families of seriously ill children with emotional, financial and practical support and advice. Helpline: 0808 8088 100
<https://www.togetherforshortlives.org.uk/>

The Sleep Charity -Advice and support with bedtimes and sleep.
<https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/>

Winston's Wish -Bereavement charity supporting grieving children and families.
<https://winstonswish.org/>

Young Minds -A place of support if your child is struggling with anxiety.
<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/anxiety/>