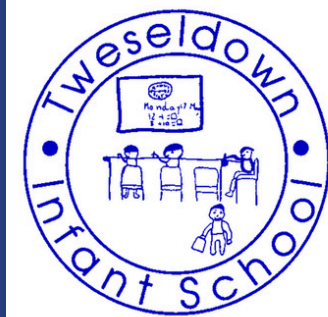
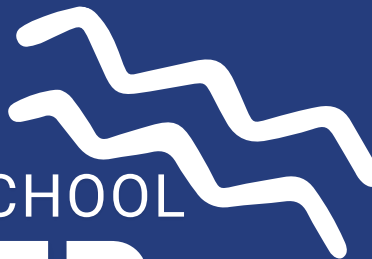


18/09/2025  
TWESELDOWN INFANT SCHOOL  
**NEWSLETTER**



### DIARY DATES

#### SEPTEMBER

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

#### RECEPTIONIST VACANCY

We are currently recruiting for a full time receptionist at Tweseldown. If you are interested, please email for further details

[adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk)

#### GUINEA PIGS

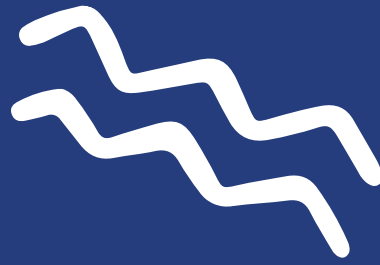
If you would like our beautiful Guinea Pigs, Bertie and Barry to stay with you for a weekend, please email the office [adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk)

We will provide all the food and bedding for their stay.

#### PLAY EQUIPMENT

Please note that our play equipment is not to be used by the children or siblings before or after school due to insurance purposes.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## TERM DATES 2025/2026

24<sup>th</sup> October - Inset Day

25<sup>th</sup> May - 29<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term

27<sup>th</sup> October - 31<sup>st</sup> October - Half Term

29<sup>th</sup> June - Inset Day

22<sup>nd</sup> December - 2<sup>nd</sup> January - Christmas  
Break

22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last Day of School

5<sup>th</sup> January - Inset Day

16<sup>th</sup> February - 20<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term

23<sup>rd</sup> February - Inset Day

30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Break

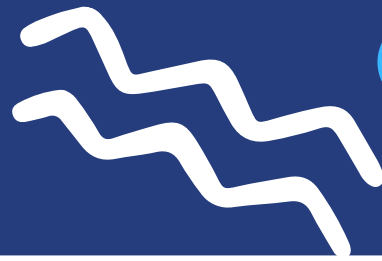
## BEYOND THE GATE YEAR 1

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

## RAINCOATS

Please ensure your child has a coat each day as we do take children outside to play even if it is raining.

# RECEPTION



What a brilliant first full week we have had in Reception!

We are so proud of how quickly the children have settled into school life and are enjoying their new classroom environments.

This week we have started phase 2 phonics. Please keep an eye in your child's book bag as we will be sending sounds home at the end of the week. Can you play I spy with any of these sounds?

In maths, we have been singing a range of nursery rhymes including 12345 once I caught a fish alive and 5 little speckled frogs. The children have enjoyed singing the songs and showing us the amounts on their fingers.

The children have loved exploring their new environment during explore and learn time. As a class we made a class charter which displays our school rule, the children are doing a great job of following this.

To support our learning next week, please provide a family photo by Tuesday 23rd September as we would like to learn all about our friends' families.

Thank you for all your support whilst the children settle into their new routines. As always, if you have any questions please chat to the class teacher on the door or give the office a call.



# YEAR 1

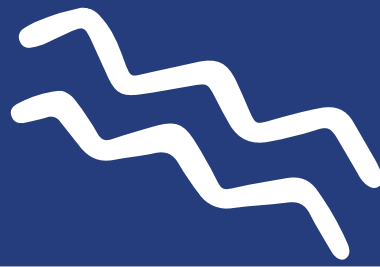
In Drawing Club this week we have been using our imagination and reading the story 'This is not a stick!' We have been turning our stick into swords, wands, fishing rods and all sorts of things and writing what our magic item does next!

In Maths, we have started to use Part Part Whole models to show our number bond knowledge. We have also started using double sided counters to find number bond patterns within numbers.

In the afternoons we have been enjoying lots of new Year 1 topics like Science, Geography and Computing! Can you tell your grown ups about each one?



# YEAR 2



We have enjoyed getting into the swing of things further this week. It's been wonderful to see the children build new friendships, tackle new challenges and be supportive to their new Year R peers.

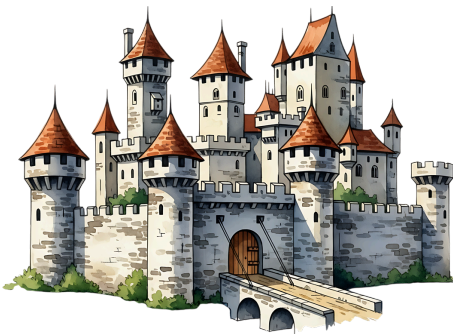
The children have loved being back exploring at 'Beyond the Gate' with Mrs Dear. She has taught them all about acorns. Acorns were also a feature during an outdoor maths lesson earlier in the week. The children counted the acorns in groups of five after organising them into arrays. Can you practise counting in twos, fives and tens forwards and backwards at home with your child?

In English lessons, we have been retelling our story of George and the dragon with a twist! Instead of George the mouse, the children have chosen a different animal for the dragon to be scared of. Can your child tell you about their new character? They have tried hard to use interesting adjectives.

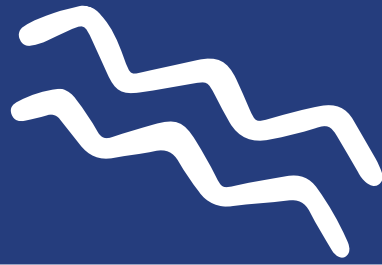
During computing lessons, the children have been planning a PowerPoint presentation using their learning in history about castles.

We have continued to discuss the colour monsters and how each emotion can feel, what it can look like and what kind of events make us feel that way.

It's been a busy, positive week! Thank you, Year 2!



# ECO SCHOOLS



## **Eco Committee application: Deadline tomorrow!**

Following the success and impact of last year's newly introduced Eco Committee, Mrs. Dear is busy making plans for this academic year.

If your child is interested in being part of the Eco Committee, please support them in completing the application form and hand it in to your class teacher by Friday 19th September.

Please read the separate email that has been sent out with more details.

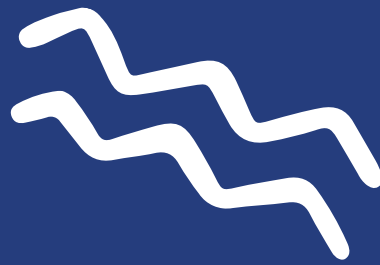
## **Litter Picking Loan Equipment:**

We have two sets of litter picking equipment for families to borrow over the weekends. This is a great way to get some exercise and time outside, as well as having a positive impact on the environment and local community. We know the families who borrowed the equipment last year enjoyed this opportunity and engaged in rich discussions with their children as a consequence.

To borrow the equipment this half term, please sign up following this link:  
[volunteersignup.org/47KE9](https://volunteersignup.org/47KE9)

Equipment can be collected from Miss Fewtrell on a Friday and returned to her on a Monday morning.

# BEYOND THE GATE



**Volunteers for Beyond the Gate:** To volunteer for this half term's Beyond the Gate sessions, please sign up by following this link: [volunteersignup.org/9MM99](https://volunteersignup.org/9MM99)

## **Donations for Beyond the Gate:**

If you are able to donate any of the items below, please put them in the yellow Forest School donations box in the front entrance:

Conkers

Pine cones

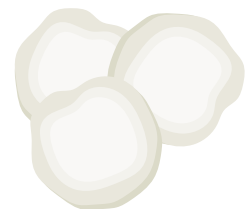
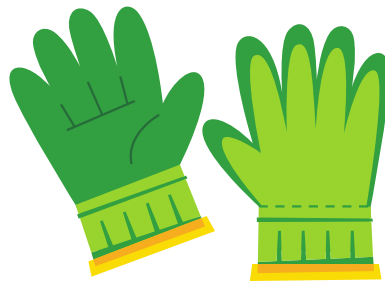
String and Twine

Children's gardening gloves

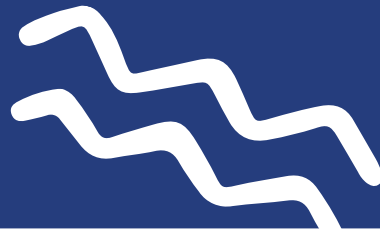
Second hand books with a nature and woodland theme (fiction and non-fiction)

Cotton wool

Kindling



# PTFA



Please join us for our first PTFA meeting this year on **22 September at 20:00** at Tweseldown Infant School. This will be a great opportunity to meet new people, find out what we do, and see how you can help.

After this initial meeting, we will have monthly Zoom meetings. Reminders of further meetings will be circulated closer to the time.

## **SECOND-HAND UNIFORM** – Date for your diary!

Monday, **29 September** from **14:45-15:15**: The first uniform sale of the term will be in the usual place, by the front of the school.

We hope to have our card machine up and running, but in case we have connection issues, we'll be accepting cash or bank transfers.

All items are £2 each, except for t-shirts which are £1 each.

## **NEW THIS YEAR** - PAYMENT BUNDLE FOR DISCOS AND MUFTI

Great news! We are offering you an easier way to pay for Discos and Mufti days this year.

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.

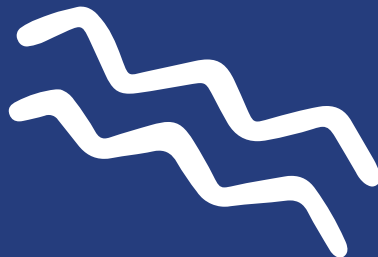
Name: **Tweseldown Infant School PTFA**

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



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# HART YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2025

After the success of the 2023 and 2024 awards, Fleet Phoenix is excited to announce that we will once again be celebrating the amazing achievements of the young people in our community at the 2025 Hart Youth Achievement Awards in October. With the help and sponsorship of local organisations, we would like to publicly recognise and celebrate the incredible work and successes of young people locally.

## THE AWARDS

- Volunteering
- Community Champion
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- Courage
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Each award has two age ranges (apart from the group award);  
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