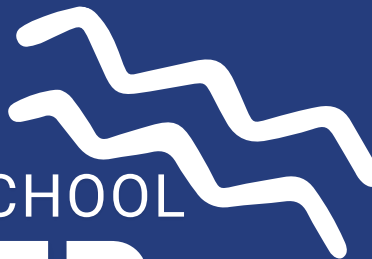


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NEWSLETTER



DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

12th February - Parents Evening

13th February - Celebrating 'Founders Day'

24th February - Year R school trip to Wisley

26th February - Year 1 school trip to Wisley

27th February - PTFA mufti day

MARCH

3rd March - Otter class assembly 9am

5th March - World Book Day

10th March - Deer class assembly 9am

TERM DATES 2025/2026

16th February - 20th February - Half Term

25th May - 29th May - Half Term

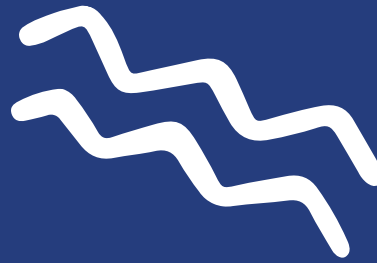
23rd February - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

29th June - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

30th March - 10th April - Easter Break

22nd July - Last Day of School

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



360 SPORTS EDUCATION - HALF TERM CAMP

360 Sports Education will be holding their fun and energetic multi-activity and football camps at our school during February half term. There are still a few spaces! Please see the flyers attached below for further information on how to book.

COOL MILK

If you've signed your child up to receive cool milk, can you please have a conversation with them to ensure that they are consuming this when at school. If they are no longer drinking this, please remove their subscription via the cool milk website

<https://coolmilk.com/>

CELEBRATING FOUNDERS DAY

Tomorrow, Friday 13th February we will be celebrating 'Founders Day'. Founders Day marks the birth of Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouts - We will be taking part in some fun activities. If your child has a Beavers/Cubs/Brownies/Rainbows uniform, they can wear it to school on this day.

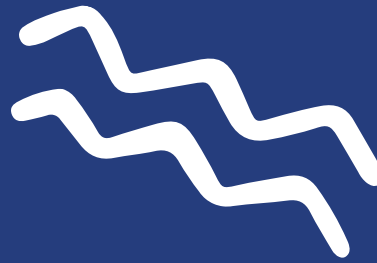
MEMORY MAKERS

Please can children bring in their memory maker booklets tomorrow, Friday 13th February.

TEACHER TRAINING - INFORMATION EVENT

South Farnham SCITT are holding a teacher training drop-in information event on Friday 13th March from 12-4pm here at Tweseldown. For further information, please see the flyer attached to the bottom of this newsletter.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



HALF TERM

A reminder that it is half term next week (16th - 20th February). Please remember there is also an **INSET day on Monday 23rd February**. We hope you all have a lovely week! We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Tuesday 24th February.

MRS MCFARLANE

Mrs McFarlane's last day prior to maternity leave is tomorrow, Friday 13th February. We wish Mrs McFarlane and her family all the best with their new arrival and hope she enjoys every moment of maternity leave with her new bundle of joy.

SQUIRREL PARENTS MEETING

On Friday 13th February, Mrs Tottem and Miss Saunders will be meeting with Squirrel parents at 2:30pm.

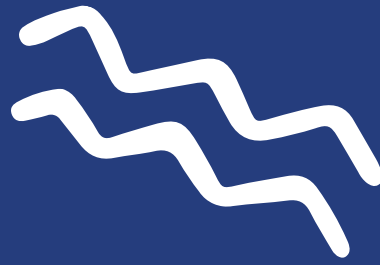
YEAR R AND YEAR 1 WISLEY TRIPS

The Year R trip to Wisley will be taking place on Tuesday 24th February with the Year 1 trip taking place on Thursday 26th February. Please don't forget to return the digital form and pay for this via Arbor. Thank you.

PANCAKE RACES

On Wednesday 25th February we will be having pancake races at Tweseldown! This is a fun event just for pupils. Frying pans at the ready!!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



MUFTI DAY

There will be a PTFA mufti day on Friday 27th February. Please bring £1 - Thank you.

SICKNESS

If your child has a bout of sickness and/or diarrhoea, they are required to stay off school until 48 hours after the last episode. Please do not send them into school before this as they will be sent home - This is to prevent the spread of infections. Thank you for understanding.

PARENT HELPERS - READING

We would really like to improve the reading skills of the children however in order to do this we require parent helpers to read with the children in school. If this is something that you are able to help with we would really appreciate this - it would make a huge difference.

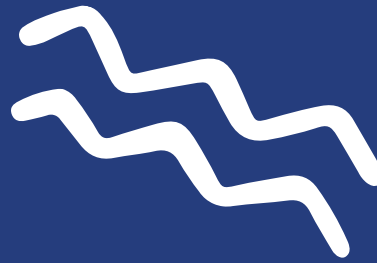
PTFA ZOOM MEETING

On Monday 2nd March, the PTFA are having a Zoom meeting at 8pm. Details on how to join this will be provided nearer the time.

OTTER CLASS ASSEMBLY

Otter class have their assembly at 9am on **Tuesday 3rd March**. This was originally marked on the parent calendar as 4th March - This is incorrect, apologies. Caleb's Coffee will be on the school premises that morning should parents/carers wish to purchase anything.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



WORLD BOOK DAY

It is World Book Day on Thursday 5th March - Please can children bring in an object from their favourite book on this day. Children are not required to dress up and are expected to come to school in their uniform. There will also be a special lunch for this day! Please see the menu for this attached below.

DEER CLASS ASSEMBLY

Deer class have their assembly at 9am on **Tuesday 10th March**. Caleb's coffee will be in attendance for any parents/carers that would like to purchase themselves a nice treat before or after.

PTFA SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

There will be a second-hand uniform sale on Friday 13th March, 14:45 - 15:15 outside the front entrance of school.

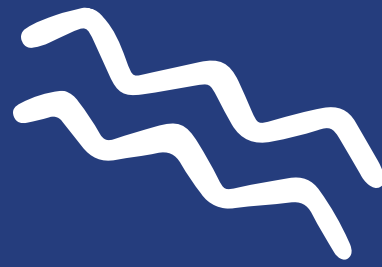
BADGER CLASS ASSEMBLY

Badger class have their assembly on Wednesday 18th March at 9am. Caleb's coffee will be in attendance for any parents/carers that would like to purchase themselves a sweet treat before or after.

YEAR 2 TRIP - KENSINGTON PALACE

Year 2 have a school trip to Kensington Palace on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th March. Please ensure you book your child's place and pay for this via Arbor.

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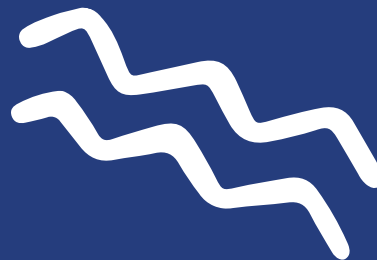
YEAR R CHINESE DANCE WORKSHOP

Year R had a wonderful morning at the Chinese Dance Workshop last week. They really enjoyed seeing all the beautiful Chinese dance props and learning a traditional dragon dance.



Congratulations to Birch house on reaching 1000 house points. You are able to come into school on Monday 2nd March in mufti!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Today, Thursday 12th February, was Science Day at Tweseldown. Miss Fewtrell wowed the children in assembly by performing a fun science experiment - making Elephant Toothpaste! This experiment demonstrates a rapid chemical reaction that produces foam, making it a fun and educational activity for the children.



RECEPTION

As we come to the end of another half term, we would like to say how incredibly proud we are of each and every child. They are making great progress and consistently trying their best across all areas of learning.

This week has been Wellbeing Week. We have had lots of thoughtful conversations about what wellbeing means and how we can look after both our brains and our bodies. The children took part in meditation sessions, practised breathing exercises, and reflected on what it means to belong.

In Drawing Club, we explored what makes each of us unique. We talked about how we all belong at Tweseldown and proudly wear our uniforms, but that we are all different and that is what makes us special! We also shared who is important to us in our lives, including family members, friends, and pets.

During our Maths sessions, we introduced comparison. The children explored the concepts of more than, fewer than, and equal to, recognising that objects do not need to be the same shape, size, or colour to be compared.

We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term. We are very excited for Spring 2, when our new topic will be Growing. We also have our upcoming trip to Wisley! 🌱

YEAR 1

What a whirlwind half term we've had and the last week has been super busy! This week we have enjoyed the story of Snowball and looked at what happened as he tumbled down the hill. The children have thought about what they would collect if they tumbled down the hill. We focussed on learning about plurals and how we add an -es to some words rather than just an s. The children worked really hard to spot the words that ended in s, ss, x, ch, sh, z and to know these words need to have an -es to make the word a plural.

In maths we have been applying our learning of odds and evens to two-digit numbers. The children began by recapping what we know about odd and even numbers and how numbers that end in 2,4,6,8,0 are even. We then had challenges to work out which were the odd and even numbers and looked at numbers like 14 that have an odd digit and an even digit. We have also continued our learning on two digit numbers and understanding how the numbers are made up of tens and ones and writing the corresponding number sentences. Can you practise when you see 2 digit numbers out and about? 43 is made up of 40 and 3 which is 4 tens and 3 ones.

Today we have enjoyed Science Day where the children have carried out a number of experiments and planned how to investigate these. We have been thinking about how we can help out the people in the local area. We have seen if we can help get rid of the mice that are sneaking into school and see how we can use bottles to send them far away. We have investigated which biscuits are the best for dunking in our tea, rescued creatures from ice, learned about our fingerprints and how they are all different and we have made boats and seen which materials are best for floating.

On Friday, we will be enjoying exploring our Memory Makers and will be carrying out a number of fun activities to celebrate Baden Powell Day.

Please ensure that PE kits are in school every day. With the British weather and events in school we do sometimes have to change our day for PE. Next half term, we will be having Beyond the Gate again. Please ensure that BTG kits are In school for the first week back. We wish you a very happy half term break and look forward to seeing you when we return.

YEAR 2

What a busy half term we've had!

The children have thoroughly enjoyed their learning about pirates; taking on pirate treasure missions, learning how to read and make maps and use a compass. And not to mention the amazing trip to Runway's End!

Also, the children's detailed letters of complaint have been wonderful in helping the characters from Dull-On-Sea get rid of the pesky pirates next door.

We have been very impressed with their use of grammar and punctuation skills, such as noun phrases, conjunctions, adverbs, exclamatory and question type sentences. Well done Year 2!

This week, the children have moved on to thinking about their own hybrid creatures with their science knowledge in mind. They have carefully considered their food chains and habitats and are now busy creating their own information pages about them. They are doing this in the style of the Dragonology book that they loved reading back in the Autumn term. We can't wait to see them all come together!

These ideas have inspired their artwork too. You will have spotted their colourful murals on the classroom windows which detail the creatures' habitats and silhouettes of the hybrid animals.

In Maths, it has been great to see the children using their multiplication and division skills and noticing how these calculations are related. They have been using this knowledge to tackle some tricky challenges and prove how they know the answer. We're sure they would love to test you on such challenges at home too!

Today, is Science Day in school and the children have been set some science missions to help the pirates for one last time. Throughout the day they have been carrying out a variety of experiments and learning about famous scientists. We're sure they would love to tell you all about their day.

Thank you for your continued support this half term. We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable break.

BEYOND THE GATE

Blog: Take a look at our Beyond the Gate Blog, which is updated weekly!

<https://www.tweseldowninfantschool.co.uk/page/?title=Forest+School+Blog&pid=277>.

Year 1 and Year R sessions: After the half term break, Year 1 and Year R will recommence their sessions. Please read the letter which has been emailed to you.

Volunteers: Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported the Year 2 Sessions this half term. To help Mrs. Dear plan for sessions, it is important that she knows how many volunteers she has well in advance. If we do not get adequate help, sessions may need to be cancelled.

The new sign-up link for next half term is now live so please sign up to help.

<https://volunteersignup.org/9MM99>

Donations: Mrs. Dear would be grateful for any of the following donations. Please put them in the yellow box in the front entrance:

- Cardboard tubes (the inside of foil/kitchen roll)
- Kindling
- Cotton Wool
- String or twine
- Craft pipe cleaners
- Bird seed (no peanuts) and fat balls

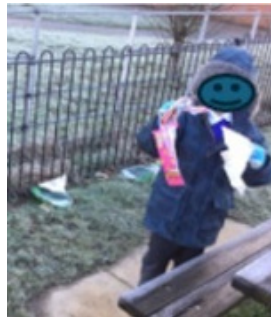
ECO SCHOOLS



Throughout this half term, our Eco Committee has continued to be busy litter picking around the school and the local area.

As well as helping the environment, this activity also allows them to:

- Learn about different materials such as plastic, glass, metal, card, wood.
- Learn to identify and sort recyclable and non-recyclable items
- Discuss the impact of litter on the floor and in grass or bushes
- Learn about magnetic and non-magnetic materials
- Identify which types of products create the most litter in our area
- Discuss risks and how to stay safe
- Practise road safety
- See unusual fungi growing in different places
- Discuss the difference between the words in the phrase "reduce, reuse, recycle"

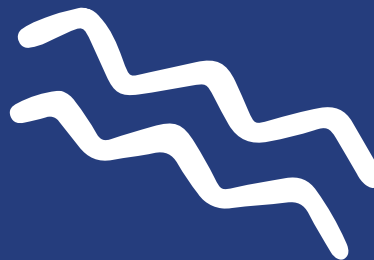


Litter Picking Loan Equipment:

We have two sets of litter picking equipment available to borrow over the weekends. It is a great way to get outside and have a positive impact on the environment and local area.

Sign up here: volunteersignup.org/47KE9

You can then collect the equipment from Ms. Fewtrell (Owl class) on a Friday and return it to her on Monday.



Upcoming PTFA Events & Dates

Friday 27th February – PTFA mufti day: £1

Monday 2nd March – PTFA Zoom meeting at 20:00

Friday 13th March – Second-hand uniform sale from 14:45-15:15

Saturday 21st March – Spring Fair from 11:00-14:00

Spring Fair – Saturday 21st March

Our annual Spring Fair will be held at school on Saturday 21st March from 11:00-14:00. This event raises vital funds for the school.

Come along to win prizes, have a go at the tombola or even have a bounce on the bouncy castle. There will be lots of fun and games for the whole family!

Tickets can be purchased via this link: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/tweseldown/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=112950>

To help make the event a success we kindly ask you for some donations. Many of these items will be things you already have at home. Your child should have received a form about this in their bookbag with slips to cut off and return with each donation. In return for each donation, you will receive a token on the day of the event which can be used for lots of fun activities. Additional tokens will be available for purchase on the door. We will need volunteers to help with this event, so please keep an eye out for the volunteer link which will be shared after the half term holiday.

Your School Lottery – New Link & Poster

Just a reminder that you are able to support our school via Your School Lottery. Tickets cost just £1 a week, with a guaranteed winner every week and a chance to win the £25,000 jackpot. This is a great way to help us raise funds for so many wonderful activities and resources for the children!

Please see the new poster at the end of this newsletter for information and a link to the website. Alternatively, you can access this here:

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/tweseldown-infant-school?utm_campaign=cause-page-social-share&utm_source=cause-page&utm_medium=social&utm_content=Hyperlink

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/>



February Half Term Multi-Activity Camp

New Venue: Tweseldown Infant School, Fleet

Dodgeball, Hide & Seek, Capture the Flag, Basketball and loads of fun team and individual activities for 4-12 year olds!



- Outdoor & Indoor activities
- Team & Individual sports
- Arts & Crafts
- Special Feature Activities, including Taekwon-Do, Dance and NERF!

Monday 16th - Friday 20th February

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NERF Games

Mon 16 Feb (pm)



Arts and Crafts

Tue 17 Feb (pm)



Taekwon-Do

Wed 18 Feb (pm)



Dance

Thu 19 Feb (pm)



Intro to First Aid

Fri 20 Feb (pm)

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February Half Term Football Camp

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- Game understanding
- 360 World Cup
- Goalkeeping, Attacking & Defending sessions

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Feast on words and stories this
World Book Day

Thursday

5th March 2026

‘Cloudy With a Chance of
Meatballs’ & Spaghetti

or

‘Dragons Love Tacos’

Vegetable Tacos with Rice &
Vegetables

and

‘Charlie and the Chocolate’

Krispy Cake



- FEBRUARY -

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Say hello to
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**Parsnips contain
starchy
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to keep your
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up!**




**Celebrate the season of
parsnips with us!**

INFORMATION EVENT



Considering a career in teaching?

Would you like to train in a school in your local community?
Come and chat with a member of our friendly South Farnham
SCITT team and find out if teacher training is the career for you.

-  Tweseldown Infant School, GU52 8DW
-  Friday 13th March 2026
-  Drop in anytime between 12-4pm

No need to book. Ask us about:

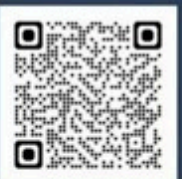
- Do I need experience?
- Which programme is right for me?
- What finance options are available?



FOR MORE INFO

 scitt@sfet.org.uk

 www.ssfscitt.org.uk





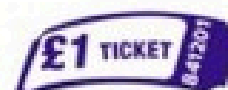
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Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

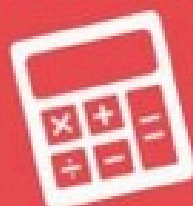
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The maths...



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