

11/06/2026
TWESELDOWN INFANT SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER



DIARY DATES

JUNE

12th June - Rainbow Run

15th June - PTFA Zoom Meeting 20:00

17th June - Year R Beach Trip

18th June - Year 2 FAST Museum Trip
- Year 1 Rainforest Trip

19th June - Sports Day

24th June - Year 1 Rainforest Trip

26th June - Forces Day

29th June - INSET Day

JULY

2nd July - Moving Up Day - Children to new classes
- Parents Visit New Teachers 15:30 - 16:00

3rd July - Moving Up Day - Children to new classes
- Coffee and Conversation with Mrs Tottem 14:30

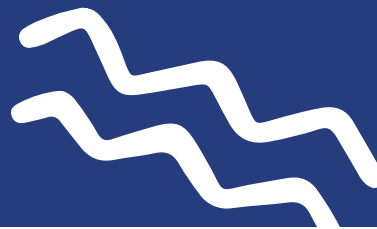
4th July - Fleet Carnival

7th July - Year R Peter Pan Workshop

8th July - Rocksteady Concerts

9th July - Year 1 Peter Pan Workshop
- Final Disco

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



2026

29th June - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

22nd July - Last Day of School

TERM DATES

2026/2027

1st September - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

2nd September - First Day of Term (Yr 1 + 2)

23rd October - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

26th - 30th October - Half Term

21st December - 1st January - Christmas
Holidays

4th January - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

15th February - 19th February - Half Term

22nd February - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

26th March - 9th April - Easter Holidays

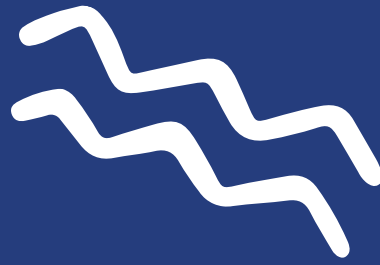
28th June - Inset Day (closed to pupils)

21st July - Last Day of Term



Congratulations to
Birch & Chestnut
house for reaching
1000 house points!
You can come to
school on Monday
15th June in mufti

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YEAR 2 FAST MUSEUM TRIP

Today, some of our Year 2 pupils have taken a trip to the FAST Museum. The other two classes will be visiting on Thursday 18th June. You must complete the consent form via the link that was provided on the letter. Without this, your child will be unable to attend.

Please also ensure all payment for trips are up to date - Thank you.

RAINBOW RUN

Tomorrow, Friday 12th June, the children will be taking part in the annual Rainbow Run. Children are invited to come to school dressed in any colour of the rainbow. Don't worry if you forget—blue school uniform still counts as a rainbow colour!

Please return your sponsorship forms on the day - any donation you give is very gratefully received.

PTFA ZOOM MEETING

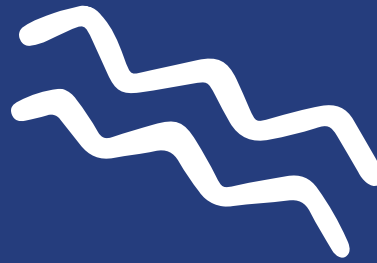
Our PTFA will be holding their next zoom meeting on Monday 15th June at 20:00. Everyone is welcome to attend. Details on how to join will be communicated by the PTFA.

YEAR R BEACH TRIP

Year R are looking forward to their beach trip on Wednesday 17th June. Please ensure you have completed the consent form for your child - Unfortunately they will be unable to attend if we have not received this.

Please note there will be a late return to school for this trip of 16:00

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YEAR 1 RAINFOREST TRIP

Year 1 have their Rainforest trip on Thursday 18th June and Wednesday 24th June. Please ensure you have completed the consent form for this and that payment has been made. Thank you.

SPORTS DAY

We are looking forward to seeing you at Tweseldown Sports Day on Friday 19th June. Year R will take part between 09:00 - 10:00, Year 1 & 2 will participate from 10:30 - 12:00. After this, parents and siblings are welcome to bring a picnic to enjoy with the children. Caleb's Coffee will also be on site all morning. Visitors will be welcome to use our library toilets.

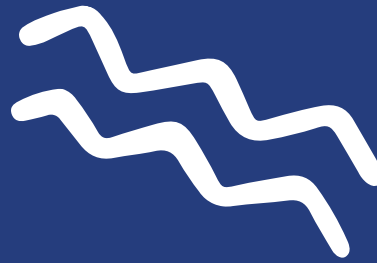
FORCES DAY

Friday 26th June is Forces Day. We have some fun activities planned for the children. The children can also come to school in mufti clothing of Military colours (camouflage clothing is also allowed).

INSET DAY

Monday 29th June is an INSET day - The school will therefore be closed to pupils on this day.

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360 SPORTS EDUCATION SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS

If you are looking to organise your childcare for the summer holidays - Look no further! 360 Sports Education will be here with fantastic activities that will keep your child happy and entertained! Choose between multi-activity hype camps and football camps that will be sure to engage and energise your child! Please see the flyer below.

MOVING UP DAY

On Thursday 2nd July and Friday 3rd July the children will be visiting their new classes. Parents are also welcome to visit their child's new teacher on **Thursday 2nd from 15:30 - 16:00.**

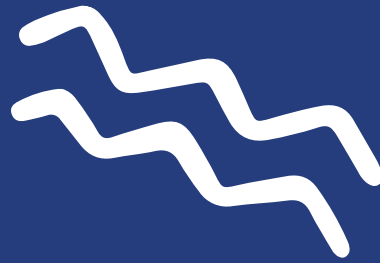
COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

On Friday 3rd July, Mrs Tottem will be holding a coffee and conversation from 14:30. We welcome you to come along and have a chat with Mrs Tottem.

DISTRICT SPORTS WINNERS!

On Friday 5th June, selected pupils joined us at Aldershot Military Stadium for District Sports. The children were amazing & showed great teamwork and resilience. Thanks to their fantastic efforts on the day, Tweseldown came first overall! We are so proud of the children for this achievement. We would also like to say a huge thank you to those parents and carers who came along to support them.

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FOOTBALL WORLD CUP

We are all really looking forward to the Football World Cup starting today and as a school we will be celebrating and supporting England on their world cup journey. Over the next couple of weeks the children will be making banners and other decorations to celebrate and as a special treat for all England games the children will have the opportunity to watch the highlights in school the following morning, given the late timing for many of the matches. If your child is interested in the country flags there is a great app called Flags Quiz that you can play along with them.



ROAD SAFETY



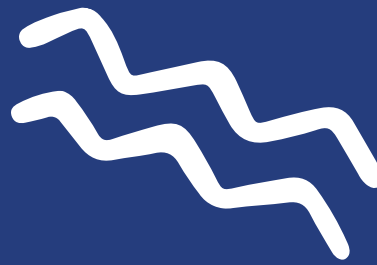
The roads around the estate and school are very busy. When you drive through, please keep vigilant as children are often walking or cycling on the paths.

Please do not park in resident parking spaces or block any pathways. We have two designated parking areas: the Memorial Hall and the Church on Bowenhurst Road.

MEMORY MAKERS

Please can you ensure memory makers are returned to school by Monday 22nd June. We will be having our badge ceremony for these on 15th July.

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This wonderful robot was created in the arts and crafts area of Starcare this week. Well done for such a super detailed design, we love it!

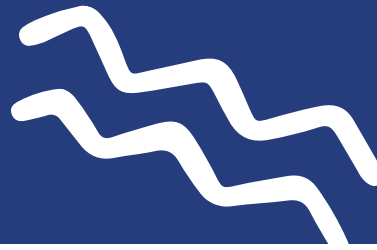
SICKNESS AND DIARRHOEA

If your child is absent from school due to sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must not return until 48 hours after their last bout. Thank you for your cooperation.

STARCARE

If you have any questions, queries or need to be put on the waiting list for Starcare, please email starcare@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD (HAF) PROGRAMME

We would like to provide you with some information on this summer's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme.

There will be around 18 HAF schemes running across, or close to, the Hart and Rushmoor areas, with each scheme offering a variety of fun activities and tasty meals for children and young people who receive benefit-related free school meals (FSM).

For summer 2026, a new central booking system has been introduced, which will make it easier for families to find and book HAF activities. The new system includes built-in eligibility checking, so parents / carers no longer need to use the previously issued HAF codes when making bookings.

Families in Hart can visit the [Hart HAF Booking Site](#) to find local schemes and register their interest, whilst families in Rushmoor can visit the [Rushmoor HAF Booking Site](#). Once registered, parents/carers will be sent an automatic email reminder to complete their booking when summer bookings open at 9am on Monday 22 June 2026.

Funded by the Department for Education, the HAF programme enables local authorities to offer healthy food and enriching activities for free to children who receive benefit-related FSM during term time.

HAF FAQs are available on the connect4communities website: [Hampshire Holiday Activities and Food \(HAF\) frequently asked questions | Health and social care | Hampshire County Council](#)

The HAF team can be contacted with any queries by emailing connect4communities@hants.gov.uk, with the subject line FAO HAF.

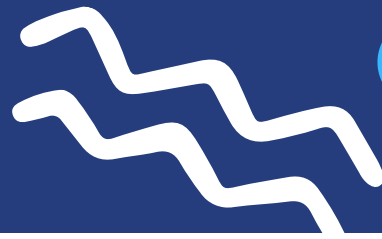
DISTRICT SPORTS



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RECEPTION



We have been reading the story 'Clean Up!' The children loved following Rocket's adventure and thinking about how we can look after our environment. We have discussed the problem in the story and how it affects the beach and animals and talked about ways we can care for our environment. We have been writing speech bubbles thinking carefully about how the characters/ sea creatures feel.

In Maths, we have been exploring numbers to 10 by creating our own number lines using space in the classroom. We have been creating our own number lines on the carpet/ tables and placing the numbers in the correct order. We have been challenging ourselves by starting to order numbers to 20 too! We have enjoyed making number bonds to 10 during explore and learn using the numicon to help us and writing number sentences to match.

We have really enjoyed our Beyond the Gate sessions over the past couple of weeks. The children worked cooperatively in pairs, taking turns to forage for resources while their partner waited patiently. Using wooden photo frames and a range of natural materials, they created their own beautiful outdoor scenes.

We are really excited for our School trip to West Wittering next week. Please remember to bring a hat, water bottle and sun cream.

YEAR 1

In English, we have been exploring the engaging book 'Dear Earth'. This has inspired us to think about how we can care for our planet. The children really enjoyed writing their own letters and used a range of descriptive adjectives to bring habitats and objects to life.

In Maths, we have been focusing on 2D shapes. The children had great fun spotting these shapes around the school, helping them to see how maths is all around us in our everyday environment.

In Science, we have been using our senses to explore the world. The children investigated what they could hear, feel, see, smell and taste and shared their observations with enthusiasm.

In RE, we have been thinking about what is special to each of us. The children created thoughtful collages to represent something that is meaningful to them and enjoyed sharing these with their friends.

YEAR 2

This week, the children have been busy designing their own fantasy cars — imaginative vehicles created to travel through the air, relating to our topic. They thought carefully about adaptations: snow tyres for icy mountains, giant fans for desert heat, floating wheels for swampy forests, and even rainbow boosters for magical skies. We then “travelled” to each location, explaining how our cars were perfectly suited to the challenges of the environment. The creativity and reasoning on display were brilliant.

In maths, we revisited addition number sentences, focusing on using number bonds, regrouping, and efficient strategies.

The children then stretched their thinking with reasoning problems, explaining how they knew an answer was correct and exploring different ways to solve the same calculation.

Our long-term science investigation continued this week as we added new measurements to our height and shoe size study.

The children loved comparing data, spotting patterns, and discussing whether taller children always have bigger feet. (Spoiler: not always!)

In computing, the children practised writing coding instructions using precise, step-by-step commands. They remembered how important it is to be clear and specific — a robot can’t guess what you mean. We saw some excellent debugging and problem-solving.

Our history learning took off again as we continued exploring the Wright brothers and the early development of flight. The children were fascinated by how determination, trial and error, and teamwork led to the first successful powered flight. We compared early flying machines with modern aircraft and discussed how inventions evolve over time.

Half of the year group have now enjoyed their school trip, and the feedback has been incredibly positive. Children returned buzzing with excitement, sharing stories about what they saw, learned, and experienced. We can’t wait for the remaining groups to enjoy their turn.

BEYOND THE GATE

Year One sessions

Year One classes will be having their summer Beyond the Gate sessions on the following dates:

Otter & ½ Squirrel	Deer	Badger & ½ Squirrel
Wednesday 3rd June	Friday 12th June	Friday 12th June
Wednesday 10th June	Thursday 25th June	Thursday 18 th June <i>*please note change of date as per email sent to relevant classes</i>
Wednesday 17th June	Wednesday 1st July	Thursday 25th June

Year Two Leavers Beyond the Gate Days

As part of their leavers celebrations, Year 2 will be having a whole day Beyond the Gate session on the following dates:

Wednesday 8th July – Kingfisher class

Friday 10th July – Woodpecker class

Wednesday 15th July – Owl class

Friday 17th July – Robin class

Flowers in Beyond the Gate

This week year one have been exploring and learning about the wildflowers around BTG. They have had the opportunity to plant some bedding plants in the hanging baskets and pots on the fence. If you are able to donate a tray of bedding plants the children would love to plant more!



Volunteers

The sign up link for Beyond the Gate sessions for next half term is now active:

volunteersignup.org/9MM99

There are still plenty of slots, so if you are unable to make your own child's session, perhaps volunteer with another class or year group! If we do not get enough volunteers, sessions may need to be cancelled.

BTG + ECO SCHOOLS

Blog

Take a look at the Beyond the Gate Blog on our website, which is updated regularly to share the amazing experiences and opportunities the children have in their sessions.

[Tweseldown Infant School - Beyond the Gate Blog](#)

Attenborough Avenue Pollinator friendly plants

We would like to add some pollinator friendly plants to the area at the front of the school (near the staff carpark) which we are developing into a minibeast area (have you spotted our minibeast houses?).

We would love some donations of pollinator friendly plants (perennials are ideal). If you are able to provide a plant, please hand it in at the office.

E.g: lavender

Salvia

Nemorosa

Hyssop

Nepeta (catmint)

Sedum

Campanula

Glomerata

Wallflower

Coneflowers

Year Two have planted peas!

Have you seen the pea plants which have been planted outside year two? Well done to Robin class who had success - we can't wait to see them growing stronger over the next few weeks. They have planted marigolds around them as a companion plant.



No Chair. No Treasurer. No PTFA.

We have just 5 weeks until our Annual General Meeting and need to find volunteers for these essential roles. Without them, fundraising and PTFA events cannot continue.

Could you help secure the future of the PTFA for your children?

Please get in touch by emailing PTFA@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk or alternatively, you can complete this short form <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=G9GCsUStgOCv85VzAlsixdG6PE6CmtBEnX7frk6VOd1UNlFINE5PODJHWThMT1gzMzBUV>

Support and a full handover, including a detailed document will be provided.

Upcoming PTFA Events & Dates

12th June 2026 – Rainbow Run

15th June 2026 – PTFA Monthly Zoom Meeting

4th July 2026 – Fleet Carnival

9th July 2026 – School Disco

15th July 2026 – PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM)

20th July 2026 – Year 2 Leavers Treat

Rainbow Run

The annual Rainbow Run will take place tomorrow, Friday 12th June. Children are invited to come to school dressed in any colour of the rainbow. Don't worry if you forget—blue school uniform still counts as a rainbow colour!

Please don't feel under any pressure to buy anything new; just make use of what you already have at home. Please remember to bring in your sponsorship on Friday (envelope forms were sent home last Friday). Any donation you can give is very gratefully received.

June Uniform Sale Cancelled

The uniform sale on Monday 22nd June has been cancelled as we've not long had a sale. If you are desperate for any particular items, just email PTFA@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk with your clothing request and we can have a look for you.

Fleet Carnival

This year marks the 70th Anniversary of the Fleet Carnival, and the PTFA is excited to once again enter a group of Tweseldown Infant School children into the procession on Saturday 4th July.

The carnival theme is “Music Through the Decades”, and our school will be celebrating the 1970s. To make it as easy as possible for everyone to join in, costumes can be based on party or sparkly clothes your child already owns—think fun, colourful, and groovy! We’re especially pleased that, for the first time, all three year groups (including Year R) are invited to take part.

If your child would like to participate, please complete the short form below by tomorrow, Friday 12th June. If you are able to volunteer during the procession, please indicate this on the form as well. We will confirm final arrangements with all participants in the week commencing 15th June.

forms.cloud.microsoft

Year 2 Leavers Treat

The PTFA are planning a very special afternoon of fun for our Year 2 leavers on Monday 20th July! We have some fantastic activities lined up to celebrate them and their time at Tweseldown. Everything will remain top secret until the big day, but we can promise it’s all inspired by the children’s own ideas!

T-shirts/Hoodies

A huge thank you to Louise Stibbs for stepping forward and volunteering to manage the Leavers’ apparel order. We really couldn’t have done this without you. Thank you for your help, clear organisation, and timely ordering of the clothing—we truly appreciate it. We’re all looking forward to the arrival of the goodies!

Tea Towels

One of the ideas suggested by the children in Year 2 was to create a Leavers’ Tea Towel! Each class will take part, with every child drawing their own self-portrait. These will then be collated into a special design featuring all their classmates. Children are in the process of creating these as we speak!

Tea towels will be available to purchase at a cost of £8.49 each. You can order your tea towels here:

[Year 2 Leavers Tea Towel Order Form – Fill in form](#)

PTFA

If you'd like to purchase one, please make sure your order and payment reach the PTFA by the end of the day on Friday 26th June. As we need to place final orders promptly, we're unable to process late requests or those without payment received by the deadline.

If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please don't hesitate to contact the school directly.

VOLUNTEER SCHOOL GOVERNOR



Make a difference in children's education in your local community

We are seeking enthusiastic, committed individuals to join our Governing Body at Tweseldown Infant School, a welcoming and vibrant infant school for children aged 4–7.

As a School Governor, you will play a vital strategic role in supporting the school's leadership team, helping to ensure that every child receives the best possible start to their education.



About the Role

Governors are volunteers who:

- Help set the school's vision, values, and strategic direction
- Support and challenge school leaders to drive improvement
- Oversee budgets and ensure resources are used effectively
- Monitor educational outcomes and pupil wellbeing

You will work as part of a friendly and dedicated governing board, bringing your perspective and skills to benefit the school community.

Who We're Looking For

We welcome applications from people of all backgrounds and do not require prior experience in education. We are particularly interested in individuals who:

- Are passionate about improving children's education
- Can think strategically and ask constructive questions
- Are able to commit time to meetings both during the day and also evenings

To apply, please email adminoffice@tweseldown.hants.sch.uk



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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.uk/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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Woodlands Walks 2026

FREE guided wildlife walks



Winter Wildlife - Saturday 17th January 10.30-12pm

Dawn Chorus - Saturday 14th March 8-9.30am

Signs of Spring - Saturday 28th March 2-3.30pm

Bat Walk - Friday 24th April 8-9.15pm

Bat Walk - Wednesday 29th April 8-9.15 pm

Canal Wildlife - Saturday 16th May 1.30-3pm

Evening Wildlife - Monday 15th June 6.30-8pm

Flowers & Butterflies - Sunday 26th July 11-12.30pm

Thorn & Heather Hills - Sunday 26th July 2-3.30pm

Bat Walk - Friday 21st August 8-9.15pm

Bat Walk - Friday 11th September 7.15-8.30pm

Bat Walk - Wednesday 16th September 7-8.15pm

Family Fungi - Saturday 24th October 11-12.30pm

Family Fungi - Sunday 15th November 11-12.30pm

Signs of Autumn - Sunday 15th November 2-3.30pm

Winter Tree ID - Saturday 5th December 2-3.30pm

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