



# Twyford St Mary's School Bell



Dear TSM families,

2nd May 2025

We have enjoyed glorious weather over the last week and many of the classes have taken the opportunity to take learning outside of the classroom, with some very interesting science activities happening around the grounds. With this lovely sunny weather we are now having, please can we ask that you apply sun cream to your child before they arrive at school in the morning and also remind all children to bring in a named sun hat and named water bottle. Thank you for your help with this.

Although next week is a shorter week with the Bank Holiday on the Monday it is an incredibly busy one. Sycamore are off to Portsmouth Historic Dock Yard on their school trip on Tuesday, on Wednesday, we are hosting our musical showcase event at the church and on Friday, Year 2 are visiting Twyford Prep School to take part in a recorder concert. Then on Saturday, we are opening up the school for a volunteer grounds day, further details of which can be found later in this newsletter.

I hope you all have a fantastic Bank Holiday weekend.

**Neil Tunncliffe**

**Headteacher**

## ★ Star of the Week! ★

<b>Ash</b>	Josie	For lovely letter formation during handwriting practice this week.
<b>Beech</b>	Benny	Using adventurous vocabulary in writing his poetry this week! Well done
<b>Sycamore</b>	Thomas	For his fantastic descriptive writing full of ambitious vocabulary
<b>Willow</b>	Miller	Showing brilliant enthusiasm towards all aspects of her learning and always having a great attitude!
<b>Yew</b>	Anna	For super perseverance and determination to master the long division method. Very well done!



## Roll of Honour

<b>Ash</b>	Ottillie	For persevering during computing when finding logging in tricky.
<b>Beech</b>	Winnie	Showing brilliant enthusiasm and team bee spirit during netball this week. Great calling for the ball Winnie!
<b>Sycamore</b>	Elodie	For showing great teamwork and independence when creating your group's Tudor timeline in history
<b>Willow</b>	All of Willow	Mr Hawkes wanted to nominate the whole class for Role of Honour for their amazing perseverance through the heat in PE on Tuesday, running right to the end
<b>Yew</b>	Ivy	For great work evaluating the recurring themes shown in an animated film we've been analysing.

### Summer Holiday Club – Book your spaces now!

We are excited to announce that our holiday club will be running again in the Summer Holidays! (There is no club in May Half Term).

It will be run by both Ms Newell and Mr Hawkes!

The club will run on Mon 28th, Tues 29th, Wed 30th July, Mon 4th, Tues 5th and Wed 6th August from 8.30am - 4.30pm.

£40 per child per day (10% discount for siblings).

We have a 72 hour cancellation rule for holiday clubs.

**Email the school office to book your spaces: [adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk)**

Please book your spaces now!



### Message from Hampshire County Council Road Safety Team:

The Road Safety Team are always shocked to hear how many children don't always wear their seatbelt, even as young as Year 5 pupils, so we are aware that this is such an important message and could save the children's and their families lives.

Below is a Sway link that highlights information about the use of booster seats as well as seatbelts and reminds parents of the seatbelt laws:

[Seatbelt safety](#)

### Fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Society - Thursday 8th May

Zara, Clara and Ayla will be on the top playground after school selling homemade bracelets and iced biscuits raising funds for the Alzheimer's Society. Come along and support them in their fantastic endeavour.



## **We need your help! - Volunteers Grounds Day - Saturday 10th May - 10am to 2pm**

We have a few jobs around the school and also Ballards Close allotment that would be great to have parents come and help us with!



From painting fences, to weeding, to general tidying. Please put this date in your diaries. Please email the school office if you can attend and also your 'preference' of job (ie: are you a keen gardener or painter?). We are very limited on tools, so you may wish to bring some with you too! Email the school office on [adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk) to confirm your availability! **Thank you!**

# **VOLUNTEER GROUNDS DAY**

**Saturday 10th May | 10am – 2 pm**



**Join us for a fun and productive day  
helping to refresh our school grounds!**

### **Jobs include:**

- Painting
- Weeding
- General tidying



**Children are welcome, but must remain under  
the sole responsibility of their parent/  
guardian at all times.**

**Let us know if you can attend:  
Contact the school or Becky at 07818 431944**

**Let's make a difference together –  
many hands make light work!**



**School Disco - Thursday 12th June - Tickets will be going on sale soon!**



## Diary Dates

6th May - Sycamore Class Trip to Mary Rose Museum. (Letter sent to parents 06.03.25)  
7th May - Musical Showcase (selected pupils only), from 1.45pm at the Church  
9th May - Year 2 Recorder Concert. 9.30am at Twyford Prep Sports Hall (9am Refreshments)  
10th May - Parents Ground Works Day, 10am - 2pm  
w/c 12th May - SATs Week  
12th June - Yew Class visit to Lepe Country Park (Letter sent to parents on 04.04.25)  
12th June - PTA Event - School Disco (Details to follow)  
30th June - Inset Day 5  
4th July - Sports Day (Details to follow)  
8th July - Year 6 Production Performance 1  
9th July - Year 6 Production Performance 2  
17th July - Volunteers Afternoon Tea (Details to follow)  
18th July- Year 6 Leaver's Party from 3.30 to 6.30pm  
21st July - Year 6 Leaver's Assembly @ School  
22nd July - Last day of Summer Term  
28th, 29th & 30th July - Summer Holiday Club  
4th, 5th & 6th August - Summer Holiday Club

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# Up and coming events in your local Church



## The Next Gateway 360 Children's Service

**Sunday 11-5-25**  
**St Mary's Church, Twyford**  
**Doors open at 4pm**

It is like  
Christingle  
without  
the  
Oranges



### Subject: What if I have doubts?

**Doors open at 4pm : Food 4:15 to 4:45 :  
Worship time 4:45 to 5:30 Cake and Dessert 5:30 to 6:00**

#### New Weekly Prayer Meeting

**Wednesdays at 9:15am | Lady Chapel, St Mary's Twyford**

You're warmly invited to join us each Wednesday morning for a peaceful, 30-minute time of prayer following the school drop-off. Together, we'll pray for our schools, our villages, and the people and situations that matter to us.

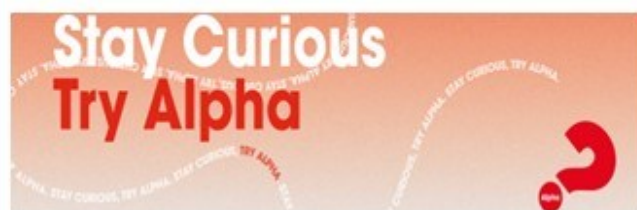
**This is a space for everyone in the community – whether you're new to prayer, exploring faith, or simply looking for a moment of reflection and connection midweek.**

**All are welcome.**



June 6<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup> we will be having 24 hours of Prayer in the Church. Watch this space.

#### Starting in September



**Explore life, faith, and meaning.**

Join the Alpha course – a series of conversations where you can ask big questions and explore the Christian faith in a relaxed, welcoming space.

**Everyone's welcome – whatever your background or beliefs.**

**Want to find out more?**

Email [admin@sdgateway.org.uk](mailto:admin@sdgateway.org.uk)



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