



Twyford St Mary's School Bell



8th November 2024

Dear TSM families,

We arrived back in school after half-term with a bang this week. Firstly, with the literal bangs and fizzes of the Twyford fireworks on Monday evening. I would like to say an enormous thank you to everyone in the PTA who gave their time and effort to make this event happen. Not only is it a great fundraiser for the school but it is also a great event for the whole community and something that creates memories for all of our families. We are so fortunate to have such an active and engaged PTA at Twyford and I am thankful to everyone who plays a part in it, no matter how small.

This was then followed by a visit from OFSTED on Tuesday. Unfortunately, we cannot share the outcome of the inspection until the report is published (hopefully before the end of this term), however I just want to say how incredibly proud I was of all the staff and children. The sense of calm and the school going about its normal business was so pleasing to see and gave the inspectors a real flavour of our wonderful village school. Thank you too to all the parents who filled in the parent survey and spoke directly to the inspectors.

Next week we have a couple of events lined up. Firstly, on Monday it is remembrance day and any child of a uniformed organisation is welcome to wear their uniform for the day. Then on Friday it is Children in Need and we are encouraging children to wear non-uniform for a suggested minimum donation of £1, with all money going straight to Children in Need.

Have a great weekend.

Neil Tunncliffe

★ Star of the Week! ★

Ash	Evie	For always putting 100% in to all lessons and for being a very helpful and supportive class member.
Beech	Paige	For her prediction skills during guided reading this week!
Sycamore	Louis	For his fantastic contribution to his group's instructional video about how to make a mummy.
Willow	Ayla B	For working incredibly hard in her maths this week and not giving up when faced with a challenge!
Yew	Ollie	For his choice of figurative language to describe a scene and convey a mood.

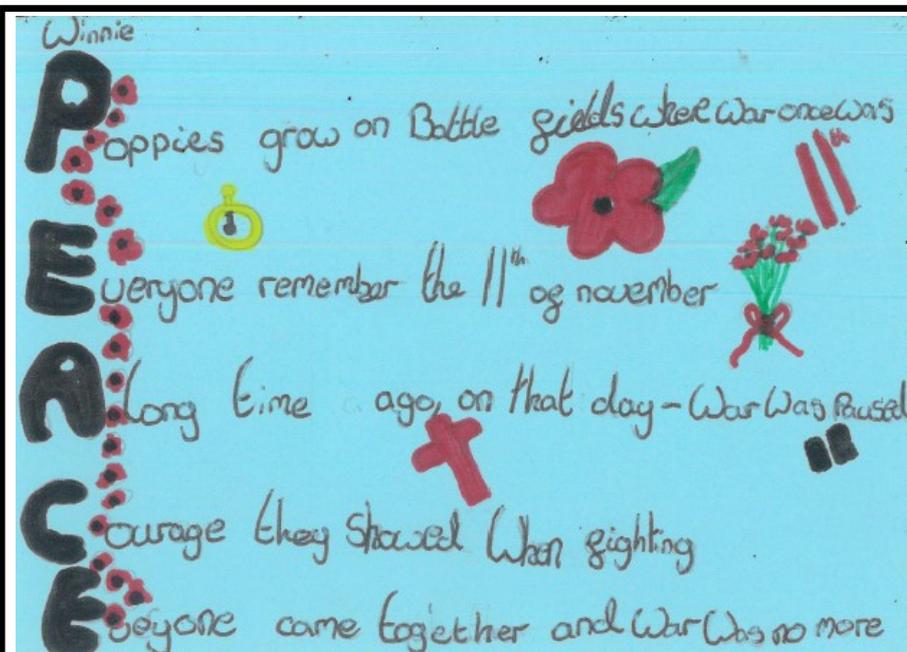


Roll of Honour

Ash	Winnie	For being 'Incy independent' in challenge time with enthusiasm and confidence.
Beech	Felix A.	For his team work in English- creating persuasive sentences!
Sycamore	Izzy	For showing superb perseverance when multiplying and dividing numbers by 10 and 100 – it was very tricky but you didn't give up!
Willow	Jack	For being considerate towards others and always willing to help those who need it.
Yew	Tobias	For being a caring and supportive learning partner; helping his partner settle in well to Yew Class.

This week in worship.....

We have begun looking at the theme of peace. On Monday we discussed some different interpretations of the word peace. We also discussed what the Nobel peace prize is and learnt more about one of its former winners. We linked this to the story of Jesus calming the waves and how we can always have peace in the knowledge that God will take care of us in stormy times. See below for a lovely peace poem written by Winnie, linking peace to our work on remembrance day.



Written by Winnie, Yew Class

Parents Evening—Tuesday 12th November and Thursday 14th November

Children are welcome to the meetings, or are welcome to sit outside the classroom with a book. Alternatively, we have the After School Club available to book.



Year 6 Calshot Residential

We all had a lot of fun at Calshot, from skiing to team swing to sailing to climbing - it was an awesome experience and lots of memories made! We would love to invite all Year 6 parents to come and see all our photos and hear some of our stories on Monday 25th November at 5pm in the school hall.

Written by Anna M, Yew Class



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Rags2Riches Collection - 26th November 2024

Bags will be coming home today in your child's school bags. If you are planning a clear out, the collection of good quality, reusable clothes at Twyford St Mary's is on 26th November 2024.



Remembrance Assembly and Poppy Appeal

The children of Twyford St Mary's will be taking part in a Remembrance Assembly in school on Remembrance day - **Monday 11th November**.

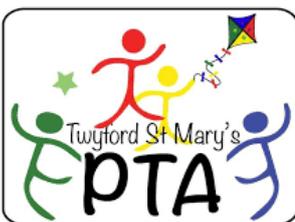


Children and staff who are part of a uniformed organisation are very welcome to wear their uniform on Monday 11th November. This could be Brownies, Cubs, Rainbows, Cadets or Beavers for example (no sports kits please). They will be allowed to wear their different uniform all day in school. If your child is not part of a uniformed organisation, they should wear their normal school uniform.

In the build up to Remembrance day, we will be selling Poppy Appeal items for the Royal British Legion charity on the playground every morning at breaktime. Please can pupils bring in donations in coins if they wish to buy a remembrance item (prices range from 50p-£1).

Children in Need, Friday 15th November - Non Uniform Day!

On Friday 15th November children can come to school in non uniform for a donation of a £1 for Children in Need!



PTA Update - Thank you!!!!

Our fireworks event went off with a bang! Monday's fireworks were a huge success. The vintage bus collected people from Twyford and Colden Common and it was one of the largest attendances we have seen. We sold out of nearly everything and the food was a huge hit. I'm pleased to say we made around £2300 profit from the event. Yet again Matt Riley and the fireworks team pulled off a spectacular display set to music and there's been lots of messages of thanks and enjoyment.

Running a community event of this scale is a huge team effort and I cannot thank those involved enough for giving up their time to make it happen. Thank you to all the parents who manned stalls, marshalled, shook a bucket and helped clear up - these roles are key to running a safe and successful event.

The fireworks wouldn't happen without Matt Riley and the fire team (some parents). We are very grateful for the time and energy they give each year. Thanks to Hannah for giving up her whole day to oversee and work the event. Suzanne, particularly for her support and for the buses. Thanks to Lenny for doing all the wonderful food. Sue for organising the new chocolate tombola. To the class reps for their superb organisation and to Rich, Stefan, Jo, Rev. Damon, Donna and Jo for their support.

I'm sorry if I've missed anyone out, but know you're all appreciated! Next year's event will be held on Sunday 26th October. See you there!



Diary Dates

- 11th November - Remembrance Service in school (Children of a uniformed organisation can wear their uniforms to school)
- 12th November - Parents Evening, 4pm-6pm. Details have been emailed.
- 14th November - Parents Evening, 4pm-6pm. Details have been emailed.
- 15th November - Children In Need Non Uniform Day for a £1 donation
- 25th November - Year 6 Parents Calshot Presentation, 5pm in the School Hall
- 26th November - PTA Event, Rags to Riches Clothing Collection
- 29th November - INSET Day 2 - School closed to pupils
- 2nd December - INSET Day 3 - School closed to pupils
- 6th December - Christmas Fair and Non Uniform Day - Details to follow
- 11th December, 10am-11am - KS1 (Ash & Beech Classes) Nativity Performance 1 at the Church
- 12th December, 2pm-3pm - KS1 (Ash & Beech Classes) Nativity Performance 2 at the Church
- 12th December - Egyptian Workshop – Sycamore Class (Letter sent to parents 11/10/24)
- 17th December, 9.30am-10.30am - KS2 (Sycamore, Willow & Yew) Carol Service at the Church
- 20th December - PTA Event, Elf Emporium - Details to follow
- 20th December - Last day of Autumn 2
- 6th January - First day of Spring 1





"It is like a School Assembly but for all the Family"

The Next Gateway 360 Children's Service

Sunday 10th November 2024
St Mary's Church, Twyford 4pm



Serving



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

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Birthday Party Catering!

Planning a celebration party and want freshly cooked food straight from the kitchen? Get in touch using the details below for catering services, so you can enjoy more fun with the kids and have less stress about party food and cake!



Christmas Cakes!

We're now taking orders for Rebecca's Soft Chiffon Christmas Yule Log and Carrot Cake - both with reduced sugar recipes. Cakes can be made to collect from the TSM school kitchen or for delivery within Twyford.

To order, Whatsapp 07493670690
or message @rebaker_wu on Instagram.



Pop Up Ensemble

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