



Twyford St Mary's School Bell



11th October 2024

Dear TSM families,

This week we had a visitor from county in school, who came to look at our wonderful new Year R area. Whilst here they commented on how well the new Year R children have settled into school in such a short space of time and that is certainly something I have also been pleased to see. I have also begun tours for prospective Year R children for September 2025 and again have received many positive comments on the wonderful and purposeful atmosphere of our school as we have been around the classrooms. Some of the work the children have produced as we come towards the end of their first topics has been fantastic and I know Willow class are very excited to share their creations with a member of the Jude's Ice Cream management team next week.

We have also begun planning and preparing for our Harvest celebrations next Thursday. The service will take place at St Mary's church on the 17th October at 9.30am and we hope to see many of you there. We will be also visiting the church on Wednesday next week for a rehearsal so please can you ensure all children have coats in school for the walk.

A reminder that next Friday we have the first school disco of this academic year and details on how to purchase tickets can be found at the end of this newsletter in the PTA section.

Neil Tunnicliffe
Headteacher

★ Star of the Week! ★

Ash	Ophelia	For putting 100% in all lessons this week and being a super role model.
Beech	Lily B	For superb exchanging in maths this week. You tackled this confidently. well done
Sycamore	Eliza	For creating a super persuasive poster about the achievements of the Ancient Egyptians
Willow	Henry	For being a positive member of the class and always being a team player.
Yew	Imogen	For insightful enquiry suggestions when planning an investigation on solubility of substances



Roll of Honour

Ash	Felix	For brilliant independence when changing for P.E. this week.
Beech	Fleur	For evaluating your writing in your 'found' poster and making it even better!
Sycamore	Aurelia	For fantastic independence when completing tricky addition and subtraction problems
Willow	Isla	For showing fantastic evaluation skills and being a superb mathematician this week!
Yew	Theo	For showing perseverance all week and trying his best

This week in worship.....

We began our new theme of love. We talked about the children's understanding of the word love and then we explored how showing love to others can make us also feel loved. We talked about the fact that God has enough love for all of us and we looked at the story of the good Samaritan and how it was an unexpected person that showed love to another by helping them when they were in need. In class worship we then also wrote prayers or thoughts that can be added to our school prayer book and shared at the end of a whole school worship.

Start of the School Day:

Arriving on time for school is **so** important! Children that arrive in good time for registration are able to talk to their friends before school and settle into the school day with them. Arriving on time ensures that your child doesn't miss out on the important messages about the day or learning activities that happen early in the day when they are most alert.

Set your child up for success and make certain they arrive at school on time every time.

Just to remind you that gates open at **8.35am and close at 8.55am.**

Any child arriving after 8.55am will be marked as Late.

We also encourage all Reception children to now start walking down to class without their parents. It is great to see lots already doing this!



Harvest

A gentle reminder that it is our Harvest Festival service at St Mary's Church on Thursday 17th October at 9.30am. We will be collecting Harvest donations in school from Monday 14th - Thursday 17th October, in aid of Winchester Basics Bank.

The Winchester Basics Bank website gives full details, however they are particularly in need of the following items:

- Tinned fruit (in juice)
- Tinned Veg and soup
- Tinned Meat (meatballs, chicken in white sauce, mince, curry)
- Custard, Rice Pudding, Jelly
- Jam, Honey, Marmite
- Rice, Pasta, Noodles
- Cooking sauces
- Squash & Fruit Juice
- Cereals & Porridge
- Condiments



Thank you in advance.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Diary Dates

17th October, 9.30am - Harvest Service at the Church

18th October - PTA Event, Glow Party Disco, KS1 4.15pm-5.15pm, KS2 5.30pm-6.30pm

21st - 25th October - Year 6 Residential Trip to Calshot

25th October - Last day of Autumn 1

28th, 29th, 30th October - October Half Term Holiday Club

4th November - First day of Autumn 2

4th November - Firework Spectacular, 5pm @ Hunter Park

29th November - INSET Day 2 - School closed to pupils

2nd December - INSET Day 3 - School closed to pupils

6th December - PTA Event, 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

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



In-Car Safety Information from the Road Safety Education Department at Hampshire County Council.

The Road Safety Team are responsible for educating young people and their families on the importance of keeping safe when travelling in a vehicle. Part of this education includes ensuring young people are travelling with correct restraints. Are you aware that 37% of children are in the wrong type of seat for their age and/or height? The Road Safety Team would like to share this car restraint leaflet with you to ensure you know how to always keep your child(ren) safe – in the correct restraint. There are also hints and tips about choosing the right seat, transporting other people's children and how to fit different types of car seat. To read this informative leaflet please enter the following link address into your web browser:

https://issuu.com/firstcar/docs/fc_parents_guide_v4_16pp_issuu_27baad3d346c52



We have a new Treasurer!

We are pleased to announce that Jo Bennett has agreed to take on this role, with handover in November.

Thank you to everyone who got in contact- we will be in touch with some ideas of how you can get involved.



PTA Event - Glow disco- Friday 18th October

Years R/1/2 4.15 - 5.15pm, Years 3/4/5/6 5.30-6.30pm

Tickets are £7 and include snacks. We will be offering children a little face paint so if you would prefer your child NOT to have this, please let the school office know. There will be some flashing lights at the disco and a quiet space available for those who need some time out. Please bring a water bottle.

Preferred payment for tickets is through www.pta-events.co.uk/tsmpta or please send cash into school with an emergency telephone contact number and any dietary or allergy information.

The deadline for tickets is Thursday 17th October.

Can your company help the PTA?

Does the company you work for offer match funding or have a charity giving scheme? If so, please get in touch with the PTA- we'd love to work with you. Email: twyfordstmaryspta@gmail.com

Asda is making millions of pounds available to every state primary school in the UK.



Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school to receive a percentage of their spend.

And that's not all — every time a customer chooses your primary school, Asda will donate £1 to your school's Cashpot, plus a further £50 when your first customer shops.





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

The Next Gateway 360 Children's Service

Sunday 13th October 2024
St Mary's Church, Twyford 4pm

Harvest Festival



Please bring food donations for the local Food Bank

What is Gateway 360?

About eighteen months ago, Gateway 360 sprang to life in response to children expressing their enjoyment of School Assemblies but their boredom with traditional church services. Gathering Twyford families from various local churches, Gateway 360 was established, holding services on the second Sunday of each month. It's an inclusive all-age gathering with a special emphasis on catering to children. The event begins with people starting to arrive at 4 pm, followed by a Food-Worship-Food schedule, with the worship segment starting around 4:45, mirroring the format of my assemblies.

On a typical month, we welcome over 30 children and their parents, offering a blend of singing accompanied by live music, games, prayers, and whatever delightful chaos ensues. Every child, accompanied by an adult, receives a warm welcome, with special encouragement extended to those with special educational needs to embrace their true selves.

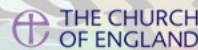
Why not join us and experience it firsthand?

Rev'd Damon Draisey



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

Benefice Office: Holy Trinity Church Centre,
154 Main Road, Colden Common SO211TJ
01962 715172 www.sdgateway.org.uk
admin@sdgateway.org.uk



Hampshire Music Service - Half Term Opportunities.

Over October Half Term, we have two workshops taking place at The Kings School, Lakesmere House, Allington Ln, Fair Oak, Eastleigh SO50 7DB.



MUSIC PRODUCTION
THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER
DJ & iPad Production Workshop
9am-3:30pm
Suitable for children in year 5,6,7 and 8
The Kings School, Fair Oak

Learn how to create songs from scratch! Learn how to record, mix, and edit music, using iPads and how to perform live music with DJ and keyboard controllers. All equipment provided.

REGISTER NOW!

WWW.HANTSMUSICHUB.ORG.UK/HOLIDAY-ACTIVITIES/

Music Production Enrichment Day

Learn how to create songs from scratch! Learn how to record, mix, and edit music, using iPads and how to perform live music with DJ and keyboard controllers. All equipment provided.

The workshop is suitable for children in years 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Below is a video about Music Production.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=REZwgHiGrls>

If you would like to come along, please sign up using the following link: [Music Production Enrichment Day - 31 October 2024](#)

For more information: [Holiday Activities - Hampshire Music Education Hub \(hantsmusicclub.org.uk\)](#)

Cost: £35

Musical Theatre Vocal Workshop



VOCAL WORKSHOP
FRIDAY 1st NOVEMBER
Musical Theatre-Pop Up Vocal Workshop
10am-3pm
Suitable for ages 8-18
The Kings School, Fair Oak

No previous experience required - just a love of singing and having fun!

REGISTER NOW!

WWW.HANTSMUSICHUB.ORG.UK/HOLIDAY-ACTIVITIES/

No previous experience required – just a love of singing and having fun!

This is a one-day vocal workshop suitable for children in years 3-13.

If you would like to come along, please sign up here: [Musical Theatre Vocal Workshop - Friday 1st November 2024 \(office.com\)](#)

For more information: [Holiday Activities - Hampshire Music Education Hub \(hantsmusicclub.org.uk\)](#)

Cost: £30

