



Twyford St Mary's School Bell



Dear TSM families,

17th January 2025

This week our Year 6 children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in their Bikeability sessions. After having their skills tested on the playground they made their way out into the village on Friday to put their learning into practise. There was some excellent progress made across the sessions and we are really proud of all the children.

Also this week, our new History timeline and Geography boards arrived and have today been installed in the hall. They look amazing on the wall and the children have been very interested in studying them. A huge thank you to the PTA for funding this wonderful addition to our school.



Next week, we have our parents meeting ahead of the Y4 Stubbington residential. You may have seen in the press that Hampshire County Council has currently entered a period of consultation to potentially re-purpose Stubbington from September 2025. This would mean school groups would no longer be able to use the centre for residentials. We are currently exploring out options for next year's Year 4 residential if this were to happen, but if you would like to give your view on the consultation you can do so via this [link](#) until the 10th February.



Neil Tunnicliffe
Headteacher

★ Star of the Week! ★

Ash	Hallie	For great improvement with letter formation during phonics this week!
Beech	Lyla	Always trying to stretch her learning and persevering with a challenge! Well done
Sycamore	Max	Showing incredible enthusiasm and passion for our topic on the Anglo Saxons and sharing his learning with the class
Willow	Sienna	Contributing lots of fantastic ideas in class this week and being incredibly helpful!
Yew	Jake	For his phenomenal progress in two sessions of Bikeability; learning how to ride a bike. Your determination was a joy to see!



Roll of Honour

Ash	Lara	For being a persevering pig during phonics with sounding and blending!
Beech	Joseph	Showing curiosity in his learning – sharing many ideas and questions during guided reading sessions.
Sycamore	Violet	Showing brilliant independence and perseverance when regrouping in addition and subtraction
Willow	Archie	For showing excellent independence with his work in maths this week
Yew	Quillan	For evaluating how to improve the description in sections of his diary entry in order to create more impact.

This week in worship.....

We have continued our theme on care. We discussed that in the bible Jesus describes himself as the good shepherd. We discussed the qualities of a good shepherd and then linked this back to the fact that we are the sheep that Jesus is referring to. We then discussed the parable of the lost sheep and why finding the missing sheep was so important. On Tuesday, we then looked at ways we can show we are being caring and thoughtful to others. Rev. Damon came in on Thursday to conclude our two weeks looking at care.

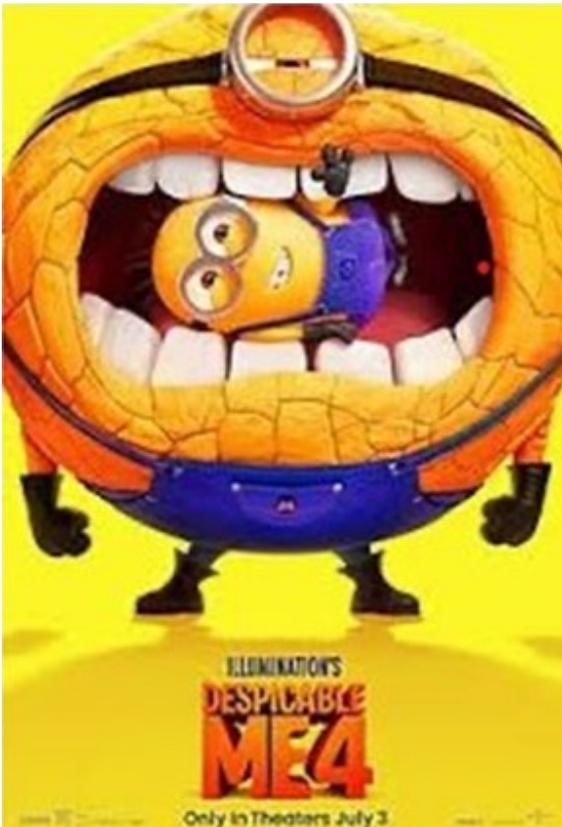
School starts at 8.55am

Please can we remind you all that **school starts at 8.55am**, all children should be in class by this time.

Being on time sets your child's day up for success. They can speak to their friends, get ready for learning and hear all of their teacher's instructions for the day.

Our gates open at 8.35am, so there is plenty of time before 8.55am when the gates are shut.





PTA Movie Night

The evening is open to all pupils and will include a portion of chips and popcorn during the interval.

Children are expected to bring their school named water bottle.

If your child has a medical condition or allergies we need to be aware of, please let the school office know.

Each child can bring something comfy to wear for the movie (onesie, jumper, dressing gown) and a small blanket or teddy bear
2 items only per child please, brought **in a named carrier bag** and taken to school in the morning with your child.

If your child has a ticket and is attending, you do not need to collect your child at 3.30pm as teachers will have a list of those attending and will take them straight to the school hall.

Tickets are £7.00 and can be purchased via www.pta-events.co.uk/tsmpta or with exact cash in a labelled envelope dropped to the school office.

We regret that no bookings can be taken on the day, so please do book your space early.

Please note that children will need to be collected by an adult and cannot walk home on their own.



Diary Dates

- 28th January - Years 1 and 2 trip to Milestones Museum (Letter sent to parents on 21/11/24)
- 31st January - PTA Event, Cinema night
- 3rd February - Young Voices Trip
- 11th February - Safer Internet Day
- 13th February - Yew Class parent sharing event 2:45 - 3:20
- 14th February - Last day of Spring 1
- 17th - 21st February - Half Term
- 24th February - First day of Spring 2
- 6th March - World Book Day, details to follow
- 17th March - Parents Evening, details to follow - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!
- 19th March - Parents Evening, details to follow - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!
- 19th March - Yew Class visit to Beaulieu (WW2 Covert Operations)
- 26th - 28th March - Stubbington Residential (Year 4s)
- 3rd April - Easter Service at the Church, details to follow
- 4th April - Last day of Spring 2
- 7th April - 21st April - Easter holidays
- 22nd April - Inset Day 4
- 23rd April - First day of Summer 1

Wind in the Willows, The Musical - The BEST Half Term Treat!

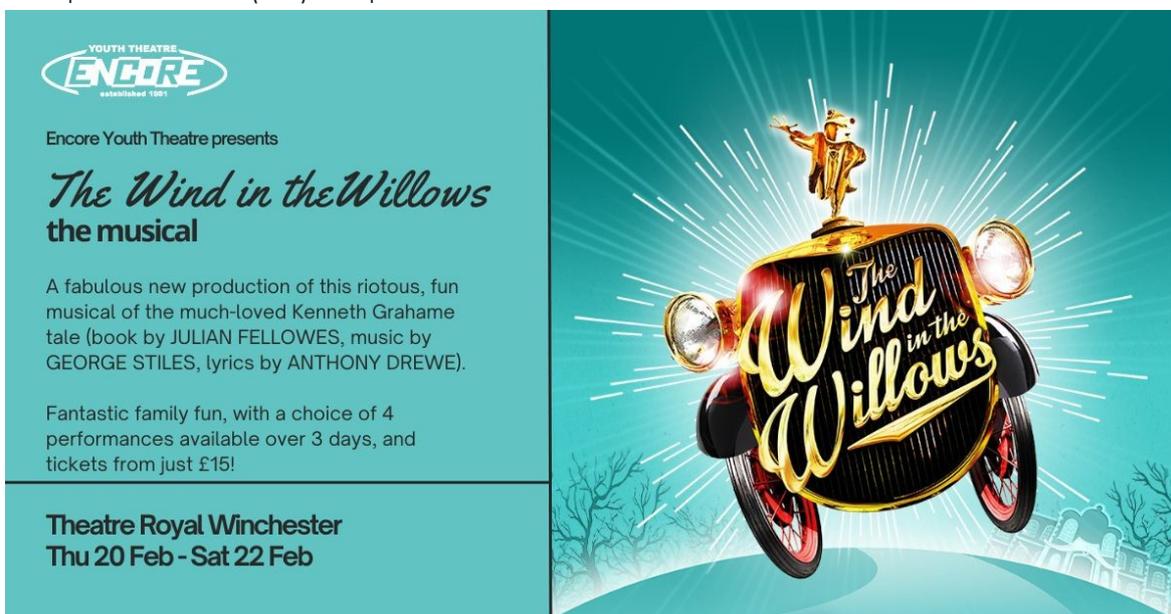
This delightful musical comedy follows Mole, Rat, Badger, and the impulsive Mr Toad, as they heroically battle to recapture Toad Hall from the notorious Chief Weasel and his gang of sinister Wild Wooders.

With a gorgeous, soaring score, and heartwarming lessons of friendship, this is the perfect half-term entertainment for all the family.

(Complete with TSM's own Flora Louth from Yew Class featuring as the youngest member of the cast - the little hedgehog!)

Tickets going fast so [grab yours as soon as possible](#).

Theatre Royal Winchester, Thu 20 Feb - Sat 22 Feb
Thu - Sat 7.30pm. Matinée (Sat) 2.30pm



The poster features the logo for Youth Theatre Encore, established in 1991. The text reads: 'Encore Youth Theatre presents The Wind in the Willows the musical'. Below this, it says: 'A fabulous new production of this riotous, fun musical of the much-loved Kenneth Grahame tale (book by JULIAN FELLOWES, music by GEORGE STILES, lyrics by ANTHONY DREWE)'. Further down, it states: 'Fantastic family fun, with a choice of 4 performances available over 3 days, and tickets from just £15!'. At the bottom, it lists 'Theatre Royal Winchester Thu 20 Feb - Sat 22 Feb'. The right side of the poster is a vibrant illustration of a classic black and gold car with a golden figure on top, set against a teal background with radiating light rays and a stylized landscape.



Otterbourne Theatre Company Present

Alice in Wonderland

January 2025 10th, 11th,
12th, 17th, 18th, 19th.



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