



**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Dear TSM Families,

It has been a busy week with our year 6's giving it their all in their Key Stage 2 Standardised Assessment Tests (SATs). We are proud of each and every one of them and grateful for the care and support the whole school showed throughout the test period.



#### **SATs Week 2024**

The following poem has gone viral online and was read to the pupils beautifully by Mrs Aitken. We wish to share it with our whole community as a reminder that we are proud that we celebrate the whole child at TSM.

*SATs don't measure sports, SATs don't measure art,  
SATs don't measure music, or the kindness in your heart.  
SATs don't see your beauty, SATs don't know your worth,  
SATs don't see the reasons you were put upon this earth.  
SATs don't see your magic, how you make others smile,  
SATs don't time how quickly you can run a mile.  
SATs don't hear your laughter, or see you've come this far,  
SATs are just a tiny glimpse of who you really are.  
So sitting at your table, with a pencil and your test,  
**Remember SATs aren't who you are, remember you're the best!***

Mrs Aitken and the whole SATs support team would like to express how proud they are of the pupils of Year 6. This is what they had to say after the tests were over...

**"Everyone showed great determination" "It wasn't so bad"**  
**"The breakfast was fun!" "The polo's were delicious" "I'm really proud of myself"**



## KS1 Clay Workshop

Ash and Beech class had a clay workshop with Laura Thomas this week. Year Rs made caterpillars, Year 1s made hedgehogs and Year 2s made Butterflies. It was so much fun modelling the clay and having the chance to make different animals. We used special tools to make lines in our models and even a toothbrush to stick everything together. Laura took our special models home to put them in a kiln so that they can dry. She will be coming back next week so that we can paint them. We love clay!

- Words by Ash class.

We would love to invite all KS1 parents to a drop in gallery of our clay animals on Friday 24th May. Please just drop in to the gallery in the school hall during drop off in the morning. We look forward to celebrating the children's wonderful creations!



## Ssh....Top secret!



After 24 years, Twyford Playgroup Manager, Pamela Lawrence is leaving at the end of this term.

To say goodbye a book of photos, stories and messages is being collated from children who have been through playgroup and their families. Paper and pens will be available in the Treehouse from Monday 20th May and collected the morning of Friday 24th May. Please can people share their thoughts, photos and memories on this paper, or bring in your own on A4.

A **surprise** send-off is being held straight after the village games on 9th June, details on that to come.

## **RSE information Session Years 3-6**

After half term pupils from Years 3-6 will begin a week of Relationships and Sex Education which follows the DfE guidance for Primary Education. On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 4pm in Yew Class, there will be an optional drop in session to view the Relationship Educational materials, and ask questions to staff about the curriculum content. If you wish to attend, please email the school admin office on: [adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk)

Kind regards,

Sophie Davies  
Headteacher



## Star of the Week

| Class    | Name          | Reason   |
|----------|---------------|--|
| Ash      | Leanna        | For showing the TSM value of Joy and care when completing her clay caterpillar!  |
| Beech    | Benny P       | For showing excellent patience - understanding our class 'six strand target' – making a brilliant role model in the class. |
| Sycamore | <u>Seb</u>    | For super focus and engagement in all of his learning this week and persevering through challenges.                        |
| Willow   | Fraser        | For great effort in his work on fractions, decimals and percentages  |
| Yew      | All of Year 6 | For approaching all the challenges of SATs week with calm assurance and determination. You are all stars!                  |



## Roll of Honour

| Class    | Name      | Reason  |
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| Ash      | Freya     | For challenging herself with her vocabulary choices in writing this week. Freya's informative writing been super!                   |
|          | Oti       | For great enthusiasm and knowledge when exploring the life cycle of a butterfly.  |
| Beech    | Aurelia   | For great effort and presentation in her RE work this week. Well done!  |
|          | Elena     | For her effort and focus in writing this week – producing a lovely explanation text about the life cycle of a butterfly. Well done! |
| Sycamore | Rupert    | For great engagement with his learning this week especially challenging himself in Maths and persevering with problem solving.      |
|          | Ada       | For wonderful motivation and effort in English this week when learning and writing about the <u>Windrush</u> generation.            |
| Willow   | Jack      | For fabulous improvement and effort in recalling his times tables.  |
|          | Elizabeth | For great effort in writing her Dragon's Den pitch.   |
| Yew      | Tobias    | For great enthusiasm for the Year 5 Amazon Rainforest project and working hard to complete the task.                                |
|          | Flora     | For her conscientiousness and helpful attitude whilst completing the Year 5 Amazon Rainforest project.                              |

| <b>Dates for your diary: Summer Term</b>                           |  |
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| <b>20<sup>th</sup> May</b>   | Willow Class Trip to Tudor House Museum (Letter sent to Parents on 21 <sup>st</sup> March) |
| <b>22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>   | Year 6 Parents drop in afternoon   |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>   | <del>Year 5 Music &amp; Drama day at Twyford School (cancelled)</del>                      |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>   | RSE Parent Information Session, Years 3-6 – 4pm, Yew Class                                 |
| <b>27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>                       | Half Term  |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> June – 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>                   | RSE Week - Years 3-6   |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b>   | Class Photo's  |
| <b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b>   | Cricket Match against Twyford School   |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | New to Year R Parents Evening, 5.30pm – 6.30pm   |
| <b>19<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | Willow Class Trip to Winchester Science Centre (Details to Follow)                         |
| <b>20<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | Year 6 Leavers Service at Winchester Cathedral (Year 6 pupils only)                        |
| <b>28<sup>th</sup> June</b>  | Sports Day (Morning)   |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> July</b>   | <b>Inset day 5</b> – school closed to pupils   |
| <b>5<sup>th</sup> July</b>   | Sports Day (Reserve Day)   |
| <b>9<sup>th</sup> July</b>   | KS2 Performance at the Church, 1.30pm (Details to follow)                                  |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | KS1 Trip to Gosport and Fareham Inshore Rescue Service (Details to Follow)                 |
| <b>10<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | KS2 Performance at the Church, 9.30am (Details to follow)                                  |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | Transition Morning   |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | Summer Fayre (Details to follow)   |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | End of Year Reports sent home  |
| <b>16<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | TSM Music Concert, 2pm (Details to follow)   |
| <b>17<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | Open Book Look, 3.30pm (Details to follow)   |
| <b>18<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | Volunteer 'Thank you' Afternoon Tea, 2.45pm (Details to follow)                            |
| <b>19<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | PTA Event - Pre Loved Uniform Sale, 3.30pm on Top playground                               |
| <b>19<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | Year 6 Leavers Party, after school (Details to follow)                                     |
| <b>22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>  | Year 6 Leavers Service at School, 2pm (Details to follow)                                  |
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>  | Last Day of Term   |
| <b>29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> &amp; 31<sup>st</sup> July</b> | Summer Holiday Club – book your spaces now!  |
| <b>5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> August</b>  | Summer Holiday Club – book your spaces now!  |