



# Twyford St Mary's School Bell



20th September 2024

Dear TSM families,

This week I've been lucky enough to spend some time in every classroom and share in the children's learning. It has been fantastic to see how engaged the children are in their learning and some of the incredible work they have been producing.

We also welcomed back the Christchurch team for their first visit this academic year. They told us the story of Jesus healing ten men and that only one person came back to say thank you. They went on to explain how this taught us how important it is to be grateful, even about the small things in life.

Please make sure you check the diary dates section later in this newsletter as we have now confirmed the dates of our visits to church for Harvest, the KS1 nativity service and the KS2 carol concert. On Wednesday next week, we are excited to have the Young Shakespeare Company visiting us to perform Macbeth to our KS2 children.

Finally, thank you to Theo's mum for the lovely new hanging baskets that she has donated at the front of school, they have looked especially lovely in the sunshine we have enjoyed this week.

Have a good weekend.

**Neil Tunncliffe**

**Headteacher**

## ★ Star of the Week! ★

<b>Ash</b>	Carrie	For being a kind friend to others and for always following the golden rules.
<b>Beech</b>	Jasper	For showing a super attitude to his learning and coming up with lots of ideas for his writing about a toy.
<b>Sycamore</b>	Rohan	For being a superstar reader and being able to use evidence from the text to infer how a character is feeling.
<b>Willow</b>	Zara	Showing fantastic enthusiasm towards her learning and always participating in our class discussions.
<b>Yew</b>	Jonah	For rising to challenge in Maths, particularly when solving tricky negative number problems and making up his own "What number am I?" problem.

## Roll of Honour

<b>Ash</b>	June	For being a team bee and always helping in the classroom!
<b>Beech</b>	Alice B	For super independence in her writing - choosing and using adventurous vocabulary. Great work Alice!
<b>Sycamore</b>	Harley	For always trying his very best and showing perseverance in all that he does.
<b>Willow</b>	Joshua	For showing real perseverance in his learning and taking the time to rethink and evaluate the effectiveness of his ideas.
<b>Yew</b>	Ruben	For being independent when retrieving answers from a text during Guided Reading and for having a resilient attitude in all lessons.

### This week in worship.....

We returned to our theme of community. We asked the children what makes the Twyford St Mary's school community so great and the majority of the reasons they came up with revolved around the people that make up the school. We then talked about the qualities we would look for in a member of our community and discussed how it was important to show these ourselves as well as look for them in others. We linked this to the story of the wise man who built his house on the rock saying we should build ourselves on the firm values we have of courage, care, joy and respect.

### Breakfast Club and After School Club

**Breakfast Club:** Please can we remind you that **Breakfast club starts at 7.45am**. We are unable to accept any children before this time.

**After School Club:** If you have only booked the first session (3.30pm-4.30pm), please ensure you have **collected your child by 4.30pm**. You will be charged for the extra hour for any late collections.

Thank you for your co-operation.



### Pizza Update!

Our Kitchen team have listened to our comments and have changed the pizza bases to an amazing homemade base! Mrs Emmett asked some of the KS2 children to try some on Wednesday and there were lots of happy faces!

### October Half Term Holiday Club—Book your space now!

Mr Hawkes and Ms Newell will be running our holiday club on Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th October. £40 per child per day. (10% discount for siblings). From 8.30am - 4.30pm each day.

Email the school office to book spaces!



## Scooters and Bikes - Polite Notice

Please can you ensure that children **come off bikes and scooters before entering school grounds.**

This is at drop off and pick up times.

There are lots of people around and accidents can easily happen.

Thank you for your co-operation in keeping our school safe.



## Diary Dates

23rd September - PTA AGM, 9.30am at Little Bean & Bar

25th September - Young Shakespeare Company production of Macbeth to KS2

30th September - New Reception Parents - Phonics presentation

9th October - Individual School Photographs

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

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 - book your spaces now!

4th November - First day of Autumn 2

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

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

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 - Last day of Autumn 2

6th January - First day of Spring 1