

#### Friday 21st October 2022

Dear TSM Families,

Thank you to every member of the community for such a wonderful start to the 22-23 academic year. It has been a busy week of trips and sharing events, including our Year 6 super residential to Calshot (pictures will be released in the first week of term and at our celebration evening).



Please use the half term for a restful reset and we look forward to seeing you all for the start of Autumn 2!

#### Harvest Haul for Winchester Basics Bank



A huge thank you for your generous donations during our Harvest Festival! Together, we have collected a large number of donations which have now made their way to the Winchester Basics Bank. Winchester Basics Bank also wanted to say a big thank you to TSM, as everyone's donations will make a big difference to those in need!

# **TSM Pupils Support the Winchester Graduation**

Written by Haydn & George F

On Wednesday some pupils from Willow class got the privilege to go to Winchester Cathedral to perform with the Winchester University choir at one of their graduation ceremonies. One of the songs we sang was 'when I grow up' from Matilda on stage to an audience of 500 to 600 people! We hope to be invited back next year.



## **Beech Class Twyology**

Beech Class have been learning about the geography of our local area. We made the human geography features and turned it into Twyology, with our own money, hotels, houses and playing pieces! We enjoyed collecting money that other players owed us. And moving our playing pieces around Twyford!



## **PTA News**

#### The Disco

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped at Friday's DJ Andy Disco. Your help is so appreciated as we all know many hands make light work!

A big thank you to Nicola as well for consistently putting together these amazing events for our TSM families to enjoy and fundraise.

#### **Christmas Raffle**

The PTA are starting the search for some Christmas raffle prizes!

Our fundraising this year is focused on further improvements and extension to our Key Stage 1 playground and a HUGE overhaul of the school hall!

We have also got some exciting new PE equipment planned as part of this project, which will benefit all of our pupils.

I know it's early, but we are keen to start organising our Christmas events so please, if you or a business you know can support our fundraising, we would be very grateful!

This specific plea is for businesses or individuals to make the bigger prize donations, promises or vouchers.

Smaller hamper donations will be requested in exchange for non-uniform day (more info to go home in November about that).

Thank you so much for your ongoing support!

#### Pre-loved uniform sale

The pre-loved uniform sale is on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November**. This sale will be a nativity costume and Christmas jumper sale. So if you have nativity costumes or pre-loved Christmas jumpers stashed away at home, you can give them a new life by donating them to TSM. Please can your donations be brought in to school over the coming weeks.



### Bag2School

A reminder that the next Bag2School collection is **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> of November**. The following items are accepted into the bags for reuse: good quality clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels. They cannot accept duvets, pillows, cushions or any school/work uniforms.

#### A leaflet from Bag2School will have gone out this week with instructions.

#### **Sickness Bug/Gastroenteritis**

We would like parents to be aware that this week there has been a significant increase in children going home ill due to vomiting and/or diarrhoea. This particular bug seems to be causing the additional symptom of stomach cramps. Teachers have spoken to the children about the importance of washing hands, hygiene and not sharing any drinks or food products.



Please can we remind parents and carers to abide by the 48hr rule, keeping children away from school for 48hrs following the last episode of vomiting and/or diarrhoea, and ensuring your child has kept down a meal before returning to school. This helps us immensely in keeping the classes and staff safe and healthy.

### Open Days - Yr R Admission 2023/24

If you have a child at the school that has a younger sibling due to start Yr R next academic year, you are welcome to attend an open day (see website for dates and times). If you are interested, please get in touch with the school admin team.

Warm wishes,

Sophie Davies Headteacher



# Star of the Week

Class	Name	Reason
Ash	Lily	For showing perseverance and independence when
		completing repeating patterns.
Beech	Lowen	For being super focused on his learning <u>ALL</u> week, using nouns and adjectives to write an autumnal poem and being an Incy Independent when investigating halves in maths. Well done Lowen!
Sycamore	Quillan	For his insightful contributions to class discussions and his enthusiasm for all of his learning.
Willow	Ruben	For showing excellent focus and care when publishing his narrative excerpt writing.
Yew	All of Y6	For displaying excellent teamwork, enthusiasm and behaviour at Calshot this week.



# **Roll of Honour**

Class	Name	Reason
Ash	Aoife	For independently writing a brilliant helicopter story.
	Ned	For excellent concentration and participation in phonics!
Beech	Ben	For being a good team player and for his Twyopoly success!
	Xanthe	For always being a superb role model to others!
Sycamore	Freddie	For his amazing effort when writing his Egyptian story and subtracting on a number line in Maths this week.
	Guy	For his wonderfully presented and engaging Egyptian story this week.
Willow	Tobias	For excellent focus and enthusiasm when singing with the Winchester Graduation choir.
	Daisy	For always being such an excellent role model for learning in Willow class!
Yew	All of the Y5s joining Willow	For joining in and showing our school values and their fantastic learning!

# Dates for your diary

Autumn Term		
24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>Half Term</u>	
31 <sup>st</sup> October	First day back	

1 <sup>st</sup> November	Parents' Evening 4-6pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Bag2School Collection
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Bonfire Lunch
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Service (in school event)
25 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Pre-loved Uniform Sale, 3.30pm on the Top Playground
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	PTA Movie Night
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Enterprise Week commences
9 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fair
13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Service - 9.30am at St. Mary's Church
14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity Performance - 14th 2pm at St. Mary's Church
15 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity Performance - 9.30am at St. Mary's Church
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper/Lunch Day
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of Autumn Term



### **Church Corner**

Don't forget the upcoming events with St Mary's Church!

Upcoming Events at St Mary's Church		
Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month	Gateway 360 4.00 – 6.00pm (see Flyer below)	

