

25th October 2024

Dear TSM families,

Although this has been the longest half-term of the school year it has also flown by. So much has taken place over the last eight weeks and the children have produced some fantastic work. Thank you also to all of the parent community for making me feel so welcome at TSM.

Last Friday evening, we had our fantastic glow disco. Thank you to the PTA for organising such a wonderful event for the children and also for DJ Rev. Damon for providing the music and lights. The children had a super time and looked great with their glow face paints.

This week our Year 6 children have been on their residential to Calshot and have been having an amazing time. They have taken part in a huge range of activities including kayaking, ringos, cycling, climbing, skiing and snowboarding. I am sure they will all arrive back on Friday exhausted and very ready for the half-term break. Thank you to all the staff that have given up their own time to facilitate the children having such a memorable experience. It was also lovely to welcome so many parents to the Sycamore museum on Thursday. I had a sneak preview before the museum opened and was so impressed by both the masks the children had created but also the stories they had written.

I hope you all have a fantastic half-term break and enjoy some well deserved rest. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 4th November

Neil Tunnicliffe

Headteacher



Star of the Week!



Ash	June	For exceptional participation in Geography lessons this week!
Beech	Ned S	Effort and perseverance in his handwriting all week well done!
Sycamore	Мах	For creating an incredible story complete with detailed illustration, adventurous word choices and beautiful handwriting
Willow	Samuel	For putting 100% into all he does and being always being incredibly diligent with his learning.
Yew	All of Year 6!	Being absolute superstars this week on your residential! It was lovely to see so many of the school values in action and your development over the week.



Roll of Honour

Ash	Molly	For helping a classmate when they were stuck when writing letters this week.
Beech	Oliver	Being a fabulous team bee - working collaboratively to design and make a Sukkah in RE learning.
Sycamore	Lola	For independently creating a beautiful Ancient Egyptian death mask
Willow	Gabriel	For being a great independent learner and following instructions well in class.
Yew	Maggie	For her enthusiasm when participating in all the work around the Hampshire Illustrated Book Awards and for independence and originality when writing an instructional poem 'How to make a butterfly.'

This week in worship......

We have concluded our theme of Love. On Tuesday, Miss Whitehead talked to the children about unconditional love. She explored how some people, such as our family members love us unconditionally. We then talked about God also loved us unconditionally. On Wednesday, we welcomed the team from Christchurch back into school for their monthly worship with us. Finally on Thursday Rev Damon came into school to conclude the series.

Ordering of School Photos



The last order date for ordering school photographs for school delivery is

5th November!

Parents Evening—Tuesday 12th November and Thursday 14th November

Emails have been sent out this week with full details on how to book your parents evening sessions with your child's teacher. Children are welcome to the meetings, or are welcome to sit outside the classroom with a book. Alternatively, we have the After School Club available to book.



School Dinner Menus

The new menus for the next half term are now available to view on our website:



https://twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk/parents/school-lunches/



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.

Rags2Riches Collection - 26th November 2024

If you are planning a clear out during Half Term, the collection of good quality, reusable clothes at Twyford St Mary's Church of England Primary School is in 5 weeks time on 26th November 2024.





Christmas Cards - Order by 4th November!

Christmas Card Order forms has been sent out this week.

Closing date to order your Christmas Cards is 12 Noon on Monday 4th of November 2024

Remembrance Assembly and Poppy Appeal

The children of Twyford St Mary's will be taking part in a Remembrance Assembly in school on Remembrance day - **Monday 11th November**.



Children and staff who are part of a uniformed organisation are very welcome to wear their uniform on Monday 11th November. This could be Brownies, Cubs, Rainbows, Cadets or Beavers for example (no sports kits please). They will be allowed to wear their different uniform all day in school. If your child is not part of a uniformed organisation, they should wear their normal school uniform.

In the build up to Remembrance day, we will be selling Poppy Appeal items for the Royal British Legion charity on the playground every morning at breaktime. Please can pupils bring in donations in coins if they wish to buy a remembrance item (prices range from 50p-£1).

Children in Need, Friday 15th November - Non Uniform Day!

On Friday 15th November children can come to school in non uniform for a donation of a £1 for Children in Need!





Diary Dates

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

4th November - Christmas Card ordering deadline

5th November - Photo ordering deadline

11th November - Remembrance Service in school (Children of a uniformed organisation can wear their uniforms to school)

12th November - Parents Evening, 4pm-6pm. Details have been emailed.

14th November - Parents Evening, 4pm-6pm. Details have been emailed.

15th November - Children In Need Non Uniform Day for a £1 donation

26th November - PTA Event, Rags to Riches Clothing Collection - Details to follow

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

12th December - Egyptian Workshop – Sycamore Class (Letter sent to parents 11/10/24)

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







MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

Gates open 17:00 - Fireworks 18:30 Hunter Park, Twyford

Free Bus Service



for Colden Common and Northfields

provided by Friends of King Alfred Buses

Further details and updates can be found at:https://facebook.com/events/s/a-night-of-dazzling-lightsand/3067407543402388





Birthday Party Catering!

Planning a celebration party and want freshly cooked food straight from the kitchen? Get in touch using the details below for catering services, so you can enjoy more fun with the kids and have less stress about party food and cake!





Christmas Cakes!

We're now taking orders for Rebecca's Soft Chiffon Christmas Yule Log and Carrot Cake - both with reduced sugar recipes. Cakes can be made to collect from the TSM school kitchen or for delivery within Twyford.

To order, Whatsapp 07493670690 or message @rebaker_wu on Instagram.

