



Tackley C of E Primary School

Newsletter Spring Term Issue 1

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Thursday 11th January 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all. It promises to be another exciting term with a host of sporting events, an RE curriculum week, the launch of our Prayer Space and a visit from Mike Mullen the 2017 UK BMX Pro Halfpipe Champion.

Our value this term is respect and we are re-visiting classes our learning behaviours that we set out for our school in September of respect, responsibility and aspiration.

Keep an eye on the website for updates about what is happening in your child's class, and photos of events as they happen in school.

We are all looking forward to a happy, healthy and productive start to 2018.

Mrs Murrey

Well done to

Learning Power Certificates	
Angelo C Millie O'S	Daisy E Aeris W



Stars of the Week	
Florence H Alex C	Noah Ha Noah G

Attendance

Congratulations to the 21 children who achieved 100% attendance in the Autumn Term. Our whole school attendance target is 97% for this year. Please help us to achieve this through encouraging good attendance by attending school by 8:45 each morning on time and ready to start the day.

Attendance	Dec 2017	Autumn Term
Whole School	94.1%	96.1%
Medcroft Class	90.6%	93.3%
Nethercote Class	91.7%	95.6%
Harborne Class	96.7%	96.9%
Rousham Class	95.6%	97.3%

Focus on Medcroft Class

It has been lovely to see all the children returning to Medcroft class after their exciting Christmas break. Everyone had lots of news to tell and we all had fun talking about the things we had enjoyed during our holiday. The Year One children wrote some great pieces of writing, following on from these discussions. The children have loved reading some of the wonderful new books we have in our classroom and are particularly enjoying reading about the adventures of Supertato. The children have designed their own Supertatos and are now writing their own stories about the vegetable superhero and the evil pea! We are going to make some vegetable soup using some of the vegetables in the story and look at healthy eating and healthy lifestyles following on from this.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your donations on our Christmas Jumper Day at the end of last term, we raised £57.20 for the Save The Children Charity.

KS2 Christmas Celebration Concerts

On Thursday 16th December, Key Stage Two performed a varied and entertaining Christmas Celebration. We had rocking recorders, superb singing and perfect poems. The audience joined in with our jazzy songs too and we all had a fabulous time.
By Daisy C and Kane B.

Jigsaw and Lego Club

Mrs Skinner will be running a Jigsaw and Lego club this term at lunchtimes. Children will be invited to join this by Mrs Skinner.

Music Club

Miss Murphy's Music club will be on Thursdays starting w/c 15th January and letters will be sent out today with those children who wish to join. Please ensure all letters are returned to the school office by Tuesday 16th January.

School Meal Menu Change—Thursday 18th January 2018

Main : Hotdogs or Vegetarian Hotdogs - both with sweetcorn and broccoli

Dessert : Chocolate sponge and chocolate custard

Our school meal funding for the next financial year is based on the number of children in reception, year 1 and year 2, who have a school meal with us on Thursday 18th January. Please support the school by encouraging your child to have a school meal on this day. There is no charge for school meals for these year groups as they are funded by the Government.

Year 5/6 Yenworthy Residential - 26th February to 2nd March 2018

Earlier this week we sent our reminders of outstanding payments for this exciting trip. Full payment for the trip is due by 9th February. Payment can be made via ParentPay or by cash or cheque (made payable to Tackley C of E Primary School) via the school office. Parents are invited to an information meeting at 3:15 on Wednesday 7th February in school. Please put this date in your diary if your child is taking part.

ParentPay payments

Please can this be a gentle reminder to check your Parent Pay balance weekly and ensure that you are up to date with all of your school meal and trip payments. By regularly checking your balance and keeping up to date with payments it allows us to work more efficiently in the school office.

Admissions Policy

We currently are consulting on new admissions arrangements for September 2019. The draft admissions policy is available on our website at www.tackley.oxon.sch.uk under School information and policies.

Starting School - Primary - September 2018

The closing date for Primary School application is 15th January 2018. If you know any parents who are considering sending their child to Tackley please ask them to contact the School Office to arrange a visit. Further information for parents is available at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

PTA

We had our first PTA meeting of 2018 this week and have some dates for your diaries:

The Horse Show: 29th April 2018 — as usual we will need hoards of volunteers to put the dropped jumps back up. We will ask you to commit to a time slot, just an hour, closer to the time, and in return the school will receive a generous donation.

A Right Royal Spring Fling: 19th May 2018 (details to follow)

Summer Fete: 7th July 2018—after last year’s huge success, we are planning something even bigger and better this year. (Details will follow)

Please put these dates in your diaries and join us to help support our school. Thank you.

Future School Events : 2017-2018

Monday 15th January	First Club Energy After School ‘Multi-sports’ Club
Thursday 25th January	11.45am Medcroft Class Lunch
Wednesday 7th February	3.15pm Y5/6 Yenworthy Parents Information meeting
w/c 12th February	Half Term
w/c 26th February	Year 5/6 Yenworthy Residential Week
12th & 13th March	Parent Consultation Meetings
Wednesday 21st March	5.30pm Y6 SATS Parent Information Meeting
Thursday 22nd March	1.45pm Easter Service at St Nicholas Church
Tuesday 27th March	3.15pm Y1 Phonics Check Parent Information Meeting
Wednesday 28th March	3.15pm Y2 SATS Parent Information Meeting
Thursday 29th March	3pm End of Spring Term 1

St Nicholas Church Events

Every Sunday	5.30pm Evening Services, all welcome
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Tackley Methodist Church Events

Sat 10th February	Friendship
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