



Tackley C of E Primary School

Newsletter Autumn Term Issue 5

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Thursday 2nd November 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome back to a new term. I hope you are all had a restful half term and are ready for our lead in to Christmas. As you would expect this looks to be a really busy term ahead.

Towards the end of November we are planning our International Week, this is the first of our curriculum weeks this year where we will be taking part in activities to enrich our curriculum. Some of the activities we are beginning to plan are: a whole school read around where children will choose to listen to stories from different cultures and a House competition where children will work in their Houses to prepare a dance or performance for the rest of the school. Look out for pictures and updates on our website.

On the subject of the website I am currently working with 123ICT updating our website. This will continue to provide useful information about the school, how your children are learning and updates about events in school. I will let you know when it is 'live' and would welcome any feedback about other information you would find useful to include.

Mrs Murrey

Well done to

Learning Power Certificates	
Joshua R	Spencer B
Jasmine B	Dexter G-B



Attendance : October 2017	
Whole School	97.1%
Medcroft Class	95.5%
Nethercote Class	95.9%
Harborne Class	97.4%
Rousham Class	98.6%

Attendance

Our attendance target for this academic year is 97.0%. Historically we have good attendance at Tackley and I would like that to continue. We are all aware that there is clear documented evidence that children who do not attend school regularly from primary school onwards rarely achieve their true potential and we do not want that for any of our children. As you know I am unable to authorise any holiday in term time.

Focus on Rousham Class

In Rousham class this term we are all really excited to be continuing and building upon all that we have learnt so far about the Ancient Egyptians. Monday afternoons are set to become a hive of learning and creativity as the children begin their independent Egyptian projects. We can't wait to share their finished products with you!

KS2 Cross Country Event

At the cross country, we had to run around a field then go through a gap into a hedge, around another field, back through the gap and run the last 300m to the finish. There were 30 schools at the event and Tackley did really well. By Alex M

It was great fun, I got drenched and I cheered everyone on, even the children who were not on our team. It was a day to remember. We ran 2.5 kilometres. By Patrick W.

Lunchtime Clubs

All lunchtime clubs will start week beginning 6th November, you will have received a letter if your child has been successful gaining a place in a club. The Lego club and Music club were heavily over subscribed, so to ensure that all of the children have a positive experience we randomly selected children to take part.. Lunchtime clubs will finish week beginning 4th December.

Pokemon cards

Pokemon cards will no longer be allowed in school after this Friday. They are becoming a distraction from children's learning and the cause of ongoing issues at playtimes due to children swapping. If your child brings Pokemon cards into school next week then they will be taken off of the children and left in the school office for parents to collect.

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 .

Remembrance Day

We will be again supporting the work of the Royal British Legion by selling poppies and other items before registration during week commencing 6th November. We are keen to see as many children as possible wearing a poppy demonstrating their support for serving members of the Armed Forces, ex Services personnel, their families and dependents. Thank you in advance for your support.

Children In Need - Friday 17th November



We will again be raising money for BBC Children in Need this year. For a £1 donation children can come to school dressed in spots! Children do not need to wear uniform on this day. Cakes will be on sale at break time with and remaining being sold at the end of the day. As always we are relying on your generous donation of cakes for us to raise as much money as possible.

The School Council will be selling some Pusdey and Blush items before registration during week commencing 13th November.

PTA

Our next meeting is at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th November in school, everyone is welcome.

Northbrook Catalogue - Gorgeous gift wrap for all occasions! Christmas order deadline: Monday 6th November.

All purchases made through the school generate 22% cashback for the PTA and our children, so this is a really good opportunity to help raise funds for school. Please return orders to either the school office or Nicky Mead by **Monday 6th November**.

Bag 2 School Collection - Tuesday 14th November

Collection is on the morning of Tuesday 14th November, please leave them in the courtyard area by the school main entrance. If you'd like your bags to be picked up from Upper Heyford please contact Nicky Mead on 07875 020540.



Night at the Movies—1st December 2017 at Tackley Methodist Church

Film 1 : Reception and Key Stage 1

Film 2 : Key Stage 2

Film 3 : Adults

The children's films will be put to a vote at school—precise details to follow, but for now, save the date.

Future School Events : 2017-2018

Tuesday 7th November	7.30pm PTA Meeting in school, everyone's welcome.
Thursday 16th November	Y1 Dance at The Marlborough School
Friday 17th November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations (R, Y1-Y4)
Monday 20th November & Tuesday 21st November	3.30pm Parent Consultation meetings
22nd—24th November	Book Fair
Thursday 23rd November	Harborne Class Parent Lunch
Monday 4th December	Club Energy Football After School Club—last session
Wednesday 6th December	Singing at the Silver Threads Christmas Lunch
Friday 8th December	Beauty and the Beast Pantomime (in school)
Tuesday 12th December	9.30am EYFS Nativity
Wednesday 13th December	1.45pm KS1 Nativity
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Lunch 2pm and 6pm KS2 Christmas Celebration in the Village Hall
Friday 15th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Activities morning
Monday 18th December	1.45pm Christmas Service at St Nicholas Church
Tuesday 19th December	3.00pm End of Autumn Term 2
Thursday 4th January 2018	8.45am Start of Spring Term 1

St Nicholas Church Events

Every Sunday	5.30pm Evening Services, all welcome
Wed 6th December	3.30pm Christingle Service
Sun 17th December	5.30pm Carol Service

Tackley Methodist Church Events

See village notice boards for dates	2.30pm Messy Church, all welcome.
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