



Tackley C of E Primary School

Newsletter Summer Term Issue 1

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Thursday 19th April 2018

Welcome back! It makes all the difference to see the sun shining, long may it continue.

We are delighted with the money raised from our Sponsored Reading Challenge, thank you to all of the families that worked hard to get sponsorship for the children. Well done on raising such a huge amount of money to be spent on books for our library.

A special well done to Noah Ha, Aaron L-P and Isla L-P For completing the most challenges, Edith T for earning the most sponsorship money and Rousham class for completing the most challenges. You will be receiving your prizes this week.

Please add the date to your diary for the Internet Safety briefing from Nick Speller. It is Monday 30th April at 5.30pm I look forward to seeing you there.

Mrs Murrey

Well done to

Learning Power Certificates	
Alex J Ryan F	Siana N Francis B



Stars of the Week	
Josh R Ben J	Molly H Dexter G-B

Attendance

Congratulations to the 28 children who achieved 100% attendance in the Spring Term and will receive certificates in tomorrow's sharing assembly. Our whole school attendance target is 97.0% for this year. Please help us to achieve this through encouraging good attendance by attending school by 8.45am each morning on time and ready to start the day.

Attendance	Spring Term	Year to Date
Whole School	95.0%	95.7%
Medcroft Class	92.9%	93.7%
Nethercote Class	93.1%	94.5%
Harborne Class	96.4%	96.7%
Rousham Class	96.3%	96.8%

Staffing

We have some staffing changes for next year to update you with. Miss Murphy has taken a new teaching role starting from September moving back to her home town of Bath. We will be very sad to see Miss Murphy leave Tackley as she has made an outstanding contribution to our teaching team in the two years that she has been with us. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Miss Murphy every success in her new job. I am delighted to inform you that we have appointed a new teacher, Mrs Niner, who will be teaching Nethercote class from September. Parents and children will have an opportunity to meet Mrs Niner later in the Summer Term.

Mrs Tester is due to return from maternity leave after May half term. Mrs Tester will be returning to teach two days a week, she will be working with all of the children across the school during the Summer Term and Miss Hill will continue to be Rousham's class teacher. Mrs Tester is moving away from the area in September and so will finish at the end of the Summer Term. Mrs Tester has made a huge contribution to the school in the 3 years she has taught at Tackley. She will be greatly missed by the teachers and children, for her outstanding teaching as well as fantastic organisational skills and enthusiasm. We wish Mrs Tester well with family life. I am delighted that Miss Hill will be staying with us as Rousham class teacher from September, and I know she will continue to make a positive contribution to our teaching team.

Miss Holliday will be leaving Tackley at the end of the Summer Term. Miss Holliday will be sorely missed by all of the staff and children at Tackley. She had made a fantastic contribution to both the teaching and wider life at Tackley and it will be difficult to replace her many skills and talents. We wish Miss Holliday every success in her future.

Focus on Harborne Class

Harborne Class have already been hard at work using atlases to find out information about Africa. They will use their research to create an information document to help them to learn more about our world and to understand this term's book 'The Village that Disappeared'. On Friday we will be visiting the church to see the 'History of Tackley' museum to consolidate the learning we completed for our topic last term.

Our value this term is: HUMILITY—'Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Colossians 3:12

Rousham Experience Easter

Before the Easter break Rousham class walked up to St Nicholas church and spent an afternoon learning all about the Easter story. Mrs Guy did a wonderful job of making five beautiful displays. Four lovely volunteers showed us the different points of the story. We learnt about Jesus' experience in the week leading up to Good Friday and the discovery of the empty tomb on Easter Sunday. We all thoroughly enjoyed our time at the church. By Niamh H and Abbie J.

School Trips

The teachers have been finalising details of their school trips which will be included in the Future School Events table below. Trip letters will be sent out in good time for the events and will also now be posted on the website.

Food for Thought—from Les Redhead, Managing Director of The School Lunch Company

Dear Parent, it was lovely to meet you at the parent's evenings last term. It came to my attention that some parents did not realise that the school dinner was prepared and cooked freshly in the kitchen within the school.

The School Lunch Company has adopted a fresh approach to school catering across Oxfordshire. Born in 2012 we now have 60 school contracts in Oxfordshire. Our philosophy is to be approachable and flexible and offer each school a quality 'tailor made' service. Your school has a bespoke menu, agreed in partnership with the school, children and chef. The Menu meets The School Food plan guidelines. We place great importance on sourcing fresh ingredients from local suppliers using local butchers and greengrocers. All the meals are prepared and cooked freshly in your school kitchen by your chef Karen and her assistant Nicky.

The School Lunch Company has achieved the Food for Life catering award demonstrating its commitment to improving the quality of food eaten. Special dietary needs are taken into consideration, for example, gluten and dairy.

If anyone has any questions or would like any more information, then please contact me by phone or email.

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PTA

Thanks to all who participated, sponsored or contributed to 'The Extreme Reading Challenge'. We have, together, raised a whopping £659.78. As we raised over £600, Usborne have offered us an additional 60% in free books, so we have a gargantuan £1055.65 to spend on books!

The Horse Show - 29th April 2018

For as little as half-an-hour of your time, standing in a field replacing jumps, our school will receive a generous donation.

A volunteers rota claiming time slots is available to view on the school notice board. Please speak to Hannah Hilton, or anyone on the PTA, if you can offer help.

'A Right Royal Spring Fling' - 19th May 2018 SOLD OUT!

Thanks to all who have purchased tickets for this exciting event.

Church Fete - 7th July 2018

We are still looking for a few people to form a sub-committee to help plan the fete, and as many volunteers as possible to be available on the day, to help out, run stalls and, of course, attend the event and have fun!

For more information, speak to Hannah Hilton.

Next PTA meeting: Tuesday 24th April at 7:30pm in school.

Future School Events : 2017-2018	
Monday 23rd April	Reception & Year 6 group photo and whole school B&W photos
Wednesday 25th April	Medcroft visit to the Museum of Natural History
Monday 30th April	5.30pm Internet Safety Parents Information Evening
Tuesday 1st May	Harborne trip to Kidlington Library
Thursday 3rd May	Rousham Class lunch
Wednesday 9th May	Nethercote visit to the Oxford Museum of the History of Science
Thursday 10th May	Y3/4 Tennis Event
w/c 14th May	Year 6 SATs week
w/c 21st May	Year 2 SATs week

Future School Events : 2017-2018	
Tuesday 22nd May	AM Y6 Induction at The Marlborough School Reception Eye Test by the School Nurse Team
Thursday 24th May	PM May Day Dancing
Friday 25th May	PM Reserved May Day Dancing 3.00pm End of Summer Term 1

St Nicholas Church Events	
Every Sunday	5.30pm Evening Services, all welcome

Tackley Methodist Church Events	
See village notice-boards for dates	Messy Church

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