



Tackley C of E Primary School Newsletter 2018/2019

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Dear Parents/Carers

Many thanks to all of those parents who filled in the parent questionnaires that were sent out in the Summer term, Governors and staff always find the feedback really valuable and it helps us to review our practise and priorities as a school. The results are based on only 13 responses that we receive from parents, and it would be good in the future if more parents could respond - I know many parents give us regular feedback throughout the year but this is a good opportunity to take a look at the school and the school year in its totality.

We were pleased that all of the parents who responded felt that their child makes good progress at school, and that more than 90% of parents answered that they strongly agreed or agreed that their child was happy at school and their child is taught well. The biggest recommendation we can always have as a school is when parents say they would recommend our school to another parent and 92% of our parents said they would. The areas that the parent questionnaire identified for us to work on further were about the quality of the information parents receive about their child's progress and the school ensuring that pupils are well behaved. As I have said this feedback from parents is really valuable to us as a school, and we will work with the feedback we have been given.

Mrs Murrey

Well done to

Learning Power Certificates	
Anna H	James L
Angelo C	James B
Lucy B	Islay L-P
Noah Hi	Grace B



Stars of the Week	
Florence H	Edith T
Daisy E	Millie O'S
Noah Hi	Francis B

School Councillors

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected to represent their Year Group on the School Council :-

Reception : Finn O'S and Phoebe T	Year 3 : Ben J and Ruby R	Year 5 : Grace B and Alex M
Year 1 : James B and Sienna I	Year 4 : Max D and Clemmie M	Year 6 : Francis B and Fearnie W
Year 2 : Grace H and Arann L-P		

They will meet regularly with Mrs Murrey to discuss ways that they can support and develop pupil voice within the school. The School Council will also be responsible for organising at least one event to raise money for charity this year, as well as making a contribution to the pupil questionnaire which we complete in the Spring term.

House Captains

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected to be House Captain and Vice Captain for their House :-

Copse : Captain— Erin R, Vice Captain— Destiny B	Heath : Captain— Fearnie W, Vice Captain— Cai C
Grove : Captain— Noah Hi, Vice Captain— Noah G	Spinney : Captain— Abbie J, Vice Captain— Harry S



School Uniform

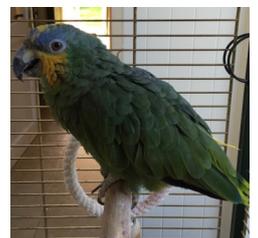
Now that I am fortunate enough to be teaching two days a week, I see the huge number of jumpers left under tables, on chairs, in trays and left in classrooms each day. Staff make a huge effort to ensure that classrooms are left tidy at the end of each day and that often involves returning jumpers to their rightful owners. This is only possible if all clothing is labelled, **please please** label your child's jumpers and cardigans and encourage your children to take responsibility for collecting all of their clothing before they leave the classroom each day. At the last count there are at least 15 unnamed jumpers and cardigans that have been misplaced by children since September.

Parent Governor Nominations

We have received two nominations for our parent governor vacancy and further information will be coming out next week with a pen portrait of the nominees and information about voting.

Focus on Nethercote Class

This week in Maths we have been looking at one more and one less and learning how to re-visit our work, make corrections and use manipulatives to support our learning. In English we had a visit from Lu-Lu the blue headed Amazon parrot which provided us with the opportunity to apply our knowledge of expanded noun phrases. The children came up with some beautiful adjectives (wow words) about different parts of Lu-Lu including shimmering, shiny, beady, bold, sparkling, glittering and glistening for her eyes. In Science we have had a busy planting week with children planting both cress and beans.



Our value this term is: RESPECT ...”So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you” Matthew 7:12

School Photographs

Please return your photo orders to school by Friday 12th October.

Hill End trip

We are all really looking forward to our whole school trip to Hill End next Thursday. However only 45 children have currently paid for this trip, this is less than half of the school. That means there is a real risk that we will not be able to go. As I explained in the letter I sent about the trip we are no longer in a position as a school where we can fund trips such as these from the school budget and we rely on parents making their contribution. We are happy to accept payment in instalments for trips, please speak to the school office about this. Many thanks.

Harvest Service

Thank you to all the children and family members that attended our first Tackley Praise service last Thursday. The service was a wonderful celebration of Harvest where children shared work from each class, which included creative work on seeds, weather, bread and fruit. Some of the older children shared readings from the Bible and all sang along beautifully to songs chosen for the service.

Consultation on the Proposed Change in Age Range at School

Thank you for the feedback we have received so far. There are still a few days left to fill in the questionnaire if you haven't already done so, spare forms are available from the office. The closing date for these to be returned to school is Tuesday 9th October.

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who made cakes and joined us for our Coffee Morning last Friday to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support. The children bought cakes during their break time and after school, they were thrilled with the variety to choose from. In total we raised an amazing **£238.74!**



Starting School. Primary and Secondary—September 2019

The closing date for secondary school applications is 31st October 2018 and for primary school applications is 15th January 2019. 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

Please join us in school at 3:00pm on Tuesday 9th October for our annual AGM meeting. Other dates for your diaries for this year are :-

16th November: Jacket Potato Night! Why not take a night off cooking and instead enjoy one (or more!) of our tasty jacket potatoes, choosing from a great selection of toppings and with the option for a delicious dessert too... all delivered to your home. Order forms available in the newsletter, from school and in the village shop.

11th October Whole School trip to Hill End, funded by the PTA and arranged by the school.

13th November: Bags2School collection. Get your bags of unwanted clothes (no uniform please) ready for collection.

November: Christmas cards and gifts designed by our children (at school) will be available to purchase through Art Bank from November. The PTA earn commission from all purchases. More information will follow.

Christmas Celebrations:

11th December: EYFS Nativity, 2.00pm

12th December: KS1 Nativity, 1:45pm

13th December: KS2 Christmas Performance, 2.00pm Christmas drinks and treats will be available to purchase from half-an-hour before each of these events.

Also, Festive Frolic & Sausage Sizzle! (before the KS2 evening Christmas Celebration) Join us from 5.00pm outside the village hall, wrap up warm and treat yourselves to a hot dog, mince pie and festive treats.

20th December 2018: Christmas Pantomime, 'Dick Whittington' funded by the PTA and arranged by the school.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Future School Events : 2018-2019	
Tuesday 9th October	3:00pm PTA AGM in school
Wednesday 10th October	Y3/4 Football Event
Thursday 11th October	Whole School Hill End trip
Thursday 18th October	Nethercote Cass lunch
Friday 19th October	3:00pm End of Autumn Term 1
Monday 29th October	INSET Day—School closed
Tuesday 30th October	8:45am Start of Autumn Term 2 Harborne class swim

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

Tackley Methodist Church Events	
See village noticeboards for dates	Messy Church