



Tackley C of E Primary School Newsletter 2018/2019

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Thursday 10th January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the Spring Term, I hope you all had a restful break. The children have been really engaged with their new topics and learning this week, and it is lovely to have Miss Holliday back with us until the end of the Summer term.

The children may have mentioned to you that part of the Hall has been out of action this week, this is due to a leak we have had in the reading area and entrance way to the Hall. The floor is being re-laid next week, so it will be back to normal soon. As a result of this there will be NO parent assemblies until further notice.

Class teachers are in the process of updating their class pages on the website and new curriculum maps will all be uploaded by Wednesday next week, so please have a read through those and the information added by class teachers about routines in their class to keep up to date with what your child is learning about this term.

Mrs Murrey

Attendance : Autumn Term 2018/2019	
Whole School	97.2%
Medcroft Class	96.8%
Nethercote Class	97.8%
Harborne Class	97.8%
Rousham Class	96.4%

Attendance

Congratulations to the 26 children who achieved 100% attendance over the Autumn Term. Our whole school target is 98% for this year. Please help us achieve this through encouraging good attendance by attending school by 8:45 each morning on time and ready to start the day.

Nursery

We are really looking forward to welcoming our three year olds into our Nursery from Monday 28th January. If you know of any three year olds that would like a Nursery place please ask them to contact the school office to arrange a visit.

PE kit

Please can I ask parents to make sure their children have their PE kit in school every week. PE is on a Monday for Nethercote class and on a Wednesday for Rousham and Harborne classes. Although occasionally this does swap round. I have spoken to the older children this week about the importance of changing for PE, both their school trousers/skirts and their polo shirts. It is also essential that children come prepared to take part in PE lessons outdoors each week, this means having tracksuit bottoms and a tracksuit top/jumper in school as well as a pair of trainers.

Focus on Rousham Class

Happy New Year!

Rousham come back from the Christmas break full of enthusiasm for the year ahead. We have entered straight into our new topic - Rainforests! The children have already begun to investigate the variety of life to be found in these fascinating eco-systems. We are looking forward to creating a wealth of artwork exploring the natural themes and patterns of forest environments and as part of our science work we shall be learning about the cycle of life. In literacy we are enjoying reading our new class book - Explorer, an exciting tale of adventure set in the Amazon rainforest. Do ask your child to keep you updated with the story.

We shall be investigating printing on different materials and would appreciate any unwanted plain sheets that you could donate.

Fizz Pop Science After School Club—Spring Term 2

After the February half term the Fizz Pop Science team will be running a Science Club on 'Science at Work'. This will run after school weekly on Wednesdays from 27th February until 3rd April. Fizz Pop Science are taking an assembly in school on 6th February, forms to secure places for your children will be available from this date.



Extreme Weather Conditions Warning

May we remind you of the arrangements in the event of severe weather or other unforeseen circumstances when it may be necessary for the school to close at short notice. In these situations, the school puts into operation an Emergency Closure Procedure. We will do our utmost to keep the school open wherever possible. Should we be in the position of not having sufficient staff to open the school for the safety of children, we will put a 'closure notice' on the school website (www.tackley.oxon.sch.uk), Twitter and contact local radio stations.



It will also appear on the Oxfordshire County Council website—<http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/school-closures>.

Our value this term is: **RESPONSIBILITY** "He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labour." 1 Corinthians 3:8

School Meal Menu Change—Thursday 17th January 2019

Main : Oven Baked Fish Fingers or Cheese and Onion Pinwheel, both with chips or pasta, peas and sweetcorn

Dessert : Iced Fruit Smoothie with Fresh Fruit

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 17th 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.

School Meal Menu Change—Friday 18th January 2019

Main : Crunchy Chicken Fillet with Homemade Jacket Potato Wedges or Neapolitan Pasta Bake, both with peas and carrots

Dessert : Iced Raspberry Sponge

PTA

Happy New Year from the PTA!

2019 is promising to be an exciting time for us as we push our library project along to the next stage. We have ordered the Junior Librarian Computer System and, after a training day in a few weeks, we plan to start coding the current book stock.

We are also waiting for the final library design to come through and we will then be in a position to launch our plans to everyone, so, watch this space!

2019 SAVE THE DATES

Race Night - [Saturday 9th March 2019](#)

Join us for a night of fun and PIG RACING! Details to follow soon.

The Horse Show - [Sunday 28th April 2019](#)

(Volunteers required for short stints during the day to replace the jumps. I return, the school will receive a generous donation).

The Summer Fete - [Saturday 6th July 2019](#)

We're hoping to provide more rides and a climbing wall this year, as well as the usual Jousting, Zorbing balls and other attractions.

We are looking for display teams for the arena so if you have a child involved with a club who would be interested in promoting their business, please let us know.

Oktoberfest - [Saturday 12th October 2019](#)

Join us for a night of beer, dancing and fun!

Thank you in advance for your support.

Starting Primary School—September 2019

Is your child or any child you know turning 5 between September 2019 and August 2020? Then please apply for their Primary School place online at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date is 15th January 2019. If you know any parents who are considering sending their child to Tackley School please ask them to contact the school office to arrange a visit.

Future School Events : 2018-2019

Thursday 17th January	School Census Day
Tuesday 22nd January	7.00 PTA Meeting in school
Wednesday 23rd January	3.15 Y1 Phonics Information for Parents Meeting
Thursday 24th January	11.45 Medcroft Parents Lunch
Friday 25th January	Harborne to The Sheldonian Theatre
Thursday 31st January	Y6 Junior Citizen
Thursday 7th February	3.30 Tackley Praise—St Francis (Animal Blessing) at St Nicholas Church
Thursday 14th February	Y5/6 SportsHall Athletics at The Marlborough School
Friday 15th February	3.00 End of Spring Term 1
Monday 25th February	8.45 Start of Spring Term 2

Future School Events : 2018-2019

Friday 1st March	Y1 Dance Event at The Marlborough School
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
11th-12th March	Parent Consultation Meetings
Thursday 14th March	3.30 Tackley Praise—Patron Saints at St Nicholas Church
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20th March	Y5/6 Tag Rugby
Wednesday 27th March	3.15 Y2 SATS Information for Parents Meeting
Thursday 28th March	1.45 Easter Service at St Nicholas Church
Friday 5th April	3.00 End of Spring Term 2
Tuesday 23rd April	8.45 Start of Summer Term 1

St Nicholas Church Events

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

See village noticeboards for dates	Messy Church
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