



Tackley C of E Primary School Newsletter 2018/2019

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Thursday 28th February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had an enjoyable half term break and were able to relax and enjoy some family time together.

We introduced our value for this term forgiveness in collective worship on Monday and talked about why it is helpful to forgive people. We discussed what sorry means and how we can show we are sorry in our actions as well as with words. Take this time to discuss with your children what it means to forgive.

Please can I remind all parents that if they need to speak to their child's class teacher or go to their child's class for any reason that they go through the main reception door. Staff are busy before school preparing their teaching for the day, and are not always available to speak to parents. A message can be left with Mrs York in the school office for your child's class teacher if needed. Also for Safeguarding purposes it is important that we know who is in the school building at all times.

The School Council are busy preparing a sponsored event to raise money for school, details of which will be shared with you soon. It is based on learning new knowledge and experiencing new things. All very exciting!

Mrs Murrey

Congratulations to



Stars of the Week	
Katie F Islay L-P	Alex M

Learning Power Certificates	
Max J	Jack D
Albert M	Pippa M
Millie O'S	Emily B
Abigail O	Destiny B

Attendance : Terms 1-3 2018/2019	
Whole School	96.6%
Medcroft Class	96.6%
Nethercote Class	96.7%
Harborne Class	97.2%
Rousham Class	96.2%

Staffing News

Miss Hill will be leaving Tackley School at the end of this term. Miss Hill has been part of our teaching team for 18 months and has made a great contribution to our Year 5/6 class. She will be missed. We wish Miss Hill every success with her new teaching job.

Attendance

We are half way through the academic year and falling short of our 98.0% attendance target for the whole year. Attendance has dropped to 96.6% from 97.2% at the end of the Autumn term. Please help us achieve our end of year target through encouraging good attendance by being punctual for school each morning arriving no later than 8:45 and being ready to start the school day.

Focus on Harborne Class

Last half term was full of enthusiasm, fun and hard work in Harborne! Within the broader curriculum our focus on Europe has led to some wonderful art work, the children creating and baking their own 'Europe' inspired breads and some excellent research and presentations on a range of countries. Our Sheldonian Theatre concert visit was a particular highlight last term and we resumed recorder playing with gusto! Music this term will involve using 'Garage Band' on the I pads. I have really enjoyed reading, watching and listening to the children present their Europe inspired homework- keep it up!

Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics

On Thursday 14th February 2019 some Year 5/6 children took part in an indoor athletics competition. The event was held at The Marlborough School sports hall and we competed against 7 other Primary Schools—Woodstock, William Fletcher, Stonesfield, Combe, Kirtlington, Bletchington and Bladon. There were many contests including the long jump, relay races and more.

We came 7th out of 8, we all tried very hard and had fun. By Cai C

Tackley Praise—St Francis

After school on Thursday 7th February lots of people from the school travelled up to Church, with a difference! Some people took their pets, there were dogs, hamsters and some people brought photos of animals they couldn't bring. We had songs and blessings, and some unusual sounds from the pets! We really enjoyed the service and it was exciting to see so many different animals in the church. By Alfie I and Fergus P

Please be aware that the Tackley Praise—Patron Saints service scheduled for 14th March is cancelled.

After School Clubs

New Art and Science after school clubs started this week. There are a few spaces left on both of these, if your child is interested in joining the clubs please check the website for on-line registration details or contact the school office.

Our value this term is: Forgiveness "Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13

Harborne Class—Residential Trip

At the end of last term we were advised by Grendon Hall that they were not able to fulfil our residential booking in May. We are happy to confirm that we have secured a trip to Kingswood in Staffordshire as a replacement venue for the same dates, 22nd to 24th May 2019. Their website is <https://www.kingswood.co.uk/activity-centres/staffordshire/> . Parents are invited to a meeting at 3:10 on Tuesday 2nd April where we will share more details with you about the trip e.g. departure and arrival times and kit lists.

Lunchtime Clubs

A letter has been sent out today with a list of lunchtime clubs that we are offering this term. These offer an alternative to outdoor play for the children and are voluntarily run by staff. I am very grateful for the staff in giving up their lunchtime to run these clubs.

Parent Consultation Meetings (excluding Medcroft Class) —11th and 12th March

The letter to book parent consultation meetings went home this week and is also available on the website. Please return your slips to school as soon as possible to secure your booking.

‘Design Your Dream Room’ Homework

Representatives from Deanfield Homes and Savills visited school earlier this week to look at all the wonderful entries for the ‘Design Your Dream Room’ competition. They will be returning to school next week to announce the winners who will visit the new housing site to cut the ribbon opening the show house.

World Book Day - Thursday 7th March

As part of our focus on books for World Book Day we will be reading the picture book ‘The Arrival’ by Shaun Tan. Every class in the school will be focussing on the story, and linking their English work to it during the week of World Book Day. On World Book Day children can dress up, if they wish, as a character from a book. We are asking this year for a £1 donation for dressing up, and this money will be donated to a refugee charity - a theme which will be covered in the picture book The Arrival.



Rousham Class—Kew Gardens trip

Before and after school on 19th and 20th March Rousham Class will be holding a sale to raise money toward their exciting trip to Kew Gardens on Thursday 4th April. They are busy planning and making a variety of arts and crafts gifts with a conservation theme which will be available to purchase.

Recycling packaging

Once again we would like to request anything we could use for modelling in our creative area, cereal boxes, kitchen role tubes and other such items would be very much appreciated. Miss Malone

If you have any empty clean plastic bottles of any size please can you bring them to the school office where they will be passed on to Nethercote class for Science experiments this term. Thank you. Mrs Niner

PTA

Join us for the **GREATEST SNOUT** of all time! Final tickets now selling for our **PIG RACE NIGHT** on Saturday 9th March.

To become the undisputed **CHAM’PIG’ON** of the World, introducing:

- **HARRY TROTTER AND VOLDERSNORT**
- **ALBERT EINSWINE AND MARIE CURED BACON**
- **AMY SWINEHOUSE AND THE NOTORIOUS P.I.G.**

Plus many, many more... but who will win?

Come **WALLOW** at our bar and **PORK OUT** on hot dogs and pizza!

Doors open at 7pm. Main event starts at 7:30pm prompt, at Tackley Village Hall. You won’t be **BOARed**... So, go the whole **HOG**, all proceeds for the new school library project.

Future School Events : 2018-2019	
Friday 1st March	Y1 Dance Event at The Marlborough School
Wednesday 6th March	Reception & Y6 Weighing and Measuring Programme
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
11th-12th March	Parent Consultation Meetings
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20th March	Y5/6 Tag Rugby

Future School Events : 2018-2019	
Thursday 28th March	1.45 Easter Service at St Nicholas Church
Tuesday 2nd April	3.10 Kingswood Residential Parents Meeting
Wednesday 3rd April	3.15 Y2 SATS Information for Parents Meeting (changed from 27th March)
Thursday 4th April	Rousham Class to Kew Gardens
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

Tackley Methodist Church Events	
See village noticeboards for dates	Messy Church

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