



# Tackley C of E Primary School

## Newsletter 2019/2020

Autumn Term Issue 1  
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Thursday 5th September 2019

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely holiday and are looking forward to the year ahead. The children have come back to school with enthusiasm and energy. Over the last few days they have been working on rules and routines, and teachers have been setting their expectations for behaviour—both learning behaviours as well as conduct. The children, as always have risen to this challenge.

I'm excited to let you know about our annual outdoor learning trip, this year it will be on **Wednesday 25th September**. This year we are having a break from Hill End and instead are going to Blenheim. The education team there have planned some fantastic activities based around the natural environment at Blenheim and Science Technology and Engineering. We are all really looking forward to the day. This year it is Year 1 to Year 6 attending, and an outdoor learning day is being planned for EYFS in the Spring Term.

We've updated our book wish list for our library : <http://amzn.eu/h85tdTS>

Mrs Murrey

### Ask the Headteacher

**What is the best way to pass a message on to my child's class teacher?** Just a brief reminder to parents about our school system if you need to speak to your child's class teacher. Teachers will be on the playground from 8:40 each morning if you need to speak to them briefly. They are also available at the end of the school day.

If you need to speak in confidence to your child's class teacher about an urgent issue please can you go to the school office and request to speak to your child's class teacher. For less urgent matters you can send an email to the school office email address [office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk) and your email will be passed on to the teacher. The teacher on gate duty in the morning also has a message slip that can be passed on to your child's class teacher for example, if there is a change in pick up arrangements that day.

Please can I request that parents of children in Nethercote, Harborne and Rousham class do not go directly into school via the classroom doors in the morning to speak to their child's class teachers, instead waiting until 8:40 or emailing/ringing the school office.

### School Uniform/PE Kit

Just a reminder to all parents, please can PE kits be in school every week and ideally left in school for the week. PE kit should include plain black shorts, joggers, white t-shirt and a jumper. Unless it is raining heavily PE lessons will take place outside. The children all look smart in their new school uniform, this week. Sorry to nag so early but please make sure that all of their clothing is labelled with their names—it makes returning jumpers so much easier at the end of the day!

### Update on Wraparound Care

Due to staff absence the job advert has been delayed for a Breakfast Club worker. If you are interested please contact the school office for further details.

### Parent Governor vacancy

All parents should have received a letter about our Parent Governor vacancy this week. Please ensure all nominations are returned to the school office by Thursday 12th September.

### Oxford Half Schools Challenge

We have had a great response to this opportunity with 15 children signed up to take part. Half of the total distance of 12.1 miles will be covered in school during Friday lunchtimes starting tomorrow, Mrs Murrey and Miss Malone will be running with the children. Children should complete the other half of the distance outside of school. Children taking part will need to ensure that they have their PE kit in school every Friday. Tomorrow children will receive a chart to log the distance they've covered both inside and outside school so they can keep checking that they're on target to complete the required distance ahead of the final run on Sunday 13th October. Please don't lose this—it's their record of their achievement.

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## Student Update Forms

On Tuesday children took home their student update forms, including permissions. It is essential we have the most recent information on all children. Please can these be updated and returned to school promptly and by Tuesday 10th September at the latest. This is particularly important for Rousham Class as a check on the swimming permission is required. Thank you.

## Club Energy

The Autumn term club for Key Stage 2 children is Invasion Games, e.g. Basketball, football, rugby, commencing Monday 9th September. If your child would like to take part please return the completed form to the school office (spare forms also available from the School Office).



## Fizz Pop Science—It's the Force of Course

Our scientists visited us this morning and gave the children an exciting assembly, a taster of what this term's club will be about. Children will bring home leaflets with the full details of the club and how to complete the on-line registration. If you have any queries please contact the school office.

## ParentPay payments

As we start the new academic year we'd like to remind you that the minimum payment for school dinners is £2.30 and that individual meals can be paid for on-line. If you need confirmation of your account and password please contact the school office. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free school meals under the Universal Infant Free School Meals initiative.

## PTA

Events:

Oktoberfest - 12th October 2019, 7:30pm, Tackley Village Hall.

A night of raucous fun with a live Bavarian 'Oompah' band. Everyone welcome. Tickets £10 each - contact Roz Hicks on 07967 723533.

Jacket Potato Night - 22nd November 2019.

If you're new to the school, if you have fundraising ideas, if you'd like to help (in any capacity) or if you'd just like to come along to listen to our plans, please join us at our next PTA meeting at 7pm on Tuesday 17th September 2019.

Our annual AGM will be held in Oct (precise date TBC) and Hannah Hilton will be standing down as Chair. Over the last two years the committee has run a variety of super events and raised money to provide the school with a well needed wonderful new library. The PTA is now ready for a new goal and someone with fresh ideas, energy and enthusiasm, keen to assist in helping our school be the best it can. Over to you!

| Future School Events |  |
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| 9th September        | 3:00 First Club Energy after school club   |
| 10th September       | First Rousham swim<br>5:00 Medcroft Nursery Parents Information Meeting<br>5:30 Nethercote Parents Information Meeting |
| 12th September       | 5:00 Harborne Parents Information Meeting<br>5:30 Rousham Parents Information Meeting                                  |
| 24th September       | 2:15 and 5:30 Parents Meeting—School Development Priorities<br>6:45 Full Governors Meeting                             |
| 25th September       | Years 1-6 Blenheim Trip  |

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| 2nd October          | 2:15 and 5:00 Phonics Session for Parents                                  |
| 3rd October          | 1:45 Harvest Service at St Nicholas Church—Medcroft and Nethercote to lead |
| 17th October         | Individual and Family Photos<br>11:55 Nethercote Class Lunch               |
| 21st October         | Parent Consultation Evening  |
| 22nd October         | Parent Consultation Evening  |
| 25th October         | 3:00 End of Autumn Term 1  |

| St Nicholas Church Events |  |
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| Every Sunday              | 5.30pm Evening Services.<br>9.30am Family Communion on the last Sunday of every month.<br>All welcome to all services. |

| Tackley Methodist Church Events    |              |
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| See village noticeboards for dates | Messy Church |

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