



Tackley C of E Primary School Newsletter 2019/2020

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Dear Parents

I hope all parents in Early Years and Key Stage One have been able to read with their children since the beginning of term and have seen the fantastic new phonic reading books, and reading scheme books that we have bought. The PTA have supported us with this purchase and we would like to say thank you.

Last week our School Improvement Advisor visited and alongside Governors and leaders in school looked at how we teach reading across the school. They met with children to talk about their reading, looked at the teaching of reading in classes and spoke to some parents about reading.

Most of our children are keen readers, and the library has been a great addition to our school stock of resources to motivate and engage children with reading. Even if your child is a fluent reader it is really important that you are making time to read several times a week. You could be reading to your children, or they could be reading to you. The teaching of reading really is a partnership between home and school. We spend time in school teaching the skills of reading, as a parent it is important that you give your children time to practise these skills at home through reading to them and with them.

Mrs Murrey

Stars of the Week	
Kaitlyn H	Maisie B
Alex C	Alfie I
Grace B	Pandora C



Learning Powers	
Freddie F	Livy B
Evie C	Maisie B
Finn O'S	Louie T
George D	Grace H
Islay L-P	Y6 Young Leaders

Term dates 2020/2021

These are now published on the website and on the last page of this newsletter.

Oxford Active—After School Club

Our After School Club run by Oxford Active will be ready to start on Monday 24th February. We are really excited that parents are now able to register at: <https://www.cognitofirms.com/OxfordActive/RegistrationForm>

Please complete a registration form for the Club if you intend to use it both regularly or on an ad-hoc basis.

Please make a note in your diary that Oxford Active will be here after school on 4th February for parents and children to meet staff and find out more about what the club can offer.

Parents will be able to choose one of three sessions for their children to attend:

3:00—5:30 £12.00

3:00—5:00 £10.00

3:00—4:30 £8.00

An After School Club is a really important addition to our school and we are delighted to be working in Partnership with Oxford Active. We need the support of parents to ensure this provision is sustainable for the school.

Ask Mrs Barnett our Maths Leader

It's competition time! Next week is the first Battle of the Bands of the year and it will be between Harborne and Rousham classes. Battle commences at 8.30am on Monday 27th January and ends at 12pm on Friday. The winner will be announced in Friday's assembly. Please encourage your child to play at home and help their class earn points.

Focus on Rousham Class

In Rousham Class we have started our 'Amazing Africa' topic. We have begun learning about the kingdom of Benin and about the geography of Africa. We have been writing spooky stories in English. We rolled dice to determine the setting, characters and what would happen in them. We started by drawing our setting and writing spooky descriptions., Mrs Barnet wants them to give her nightmares! In Science we have been learning about adaptation and evolution. We learnt about DNA and genes and how offspring inherit some traits. It's really interesting.
By Emily B and Lyla S

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Year 6 Junior Citizen Trip

We were very excited about this trip and also a bit nervous. We shared a coach with Bloxham Primary and went to the fire station in Oxford. When we arrived we split into 2 groups and got to go into different rooms. In each room there was a different type of emergency and the staff saw how we reacted to each of them and helped us choose the best way. We all called 999 for real so we know how to do it in case we ever have to in real life. For each scenario we got a score out of 10. Both our groups did brilliantly. We learnt lots of important things about how to stay safe and also how to help others. When we got back to school we weren't allowed to tell anyone exactly what we did so we don't spoil it for them when it's their turn. By Lily B and Louis S-G



Eco Council

The Eco Council have been working on ensuring a whole school approach to a litter free school grounds as part of the first steps towards the bronze part of the green flag eco-schools award. We are going to begin looking at biodiversity and the school grounds with our next meeting scheduled for Friday 24th January. We have been awarded a small conservation allowance from ODST in order to ensure our grounds meet the criteria for eco-schools and will begin looking at how we can use this effectively during our next meeting.

House Competition

Don't forget that the deadline to submitted your entries to the House Competition is Friday 7th February. We look forward to seeing all your wonderful ideas.

Yenworthy Residential

It's just over 4 months until Rousham's residential trip to Yenworthy, Dorset. Next week children will bring home a statement confirming how much has been paid to date with a reminder that the balance needs to be completed by Thursday 30th April. Payments by ParentPay please, either in full or by instalments.



Sports for Schools

We look forward to welcoming Paralympic footballer Alistair Patrick-Heselton into school next Thursday afternoon. All children will need their PE kit and water bottle for the activity and please remember to bring your sponsor form and money back into school by Friday 31st January.

Cycle Proficiency

We are very grateful to Mrs Barton and Mrs Bass for leading our cycle proficiency training for many years here at school. We are looking for volunteers to take over from Mrs Bass as last summer's course was her last one. The training sessions will be on Tuesday afternoons from w/c 18th May until the test which is on Monday 6th July. Mrs Barton will be able to complete the trainer training during these sessions. If you are interested in volunteering to help to enable this course to take please speak to Mrs York or Mrs Ford in the office.

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—

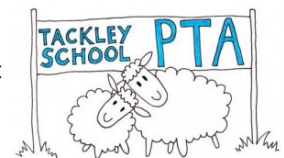


<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/emergency-school-closures>

PTA

NEW MEMBERS

We are always keen to hear from parents who would like to get involved with our fundraising work. Please remember you don't have to commit to all the meetings or events, just a helping hand at one event of your choosing would make all the difference. Thank you!#



TACKLEY HORSE SHOW – 26th April

Please put this in your diaries!

We will be asking for volunteers on the day for replacing jumps. All parents welcome to help, not just PTA members!

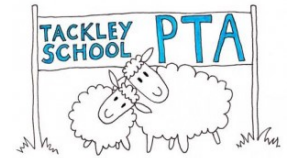
OUTSIDE SPACE

As we look to improve the outside space for our children, can we ask any landscaping experts to get in touch with the school as we'd love to pick their brains about the possibilities/ potential issues with the ground.

BAGS 2 SCHOOL

Having a spring clear out? The next collection is **28th February**

Bags will be available from the office in the next few weeks or a bin bag is fine. Here is a reminder of what can be donated,



WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following **'good quality'** items for RE-USE*:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

Future School Events	
29th January	3:15 Phonics Parents Information meeting
31st January	Reception School Vision Screening
5th February	3.30 Tackley Praise—Pets Service
14th February	3:00 End of Spring Term 1
24th February	8:45 Start of Spring Term 2 3:00 First Oxford Active After School Club
27th February	8:45 Whole School Maths Open Morning 9:30 Early Years Open Morning
28th February	First Fizz Pop Science After School Club (details to be available next week)

Future School Events	
2nd March	Year 1 Dance Event
5th March	World Book Day
6th March	Whole School Trip to Science Oxford Centre
10th March	U11 Tag Rugby Event
16th & 17th March	Parent Consultation Meetings
24th March	Full Governors Meeting
26th March	3:15 KS1 SATS Parents Information Meeting
2nd April	1:45 Easter Service at St Nicholas Church
3rd April	3:00 End of Spring Term 2

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

Tackley Methodist Church Events	
See village noticeboards for dates	Messy Church

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**Tackley CE Primary School Term and holiday dates
2020-2021**



	Sep-20					Oct-20					Nov-20							
Monday			7	14	21	28			5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
Tuesday		1	8	15	22	29			6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
Wednesday		2	9	16	23	30			7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
Thursday		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		
Friday		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		
Saturday		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		
Sunday		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		

	Dec-20					Jan-21					Feb-21					
Monday			7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22
Tuesday		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23
Wednesday		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24
Thursday		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
Friday		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
Saturday		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
Sunday		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28

	Mar-21					Apr-21					May-21							
Monday		1	8	15	22	29			5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
Tuesday		2	9	16	23	30			6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	
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Saturday		6	13	20	27			3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	
Sunday		7	14	21	28			4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	

	Jun-21					Jul-21					Aug-21								
Monday			7	14	21	28			5	12	19	26			2	9	16	23	30
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INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED
 BANK HOLIDAYS
 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

