



3rd November, 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Health and Wellbeing Week



We are all very much looking forward to this week, starting on Monday 13th November. During the week, there will be an increased focus on PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education). To further support this important part of our curriculum, we are having a team event on Wednesday 15th November where the children will be making a relaxation bottle. To help us with the resourcing of this, could we ask that your child brings in a small, clear plastic bottle with the lid before the day. The children may end up using any of the bottles donated so it does not need to be named. A small empty water bottle, with the labels removed, would be the perfect size.

Poppy Appeal

This week we saw the launch of our Poppy Appeal. We were fortunate enough to have Liz Harrison, who leads the Poppy Appeal in Twyford, come to speak to us about her work and the symbolism of the poppy. Following this, children in year 6 have been selling poppies, wrist bands and hair clips in support.



Open Book Event



We are delighted to invite parents to our first Open Book Event on Thursday 9th November from 3:30-4pm. During this time, you will be able to view your child's work to date in their classrooms. Teachers will be on hand if you have any questions. On the day, children will be collected as usual from the playground. You will then be able to make your way down to your child's class. Alternatively if you are unable to make this, then there will be opportunity to view your child's book during Parents' Evening.

School Council update



Following a carefully composed letter from Mabel in Willow Class regarding her concern over unhealthy snacking, our School Council have been discussing ways in which healthy snacks can be promoted. They have been monitoring this carefully, particularly on the Key Stage 2 playground where many children have been choosing 'unhealthy snacks'. It's a delight to see how committed our school councillors have been and how passionate they are to do something about it. They have been planning an assembly to share with the whole school so I shall keep you updated with their progress.

Lates

Our records show that we have had 82 late arrivals this term. Being only 5 minutes late a day loses 3 days education a year. All children should be in school by 8:50a.m., before the gate is closed. It's important that children set good patterns of attendance and punctuality from a young age so please support us in doing this.

Parents' Evening Appointments / Yr 6 Parent Consultations

Communications were sent out this week regarding our parents' evening appointments and the new Yr 6 parent consultation appointments. As you will be aware, the online booking system is live so please do book an appointment if you haven't done so already.

PTA Fireworks



A reminder that the firework display is taking place on Sunday 12th November. Letters will be coming out shortly from your PTA.

Messy Church

Messy Church is taking place this Sunday 5th November in the Parish Hall, from 4.00 – 6.00pm. This month we are thinking about the peace and comfort that the Holy Spirit brings - and as well as the usual delicious munchies, we are going to do exciting scientific experiments and roam the world praying for peace. Join us for crafts, games, a short service and a yummy meal.



Star of the Week

Ash	Robert	For sharing his chatterbox with the whole class and explaining so beautifully about the objects and photos in his box. Well done!
Beech	Lauren	For sharing her accurate definition of 'snow' for her Weather Dictionary with Beech Class during carpet time.
Oak	Ruby	For being an Incy Independent and focusing well to produce some great writing.
Sycamore	Mia	For super independence – great use of the success criteria when writing her Iron Man letter and fantastic work in ICT!
Willow	Jim	For including all the features of a legend, using his purple pen to improve his writing and responding well to marking.
Yew	Alex	For a fantastic week all round and having a great attitude to learning.



Roll of Honour

Ash	Rowan	For being a Persevering Pig AND an Incy Independent when cutting out and making a teddy bear.
	Maisie	For showing great courage when she fell and bumped her head this week. Ouch!
Beech	Brandon	For showing courage on his first day at TSM and settling into Beech Class so well!
	Joanie	For always trying her best in ALL her learning. Well done Joanie!
Oak	Betsy	For being a Team Bee to solve a tricky multiplication problem in maths.
	Sophie H	For being a Team Bee to solve a tricky multiplication problem in maths.
Sycamore	Pippa	For keeping so well focused in maths when finding 1,10 and 100 more, or less.
	Bella	For fantastic inference skills and super use of evidence to explain her Iron Man answers.
Willow	Lily S	For her exploration of language when writing about a mythical creature. Superb determination to make it the best it could be.
	William T	For his perseverance and dedication to his maths when investigate prime numbers.
Yew	Oscar	For rising to challenge in Maths when comparing fractions with different denominators.

	Isabel	For being a reflective learner and explaining her steps for comparing fractions with different denominators.
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Dates for your diary

Autumn Term	
6th November	Special Remembrance Assembly – Passchendaele
6th November	Special Bonfire Lunch
8th November	School Nursing Team Drop-in Coffee Morning for Parents
9th November	Stonehenge trip – Sycamore Class
9th November	Open Book Event – 3:30-4:00pm
7th November	Yew Class trip to Royal Armouries, Fort Nelson
12th November	PTA Fireworks
13th – 17th November	Health and Wellbeing Week
13th November	Theatre visit to school – Hope
17th November	Life Education Parents Workshop 8:40 - 9:10am – Details to follow
17th November	Flu Vaccinations for Yr R – Yr 4
21st November	Parents' Evening
23rd November	Parent's Evening / Parent Consultations Yr 6
4th December	INSET Day
12th December	KS1 Nativity @ St Mary's Church 2pm
13th December	KS1 Nativity in the School Hall 9:30am
19th December	KS2 Carol Service @ St Mary's Church 9:30am
21st December	Christmas Lunch
21st December	Last Day of Term!

Warm Wishes



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