



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Many thanks for your generous Harvest gifts today for the Winchester Basics Bank. The centre relies on the generosity of its supporters to help those in difficult circumstances in the community who require food and clothing and I know all your gifts will be gratefully received. The children held their services in their separate bubbles, led by our new school councillors. Thank you to Rev. Damon who kindly pre-recorded prayers for us. A podcast of the service will be coming to you shortly.



### **PTA 'End of Summer' Fancy Dress Fun Run**

The children had a fantastic time on Monday at the fancy dress fun run in aid of the PTA. The event really lifted all of our spirits as we saw the last of this week's sunshine. We were all amazed by the children's determination and true grit with even our youngest children running at least 10 laps (a mile) and the older ones running up to 40+! This has been matched by the incredible generosity of our parents, with the 'gofundme' donations page currently standing at £635. If you would like to donate to this page please follow the link :

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/twyford-st-mary039s-pta-fun-run?member=&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_campaign=p\\_email%2Binvitesupporters](https://www.gofundme.com/f/twyford-st-mary039s-pta-fun-run?member=&utm_medium=email&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=p_email%2Binvitesupporters)

The PTA met this week and have kindly agreed to give each class some money to spend on a few much needed resources. Ash class would like to build a new outdoor exploration area with mud kitchen and digging area. Beech Class would like a new classroom rug to sit on, as their rug is many years old and quite threadbare. Classes in KS2 would like some new maths resources. Sadly, this year we will not be able to have our much loved firework evening, but the committee have many more exciting events being planned.



### Parent Governor Elections

You should all have received your Parent Governor Election ballot papers today. We are delighted to have had 2 applications for the Parent Governor position: Rupert Gregory and Hannah Greenberg. **Each** parent/carer is entitled to vote for their preferred candidate. Please follow the instructions in your pack. Ballot slips should be sealed in the envelope labelled 'Ballot Paper', then put inside the individually named envelope marked 'Parent Governor Election'. Please could you ensure that your ballot papers are returned to school by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 12:00noon** at the latest. If your child was away today, the ballot papers will be sent home with your child on Monday if they are back in school or they will be posted.

## Incredible Ice Cream Challenge Launched



On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September, Jude and Theo Mezger from Jude's Ice Cream kindly came in to tell Willow class the story of their amazing family business and to launch the exciting Jude's Ice Cream Challenge! An integral part of the Jude's vision is to give back to the local community. They love working with schools and giving children the opportunity to learn about and experience some of the challenges of running an ice cream business. Willow class even got to taste one of their flavours!

### The Challenge:

To create the best brand of ice cream, the tastiest flavor and design eye catching packaging and posters. The winning team's ice cream will be made at Jude's and sold at a school event. The profits from the sales will all go to the charity chosen by the winning team.

Let's wish Willow class the best of luck with their challenge; we're already looking forward to pitching our products to Jude and Theo in 2 weeks time (we have been working hard in DT designing our flavours and tubs and are about to embark on writing some persuasive pitches) and finding out the winner. Watch this space!



### **EnergyKidz update**

We have been informed by EnergyKidz that they have closed their breakfast club on a Thursday and Friday morning for the time being, due to either none or very limited take up each week. If you do rely on EnergyKidz breakfast and afterschool club service or are planning on trying it out, please do go online to make your bookings as soon as possible, to avoid any further session closures - [www.energy-kidz.co.uk](http://www.energy-kidz.co.uk)

This Autumn term they have #WellbeingWarrior themed activities and weekly challenges - Has your child got what it takes to become the ultimate Wellbeing Warrior? Spread the art of kindness by delivering secret messages through the wellness wall, take on the alphabet challenge with ultra zen yoga classes and become a mindfulness master through meditation games.

## #HelloYellow

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October, we at TSM will be taking part in #HelloYellow to raise funds for YoungMinds as part of World Mental Health Day. The charity works for a future where all young minds are supported and empowered, whatever the challenges. By getting involved, we are all helping to show young people that they are not alone with their mental health. Please help us spread the word by wearing something yellow and donating £1. Whether it's a banana scarf, a custard hat, a lemon pair of socks or a neon bow tie (Mr Robson!), please dig them out and wear them with pride. If you'd like to find out more about this charity, please follow this link -

<https://youngminds.org.uk/get-involved/how-to-fundraise/helloyellow/>

Kirstie Baines  
Interim Headteacher



### Star of the Week

Ash	Marcus	For always challenging himself to try new and tricky things!
Beech	Ysé	For being an Incy Independent when writing her poem 'Yummy Food', using super adjectives to add detail.
Sycamore	Rafferty	For his outstanding consideration for all around him; consistently showing high quality listening and respect to all of his peers in and out of the classroom. He makes TEAM possible.
Willow	Isabella	For superb maths jottings in your formal multiplication method - an excellent understanding of the concept!
Yew	Bella	For her engagement and enthusiasm in lessons this week and for being kind, helpful and considerate towards everyone.



### Roll of Honour

Ash	Joshua	For doing superb guided reading using his sounds and tricky words.
	Theo	For being very thoughtful and reflective about his learning this week.
Beech	Hugo and Ollie	For their amazing 'hobby horses' home learning. What super creative Curious Cats you are boys! Beech Class loved your home made toys!
Sycamore	Seren	For her thoughtful contributions to our class discussions on Food Poverty, as well as her thought-provoking questions in our Tomb delving in Topic.

	Meadow	For the fantastic effort she has made with her home learning, creating a hand-painted Egyptian Quiz and Arabic phrase cards. Wow!
Willow	Jude	For blasting off in the fun run on Monday - what super perseverance!
	Brandon	For super perseverance in all lessons and supporting others in Maths
Yew	Jessica	For superb progress in Maths using a formal written method of multiplication.
	Thomas	For effort and perseverance when writing a lengthy biography on Harriet Tubman.

### Dates for your diary

Autumn Term	
<b>7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October</b>	New Year R Open Evenings ( <b>for September 2021 entry</b> )
<b>9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	#HelloYellow for YoungMinds
<b>16<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Jude's Ice Cream pitches
<b>20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October</b>	Parents' evening telephone appointments – online bookings will be going live next week, letter to follow on Monday
<b>26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Half Term
<b>5<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Bonfire lunch
<b>26<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	Scholastic Travelling Book Fair
<b>7<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Final week of after school clubs (excl. EnergyKidz)
<b>14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	National Flu Vaccination programme
<b>18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Last Day of Term