



20th April, 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We trust that everyone has had a great break over Easter and that you have been enjoying the lovely, warm weather. We have spent some enjoyable lunchtimes out on the field, the canopy has been erected once again over our outdoor classroom and many lessons have spilled into our outdoor environment. It has certainly lifted spirits in school; children are working hard and are excited about their learning for the summer term.

I know too that you have been inundated with communications this week. I trust that your busy schedules can allow time to read vital information and plan accordingly. It helps us with the smooth running of the school even if it may feel demanding your end; we can only apologise.

Some Easter highlights to share with you which, without the sounds, singing, dancing and re-enactments, don't do the service justice.





Parental Support

I wanted to take the time to thank so many of you for supporting all of our curriculum enrichment events such as trips out, sporting events etc. We spend a great deal of our time in school organising these and could only do them with your help in providing lifts and additional supervision (and financially backing too). Our calendar is once again very busy so many more favours may be asked of you. We do hope we can continue in the same vein.

Wraparound Care

I am delighted to officially announce that we are now able to provide wraparound care for your children with a new Breakfast and After School Club from Tuesday 5th June.

The care is based on choice philosophy; it will be a fun and happy place for children to take part in activities, arts and crafts, sports, or just chill out and enjoy the variety of toys and games available.

It is really important that parents who want this service book their places as soon as possible. This can be done via the Energy Kidz booking system, accessed from their website, which offers the flexibility to book regular sessions or just as and when needed. Our school page on their website is: <https://www.energy-kidz.co.uk/breakfast-and-after-school-clubs/twyford-st-marys-primary-school-winchester/>.

INSET Days for Academic Year 2018-19

The following dates have been approved by the Governors for next academic year –

Friday 19th October

Friday 25th January

Monday 25th February

Friday 29th March

Monday 3rd June

Gymnastics Event at Kings'

This week a team of Y3/4 children took part in a gymnastics competition at Kings' School. They had to demonstrate skills in three areas: vault, floor and body management. For some of our gymnasts, it was their first experience in a competitive gymnastics event against other schools and so the courage and perseverance on display was very impressive.

We placed a respectful 5th in the competition and have been inspired to improve our gymnastics skills even further for next year!



Tatty Bumpkin visits TSM

Ash and Beech had a visit from Tatty Bumpkin and we practised our yoga moves with her!



Save the Children

Back in the Autumn term we had a Christmas Jumper day in aid of Save the Children. This week I received a delightful letter thanking the school for coming

together and updating us with the progress of a child named Sammy. Sammy and his mother are one of the families benefitting from Save the Children's project to improve education and learning in Rwanda. Sammy is able to read a simple book aloud and has begun to use this to write simple sentences. Sammy says, "I get to know things I never knew before." Thank you for your generosity for this event.

Thank you again – you raised £219.02

Charity Vote



On Tuesday after school, there will be a charity vote on the playground. This vote is open to all members of our community so includes you!

Please make your way over to the table to learn a little about the charities represented there and cast your vote; they are all National Charities (last term we had a worldwide charity).

Lost Property

The PTA have been busy sorting the lost property from last term. All named items have now been returned to their owners. Here are some pictures of the unclaimed items. If they belong to you, please come along to second hand uniform sale after school today (Friday 20th) in the shelter and you can retrieve your items. Alternatively, please contact the school office.



Twyford PTA Trail Run – NEXT WEEK!

Up for a challenge? Come and join us for the first ever Twyford PTA Trail Run on Saturday 28th April, 2pm.

There are three distances you can enter for:

- 10k - £10 (£12 on the day) - participants must be 12 years and older
- 5k - £8 (£10 on the day) - participants must be 7 years older; children under 11 years must be accompanied by an adult
- 2k - £3 - Kids only (parents can accompany their child and don't need to register)

Entries (and more details) through: www.muddyrunners.org.uk/twyford-trail-run-2018 or www.webscorer.com/register?raceid=126924 (for registration)

Apart from many runners we will be looking for lots of volunteers to help stewarding, manning cake/drink stalls etc. Please contact Celine (07867473982) or twyfordstmaryspta@gmail.com if you can help or have any questions.

If your children want to have a practice ahead of the trail run then pop along this Sunday to the Winchester Junior parkrun at Winchester Sports Stadium (Garrison Ground) at 9.00am www.parkrun.org.uk/winchester-juniors

PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale

If you are unable to get to the sale today, there will be another sale next Friday 27th April. If you do need any uniform in the meantime, please email the school office (adminoffice@twyford-pri.hants.sch.uk) with your requirements.

Remember that all trousers, shorts, skirts and pinafores are free until further notice.

If you have any uniform that your children have outgrown please leave it in the school office – thank you!



Star of the Week

Ash	Aron	For being an Incy Independent and showing a double on a ladybird's back.
Beech	Evalyn	For being an Incy Independent in all her learning this week. Well done Evalyn!
Oak	Wilf	For his determination and good listening to feedback to improve his writing.
Sycamore	William	For superb effort and focus in both maths and English – well done!
Willow	Isabella	For her superb monologue as 'Ug' and using prepositional phrases, as well as creating another

		monologue for home learning from a different perspective. Excellent!
Yew	Katie W	For tremendous progress in reading comprehension and being able to substantiate her answers using evidence from the text.



Roll of Honour

Ash	James	For showing great courage during PE and climbing across a ladder on his own. A great Incy Independent!
	Elijah	For being a Persevering Pig, reading a long sentence with lots of 4 sound words in!
Beech	Arabella	For being an Incy Independent when writing the story Handa's Hen in her own words. Well done!
	Eveny	For super Curious Cat adjectives describing the animals that Handa meets during her search for her hen!
Oak	Amber	For showing courage and perseverance when finding fractions of amounts.
	Sophie H	For showing care for our classroom and our equipment.
Sycamore	Logan	For using the creativity learning key – lovely use of personification in your setting description.
	Mia	For super use of the success criteria – lovely adjectives and adverbials to start your sentences in interesting ways and add atmosphere.
Willow	Jack	For persevering in his writing to overcome being stuck when exploring his flashback in his monologue.
	Maggie	For her sensational reasoning about angles in an isosceles triangle when exploring missing angles.
Yew	Katie P	For her commitment to making progress in Maths through taking additional holiday home learning and for challenging herself in problem solving this week.
	Alice	For applying her prior knowledge when classifying living things into groups in Science.

Dates for your diary

Summer Term	
23rd April – 4th May	The Big Pedal
24th April	Swimming Programme starts
24th April	Charity Vote on top playground

26th April	Beech and Oak trip to Marwell Zoo
26th April	Winchester Tri Golf Tournament
27th April	PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale
28th April	PTA/Muddy Runners Fun Run – 2, 5, 10km options!
2nd May	Cross Country Event at Westgate
3rd May	Stubbington Residential Celebration Event
3rd May	Football Friendly v Otterbourne
4th May	The Big Pedal Dress-Up Day
9th May	Willow Class trip to Danebury Hill Fort – details to follow
14th – 18th May	SATS Week
17th May	Sycamore Class Parents' Lunch
18th May	Royal Wedding Street Party – Special Lunch
21st – 25th May	Walk To School Week
21st May	Yew Class Parents' Lunch
28th May – 1st June	HALF TERM
4th June	INSET day
5th June	Bikeability Week begins
8th June	Willow Class Parents' Lunch
12th June	Sycamore Class trip to Arundel Castle
12th June	Oak Class Parents' Lunch
14th June	School Photographs
20th June	Ash Class Parents' Lunch
21st June	Yr 6 Leavers' Service at Winchester Cathedral
25th June	Ash Class Parents' Lunch
28th June	Ash Class trip to Testwood Lakes
3rd July	Science Day
19th July	Yr 6 Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church
23rd July	INSET Day (last day of term)

Warm Wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H. Beckett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Mrs Hannah Beckett
Headteacher