



Thursday 13 November 2024

Dear Families,

Welcome back to another busy half term. We have already had a productive two weeks and I cannot believe we are already underway with our Advent preparations. The next few weeks in the run up to Christmas will hopefully be filled with much joy for us all.

This week we have launched our half termly value of Respect and it was lovely to meet at the Cenotaph on Monday to pay our respects to the fallen soldiers for Remembrance Day. Yesterday was odd sock day and a lot of fun was had marking the start of Anti-Bullying week and this too gave us opportunity to "choose respect" - a great song we continue to practise and look forward to sharing at next week's Good News Gathering. This Friday we will not be having our usual Friday get together as it is Children in Need (non uniform day for a £1.00 donation).

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that Monday night Club is now Craft Club with Miss Barnes which is replacing Sports Club for now. We are on the hunt for someone in our wider community to deliver Cooking Club - let us know if you feel this is something you might be interested in! We are now very close to organising a maths tutor and I am hopeful further information will come out about this next week. You may have already filled out a request regarding wraparound care and the extension of hours. If you have not filled this in, I would be really grateful if you could as we are considering opening club to nursery aged children as well, but, so far only 16 responses have been received.

Children who attend free sports club on Tuesday must complete a new form which will be sent out shortly. It is very important that we receive this to ensure safeguarding procedures are being followed. Choir, and the preparation for Young Voices, got off to a flying start with Mrs Bott on Monday. Please look out for important updates inside. Miss Jones' Wednesday Dance Club had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, but this will start up next week, apologies for the delay. It was lovely to see so many in attendance for the trial music group for babies and toddlers last week and we look forward to this starting again next week. All in all, I am delighted with the wide array of opportunities for our children that are available at Tintwistle as enrichment is such a key part of nurturing well-rounded children.

We are on the hunt for a new Parent Governor to join our board, if you feel you are up for this challenging but exciting role, please contact Sue for further information and an application form. If more than one application is received, parents will have to elect their chosen candidate. I will let you know about this in due course.

It was lovely to see you at Parents Evening and I hope this gave

you chance to hear how well your children have settled into their new classes and routines and to celebrate their many achievements over the previous half term.

Thank you for the lovely comments about our library. This area is already getting much use and a big shout out to Mrs Bott for organising the space and to the PTA for financing it.

One final thought before signing off, respect can be summarised in the words of Jesus: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." By recognising each other as fellow human beings made in the image of God, we share equal rights regardless of our differences. Respect does not mean always agreeing with the other person but listening and sharing our views to build up everybody in our special community. Thank you for the part you play in this each day.

Have a great weekend!

Mr. Mulhall

ATTENDANCE

14 October - 25 October 2024

School Target is 97%.

Parents will be contacted if attendance falls to 93%. Parents will be called in for a meeting with the Family Support Worker/Local Authority if attendance falls below 90%.

	Attendance	
Apple Class	88.89%	
Cherry Class	97.80%	
Rowan Class	92.03%	
Oak Class	95.54%	
Whole School	93.59%	

Upcoming Dates

6 December Christmas Fayre 5.00pm - 7.00pm 9 December Christmas Concert - 2.00pm Christmas Concert - 6.30pm

11 December Christmas Dinner

12 December Christmas Concert - 6.30pm

18 December Christmas Service at Christ Church 9.00am

Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Party - afternoon

20 December Christmas Pantomime - afternoon Close for Christmas and New Year

6 January Children back in school





Attendance

Whole school attendance during Autumn one has improved when compared to this time last year so thank you for your efforts to ensure your children are in school and on time. We continue to monitor absence rates and those children whose attendance is dropping significantly below our targets, will be invited in for a meeting with myself and Family Support to see where we can help. Can I please remind you to provide evidence for long term absence from your doctor, as we need this where absence as dropped into the persistent category.



Christmas

We can no longer take orders for a Christmas dinner as the order has now been sent for the food.

Can I please remind you our Christmas Fair is on the evening of 6 December and our wonderful PTA are still looking for support, please contact our PTA if you can be of assistance, either on the night or in the run up to the event. I am sure it will be a lovely festive get together to raise some funds for the children at school.



Winter Clothing

The weather is now beginning to take a downwards turn and there are rumours of snow showers next week so can you please make sure your children are suitably dressed for the inclement weather which should include coat, hat, gloves and scarf. Thank you for your support in this matter.



Yellow Group Treat

Yellow Group have now received their invitations to a Forest School pizza party on the afternoon of Monday 25 November for being our winning house last half term. Well done everyone.







Rowan Class Collective Worship

Families of children in Rowan Class are invited to class collective worship on the afternoon of Thursday 28 November at 2.55pm. They will be sharing some of their learning from their RE topic last half term and it will also be a lovely chance for you top see their RE journals, of which they are very proud!



Young Voices

As preparations are well under way for Young Voices in the new year, Mrs Bott would like to remind you that T-Shirts need to be ordered by 14 November 2024 (today!) and tickets no later than 28 November 2024. These can be ordered on the website which you have been sent the link for. Thank you for your prompt attend to this matter so you do not miss out.



Welcome to Miss Radcliffe

A big, warm welcome to Miss Radcliffe who has joined us as a Teaching Assistant in Apple class. She has spent this week getting to know the children and I am sure you will give her a lovely welcome to the Tintwistle family and you will get to know her over the coming weeks.



Volunteer Appeal

Tintwistle continues to be on the lookout for volunteers for a range and roles of responsibilities around school. If you are interested in volunteering, please make contact with Mr Mulhall in the first instance. There are many jobs in primary schools to help with the smooth running - reading with children, gardening, admin support, whatever your skillset, we want you! Even just an hour a week, every little helps. Thank you.









Opening Reading (Read by Shamiso)

Good morning and welcome back to the first Good News Gathering of Autumn 2.

We hope you all had a really good break over half term and you are looking forward to the weeks ahead.

Last week was the Hindu festival of Diwali and this beautiful lamp which Apple Class made in Forest School reminds us of light overcoming darkness and symbolises good in the world.

Looking around the school, our beautiful library area which has been spear-headed by Mrs Bott and paid for by our wonderful PTA is a great space to pick up a book or take a moment to be still and thankful for each day. The many lights help us to relax in this special space and we hope you will make the most of relaxing here!

At the end of the last half term, we celebrated our 'We have more in Common' day and our wonderful art work in the entrance hall (which everybody contributed to and was coordinated by Ali – thank you Ali!) reminds us that all are welcome at Tintwistle. Once again, we can see how the use of light brightens up and cascades this important message and reminds us of the good we do each day in lighting each other up through our words and actions.

As we embark on another busy half term, we can look to this Ephesians quote:

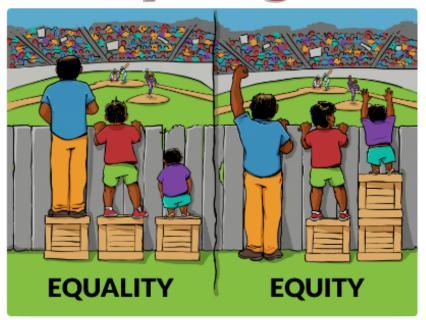
'At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of the light.'

What can you do this week and weekend to bring goodness to those around you and walk as children of the light?





Spotlight on EDIJ



This illustration demonstrates what we mean by two key terms:

Equity and Equality.

Whilst equality means giving everyone access to the same resources, some people may not be able to utilise these resources due to factors outside of their control. As such, we should always strive to put measures in place to ensure our actions at school are both equal and equitable to ensure pupils have the same experiences and do not miss out.





School Routines:

The school gates open at 8:55am.

Apple Class—School Ends 3:25pm

Cherry Class/Rowan Class/Oak Class—School Ends 3:30pm

General Reminders:

Children in Cherry Class/Rowan Class/Oak Class come to school in their PE kit on their PE day. Pumps can be left in school.

Cherry Class need to bring their book bag on a Wednesday and they will be given back out on a Friday with new homework, library and reading book. Homework back must be back in each Wednesday.

Rowan Class should have their book bags in daily.

Rowan goes out on a Friday and should be in by the following Thursday.

Homework in Oak Class goes out on a Thursday and comes in on a Thursday, children in Oak Class should bring their reading books in daily.

SCHOOL UNIFORM/PE DAYS

Thank you for your support in sending children in in their PE kits. Please do send pumps in to school for the children's pegs for indoor activities.

PE Days

Forest School Days

Apple Class - Tuesday Cherry Class - Tuesday Rowan Class- Monday Oak Class- Wednesday Apple Class - Wednesday pm Rowan Class - Friday pm

Tintwistle Teacher Clubs Next Week: TBC

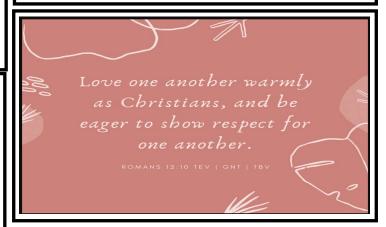
DATE	TIME	TEACHER & CLUB	CLASSES
Monday	3.30	Mrs Bott Choir	2, 3 & 4
Wednesday	12.30	Homework Club	All
Wednesday	3:30	Dance Club	3 & 4

CLUBS

Clubs fill up fast due the wide range of exciting activities on offer, please do book sessions as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. We are now able to offer up to 15 places per club. Please book by email to

clubbookings@tintwistle.derbyshire.sch.uk

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNES- DAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning	8.00- 8.55am £5	800- 8.55am £5	8.00- 8.55am £5	8.00- 8.55am £5	8.00- 8.55am £5
After School	CRAFT CLUB	MESSY SCIENCE	FOREST SCHOOL	CREATION CLUB	LEGO CLUB
	3.30 - 5.30pm £5p/h	3.30 - 5.30pm £5p/h	3.30 - 5.30pm £5p/h	3.30 - 5.30pm £5p/h	3.30-5.30pm £5p/h
		KS2 Sports 3.30- 4.30pm free			
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ENRICHMENT AFTERNOON

From the 20th September 'Golden Time' will not be on the timetable as we have replaced this with an 'Enrichment Afternoon' Activities will be on a half termly rotation.

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