



NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th May 2024

Dear Families

Isn't it lovely that the sun is finally starting to visit us with a bit more consistency? It certainly lifts the spirits and is helping us in school to let our light shine a little brighter! We have crammed a lot into the past two weeks even though they have been a bit shorter due to INSET days and the Bank Holiday.

In this week's newsletter I have some feedback from the surveys which have been sent out in regards to the Reception and Year One mix, a reminder about SATS next week, and our usual updates about what we have been learning about in class.

Our Nursery children have been busy reading a new book 'Octopants', learning about a funny octopus who is in need of some suitable underwear to fit his many tentacles! We also have another new starter - so a BIG welcome to Heidi who has been looking forward to starting at Tintwistle for a very long time and finally she has! Miss Pickering is very proud of how she has settled in so quickly!

In Reception and Year One, the children have been learning all about capacity so there have been lots of investigations and measuring jobs to help unpick this tricky concept! They have also been having fun doing some colour mixing and I look forward to seeing the super artwork which has been produced.

Our Year Two children had a surprise box arrive earlier in the week and have found a cloud that needs to be taken care of! They have been making sure he doesn't melt and working out what he needs to keep his happy side on show!

In Year Three and Four, Miss Cheadle's children have also had a surprise arrival—a ROBOTIC VACUUM—linked to their new book 'Until I met Dudley'. Mr Bott will be pleased if this can help with the nightly jobs! We look forward to hearing what this exciting book is all about!

Finally, a big shout out to our Year Five and Year Six children who have had a quiet but focused week as SATS are on the horizon. We could not be prouder of our Year Six children and just want them to try their best, we already think they are brilliant.

Do not forget Monday to Thursday next week is SATs club for Year 6 only, from 8.30am, and we look forward to seeing them there. I have been really proud of how the children represented us at Cyclocross last week, Quad kKds this week, and next week we have 16 children attending Football Frenzy from Miss Cheadle's class. We get such a lot out of Glossopdale Sports Partnership and it is great that so many of our children get to represent Tintwistle School in wider curricular activities.

In collective worship we have been reflecting on the Corinthians quote 'Let all that you do be done in love' and so as we move into this lovely, summer weekend, I hope you are able to find and share love with one another.

M Mulhall



ATTENDANCE

4 September 2023 to 3 May 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
Class 1	93.32%
Class 2	89.01%
Class 3	95.23%
Class 4	95.42%
Class 5	89.32%
Whole School	92.21%

Upcoming Dates

- 13 May - SATs week for Year 6
- 24 May - School closes for one week
- 3 June - School re-opens
- 5 June - Dental check for 5 year olds
- 24 June - INSET day
- 1 July - St Philip Howard transition week Year 6
- 2 July - Year 5 Bikeability - PROVISIONAL DATE
- 5 July - Year 5 Bikeability - PROVISIONAL DATE
- 5 July - Glossopdale transition day Year 6
- 19 July - Move up day
- 22 July - Reception move up day am only
- 23 July - Sports Day
- 23 July - Leavers Service at Christ Church
- 4 September - Close for Summer holiday
- 5 September - INSET day
- 16 September - School re-opens
- 16 September - School photographs



Feedback from Reception and Year 1 Survey

Following on from the two surveys sent out regarding the changes to Reception and Year One for the summer term, I would like to provide some feedback and to talk about our next steps.

We received twelve responses to the week one survey and ten responses for the week two survey. As both surveys were identical, I am providing highlights of the week two survey outlined below, but, please be aware these figures are based on 10 respondents out of 27.

- 100% of children are happy to come to school.
- 80% of children have settled in to new routines (20% recorded a neutral answer for this).
- 100% feel their children are getting access to their learning.
- 70% are enjoying being with their peers (20% recorded a neutral answer for this, 10% said the class is too noisy).
- 100% are aware of improvements outside Reception/Year 1.
- 90% know that Reception children return to the unit for afternoon learning.
- 100% are aware of some or all of the structure.
- 60% disagree to children returning to previous classes, (30% do want children to return to previous classes, 10% neutral answer for this).

Having reviewed the survey results I would like, to reassure you that we are looking at how to minimise noise levels, by making even more use of the EYFS unit and outdoor space during good weather. In terms of the feedback received and the number of responses to the survey, I feel it would not be appropriate to move the children back in to their previous classes, as the overwhelming majority appear well settled and happy in their current class. From a transition point of view I feel that this will be really beneficial as I am shortly due to announce the staffing structure for 2024/25 which includes a mixed Year 1 and Year 2 class. That being said, I am mindful of, and do take on board any concerns and would like to invite in any families who would like to discuss this decision further, as I want you to be happy with the education your child is receiving, which includes the location they are being taught in.

I would like to thank you all for your support during this period of transition and a big thank you must go to the teaching staff who ensure your children are loving their learning each day. Thank you as well for the kind comments and offers of support which have included parents providing equipment for the outdoor area including tyres and cable wheels. We are still waiting for furniture to be delivered which has been delayed due to unforeseen circumstances.



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School Routines:

The school gates open at 8:55am.
CLASS 1,2 & 3—School Ends 3:25pm

General Reminders:

Pumps can be left in school.

CLASS 2, 3 and 4 should have their book bags in daily.

Homework in CLASS 2, 3 and 4 goes out on a Friday and should be in by the following Thursday.

CLASS 5 should bring their reading books in daily.

CLASS 5 homework goes out on a Thursday and comes in on a Thursday.

CLUBS

Clubs are continuing to fill up fast due the wide range of exciting activities on offer, please do book sessions as soon as possible to avoid disappointment by email to clubbookings@tintwistle.derbyshire.sch.uk

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5	8.00-8.55am £5
After School	ENGINEERING & ROBOTICS CLUB 3.30-5.30pm £6 first hour £10 for 2 hours	SPORTS CLUB £5p/h SPORTS CLUB 3.30-4.30pm Y3-Y6 FREE	FOREST SCHOOL 3.30-5.30pm £5p/h	CREATION CLUB 3.30-5.30pm £5p/h	LEGO CLUB 3.30-5.30pm £5p/h

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

Class 1 - Wednesday
Class 2 - Tuesday
Class 3 - Thursday
Class 4 - Monday & Tuesday
Class 5 - Wednesday

Forest School Days

Nursery - Tuesday pm
Reception - Friday pm



Logan - Happy 10th birthday
Nicole - Happy 7th birthday
Rowan - Happy 10th birthday
Isla - Happy 7th birthday

Tintwistle Clubs Next Week:

DATE	TIME	TEACHER & CLUB	CLASSES
Wednesday	12.30	Miss Jones	Classes 2, 3, 4 & 5
Thursday	12.30	Mrs Vitti Homework Club	Classes 2, 3, 4 & 5
Friday	12.30	Choir Mrs Bott	Classes 2, 3, 4 & 5



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