

Friday 16th September



# Tunstead Primary Newpage

## Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear all

I am delighted that we are back and a busy term has begun at Tunstead. All children have settled quickly into their new classes and are starting to build new relationships with their new class teachers and teaching assistants. It is lovely to have Mrs Armstrong back in school after her maternity leave and Oak Class are quickly learning the routines at Tunstead. Please take a look at the school website as it is updated over the next few weeks and ensure you pay particular attention to your child's class page- it should contain details of their learning, homework, trips and any visits and photos.

As always if you need to discuss anything please contact your child's class teacher via the school office or email Mr Birkinshaw or myself directly.

Kind regards  
Rebecca Quinn

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### September

19th - Bank Holiday. School Closed for the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

22nd - ESafety event at Broadland High OA. Parent session 7 - 8:30pm.

28th - Aylsham open evening 4:30/7pm

29th - Broadland open evening 6:30pm  
- North Walsham open evening 5:30pm

#### October

5th - Harvest assembly

7th - Sycamore Hickling Broad trip (TBC)

24th-28th - Half term holidays

31st - Whole school flu immunisations

#### November

2nd - The Tunstead Challenge. 1:30pm. Parents invited (TBC)

7th - Individual school photos

7th - Birch Class bikeability

### CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
<b>WEEKLY ATTENDANCE</b>	91.34%	96.14%	87.76%	92.66%
<b>A.O.B.</b>	Wednesday's we have Forest School, and library books and story sacks are changed on a Thursday. All children must have wet weather wear which is to stay in school.	We've had a busy but fun start to term. Our focus story is "Where the Wild Things Are". In Maths we are focussing on numbers. Next week we will start with the new Little Wandle phonics scheme.	Just a reminder that we swim on a Monday and PE is on a Thursday.	PE is on a Tuesday. I am so proud of how Birch have settled into the new school routines this year. We are exploring science fiction texts in English, and completing number and place value tasks in Maths.

## CELEBRATING SUCCESS

### Headteacher's

#### Award

#### Poppy L

For helping others at lunchtime and sharing how to help too. Well done Poppy!

### Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - **Corey** for some marvellous mathematics!

Sycamore - **Theo F** for his concerted contributions of actions for 'talking the text' and full involvement each time we practice it!

Conifer - **Mia-May** for working collaboratively with others and challenging herself!

Birch - **Edward** for excellent engagement in lessons and working hard to apply new learning!

### House Point

#### Leaderboard

1st - Swallowtail 177

2nd - Otter 123

3rd - Harrier 108

4th - Bittern 89

## Assembly Focus

We have changed our assemblies a little for this year to focus on different topics or areas that are important to our school.

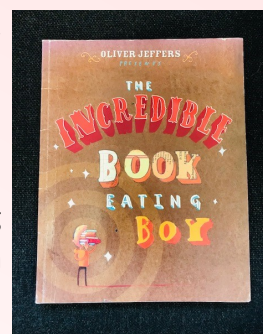
On Monday mornings, we start the week looking at our core values as well as events in the news. This week, we talked about the idea of collaboration and helping others, and we took inspiration from Queen Elizabeth II and how she lived her life in service to the nation. We spoke about how we can help each other in school and serve the school community. An example of this was when Kayla was playing outside Poppy was trying to engage her and shared with Mr Birkinshaw that they found running with her like a race had helped the previous day. This did indeed help and Kayla really enjoyed it. Thank you Poppy!

On Tuesday afternoons, we have singing assemblies with Mrs Armstrong. This week they were singing songs from the Sound of Music including the classic "Do-Re-Mi".

On Wednesday mornings, we alternate between reading assemblies and assemblies run by the Reverend Liz Jump of the Wroxham Benefice. This week we had a reading assembly with Miss Beckett, who shared one of her favourite books with the school, "The Incredible Book Eating Boy".

On Thursdays we have in-class assemblies, with a chance to reflect on events in the news or to discuss topics that have come up in class.

On Friday afternoons the week ends with our gold book assembly, where we celebrate big achievements that pupils have made each week, as well as sharing any competition results and the hotly contested house point totals for the week.



## Tunstead Friends

The Friends of school held their AGM on 12th September and members were elected into their new roles. Miss C. Rose as chair, Mrs L. Bidwell as treasurer and Mrs A. Yergol as secretary. Miss E. Johns and Mrs L. Coston as committee members. We're a small committee who welcome ideas from parents of ways to raise money and organise events you would like to see for yourselves and children. We have some fun plans in place which will hopefully raise some funds too. Dates and plans will follow in the next newsletter. Please catch one of us at school if you have any ideas or can offer any help. A big thank you to Mrs Bidwell for all her hard work as chair

## FOREST SCHOOL

Oak Class have had their first session of Forest School and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We hunted for mini-beasts, made a roast dinner in the Mud Café and dug up potatoes from our garden.

We would also like to say a big thank you to Colin and Jack for helping build our new outside water wall :)

