

Friday 30th September



# Tunstead Primary Newspaper

## Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

This week has definitely had an autumn feel, particularly when it has come to the changeable weather. Following our forest school approach of continuing whatever the weather, can I please remind all families to send their children in with coats every day so that they can get outside whenever possible. These coats should also be named, as we always have some left over at the end of the day and we would like to return them to their rightful owners.

It has been good to see our extra-curricular clubs restarting this week with dance club on Tuesday, where the children really enjoyed getting to grips with many different creative dance challenges set to a range of music, from chart hits to Disney classics. The children who attended seemed to really enjoy themselves, and there are still a couple of spaces available should your child want to take up the sessions on a Tuesday after school.

We have more clubs starting from next week, with Norwich City Community Foundation running a football club on Tuesdays, and Mrs Beckett is starting up cross country on Wednesday mornings from 8.15am.

There will also be an open trial for the school football team next Wednesday lunchtime, ahead of a tournament between local schools in just over two weeks' time. If your child in in Years 4-6 and would like to be considered for the team, then they need to come to school in PE kit on Wednesday (no boots or shinpads needed at this point).

And finally, a reminder about safety around collection time at the end of the day. All children should be collected from the school playground at the end of the day, unless they are in Birch class and have been given specific permission to walk home alone. Children should not be called from the other side of the street to come to them without an adult, as the road outside school at the end of the day is a busy one. Staff will not release the child in this circumstance, as we want to make sure all our children leave school safely. We thank you for your support with this.

Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend.

Sam Birkinshaw

Deputy Head

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### October

- 4th - After school Football Club starts
- 5th - KS2 Running Club, 8:15am start
  - Harvest assembly for children
- 7th - Sycamore Hickling Broad trip
- 13th & 14th - Friends uniform sale
- 19th - Cluster football event
- 19th - 21st Pumpkin carving competition
- 20th - Friends Halloween Disco
- 21st - 2023 Reception Class open morning
  - Sycamore Class Wild Rumpus Day
- 24th-28th - Half term holidays
- 31st - Whole school flu immunisations

#### November

- 2nd - The Tunstead Challenge. 1:30pm. Parents invited (TBC)
- 7th - Individual school photos

### CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
<b>WEEKLY ATTENDANCE</b>	95.24%	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	95.83%
<b>A.O.B.</b>	Oak Class have been innovating their own story books, based on Dear Zoo. We have also been junk modelling, crafting and illustrating our writing.	We are getting excited about our trip to Hickling NWT next week, and hope that everyone enjoyed the cakes from our bake sale!		

## CELEBRATING SUCCESS

### Headteacher's Award

#### Elijah

For his excellent phonics and writing work! Well done Elijah

### Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - **Zach** for fabulous phonics!

Sycamore - **Ted** for his mature and conscientious attitude to carpet-time learning and being a great role model for the rest of the class! And also **Amber** for overcoming learning which she has found challenging by finding her inner determination and resilience to keep going!

Conifer - **Ethan** for resilience in his writing and **Jack B** for resilience in all his work!

Birch - **Poppy F** for consistently working hard across all subjects!

### House Point

#### Leaderboard

1st - Swallowtail 263

2nd - Harrier 204

3rd - Otter 200

4th - Bittern 170

## Tunstead Friends



Friday 30th September at 2pm will be the first Friends of Tunstead Primary School cuppa and cake events at the Horse and Groom pub, Tunstead. It would be great to see as many parents and carers there, to meet new people and find out more about the Friends plans. We would love to hear your ideas of how the funds could be spent.

A uniform sale will take place on the 13th and 14th October so any donations would be gratefully received the week before.

Excitement is building for our first disco in a long time with tickets selling well. The Halloween Disco is Thursday 20th October years R-2 at 4-5pm, years 3-6 at 5:15-6:45pm. Tickets are still available for £2.50 via BOPP <https://bopp.app/link/1p4ue> or Honor at the school gate, don't forget to include a song choice.

A pumpkin competition will be held 19th to 21st October with pumpkins to be brought into school on the 19th October, and judging will take place on the 21st.



## Assembly Focus

In assembly on Monday we joined together with St Johns for a collaborative, Federation-wide assembly. We spoke about how working together with others can help us to achieve things we have found tricky, and we also spoke about the need to show resilience and determination to keep going towards our targets.

## FOREST SCHOOL

We have had a lovely afternoon splashing in the rain, learning to play stuck in the mud, followed by delicious hot chocolate and marshmallows.

Please remember to send in spare socks!