



Friday 27th January

Tunstead Primary Newspaper

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

Dear parents,

This week in school the children and staff have carefully been considering the suggestions of the school council for charities to raise money for in school. After some good discussions and voting I am pleased to say that as a school we will be supporting Cancer Research UK. It was also lovely to see Conifer class's parents and carers in school on Thursday morning to watch the performance of the class's play they have produced as part of their English lessons this term. The children came up with all the ideas, scripts and costumes themselves, and it was such a delight to see their confidence grow from performing to an audience. Thank you also to Mrs Pleasants, Mrs Shipley and Mrs Mannix for helping Conifer to bring their ideas to fruition, and to all the adults who came to watch too. Thank you to all those who have sent in extra shoes with the children this week. They have really enjoyed making the most of the extra freedoms this brings at lunchtime to use the entirety of our school playground and field.

Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend.

Rebecca Quinn

DATES FOR THE DIARY

February

- 8th - Birch Class Little Shop of Horrors production at BHOA 3:40pm pick-up
- 9th - Valentine's Disco
- 13th - 17th half-term

March

- 3rd - Oak Class Thrigby trip (TBC)
- 24th - School reports home
- 27th - Cluster Rugby

April

- 3rd - 17th Easter Holiday
- 28th - Conifer Bikeability

May

- 8th - Bank Holiday
- 18th - Class photos
- 22nd - Year 6 Crucial Crew
- 25th - Year 6 Gresham STEAM event
- 29th - 2nd June half-term

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	87.39%	88.46%	89.5%	94.5%
A.O.B.	It was lovely to spend the day with Mr Williams who will be looking after Oak Class following Mrs Armstrong's operation	Keep up with the reading! We are seeing so much progress- well done!	Thank you to all parents who came to watch the drama performance. Please remember swimming on Monday next week	Well done on your Tibicenca prequals – they were amazing!

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Headteacher's Award

Evie W for her
commitment to
extra writing at
home

Well done Evie!

Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - **Talulah** for her dedicated work ethic to learning!

Sycamore - **Marcie** for consistently working hard and challenging herself in all areas of learning!

Conifer - **Conifer Class** for confidently performing in front of parents!

Birch - **Phoebe** for improved confidence and excellent problem solving in Maths!

House Points

1st - Otter 1692

2nd - Swallowtail 1679

3rd - Bittern 1447

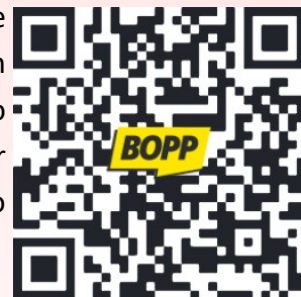
4th - Harrier 1334

School Council

The school has voted and chosen Cancer Research UK as our charity to support throughout this year. Keep your eyes peeled for future fundraising events.

TUNSTEAD FRIENDS

Tickets are selling well for the Valentine disco on Thursday 9th February. Oak Class and Sycamore 3:15 to 4:15pm. **Oak class parents will need to attend with their children.** Children will get changed in their classrooms before the disco starts. Conifer and Birch will be held 4:30 to 5:30pm. Purchase tickets via BOPP using the paylink on the email or scanning the QR Code on this newsletter. If you would prefer to pay by cash, that's fine. Cash payments must be handed to Honor in a sealed envelope with the name and class name of child(ren). Correct money must be in the envelope as we cannot issue change. Please write your email address on the envelope so we can confirm receipt and give any necessary information. If your child would like to request a song to be played please email tfriends5wra@nsix.org.uk with their name and class details and our DJ will do her best. If any parents would like to stay and help please speak to one of the friends or email us on the above email.



ASSEMBLY

In Monday's assembly, Mr Birkinshaw spoke about the role of influencers and YouTubers online, and how they can try to promote particular things without making it clear they are adverts. We spoke about the example of Prime drinks, which were promoted a lot online and lots of people went to buy them as they saw others online wanted them too. The key message from the assembly was to consider why people may be talking about particular products, and to look out for #ad or mentions of sponsors.

FOREST SCHOOL

Oak Class have been discussing how we look after the environment around us. Some children said they like looking after the birds in their garden by feeding them and giving them water. We talked about how damaging litter is around the world, especially in the seas and ocean.

As part of Sycamore's topic of Traditional Tales, we have been making our own characters using wood and tools.

Please don't forget to send in extra socks, gloves and hats for the cold afternoons!