



Friday 17th March

# Tunstead Primary Newspaper

## Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

### SCHOOL MESSAGE

Dear parents,  
 Another busy week in school seems to have flown by, and with more events still to come in our final two weeks before the Easter holidays.  
 Today in school it has been lovely to see the children dressed in many different shades and styles of red for Red Nose Day, and a particular thank you to all those who have donated money today.  
 This week we also found out that Mrs Armstrong will be away from school for a little longer than originally planned, while she continues her recovery from her shoulder operation. She is now hoping to be back with us at the start of May, and we wish her all well for her recovery. We are pleased to say that Mr Williams has agreed to stay on to teach Oak class for 4 days a week after Easter, with Mrs Farrow (an experienced EYFS teacher who previously worked at St Johns) covering Tuesdays.  
 This week has also seen our Year 6s taking part in their practice SATs week, and Mr Birkinshaw has reported back to me to say that they should be really proud of how maturely they have handled the week. He also wanted to thank the rest of the school for their consideration in how they moved around the building during these times, as it is an important practice in logistics too for the actual SATS week which begins on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May this year.  
 Over the last two weeks of term we have a number of events coming up in school: our Easter Fair, run by the Tunstead Friends, on 30th March; our rugby team are making their final preparations for the local school's festival on the final Monday of the term, and then the following day Birch class are off on an exciting Victorian 'Who Dunit?' to Gressenhall Farm, complete with Victorian-inspired costumes.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

March

- 24th - School reports home
- 27th - Cluster Rugby
- 28th - Birch Class Gressenhall trip
- 29th - Friends donate a bag fundraiser
  - Special Easter Lunch
- 30th - Friends Easter Event 3-5pm

April

- 3rd - 17th Easter Holiday
- 18th - Back to school
  - New Spring/Summer lunch menu
- 24th - Birch Class start swimming
- 26th - Cluster netball
- 28th - Conifer Bikeability

May

- 1st - Bank Holiday
- 8th - Bank Holiday
- 9th - 12th Yr 6 SATs

### CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
<b>WEEKLY ATTENDANCE &amp; AOB</b>	<b>92.37%</b>	<b>99.07%</b>	<b>98.29%</b>	<b>94.93%</b>
<b>We would be very grateful for any chocolate donations for the tombola or prizes for the raffle ready for the Friends Easter Event</b>	Please bring in a small bottle with a lid for 'message in a bottle' writing. Thank you for your continued support	To all our Mums, Nans and Aunties- have a wonderful Mother's Day from us all in Sycamore class!	Conifer have been working on developing their descriptions within their writing this week	Not long now until our Gressenhall Farm Victorian day trip. Please return all slips and enjoy getting your costumes ready

## Celebrating Success

### Headteacher's

#### Award

**Poppy L** for her increasing self confidence and resilience!

#### House Points

1st - Otter 2780

2nd - Swallowtail 2705

3rd - Bittern 2420

4th - Harrier 2182

### Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - **Kayla** for using words more frequently and for joining in with friends

Sycamore - **Logan** for hard work in improving his presentation of work!

Conifer - **Cody** for resilience in PE and developing the confidence to perform in front of others

Birch - **Mia** for her improved accuracy and resilience in Maths

### School Council

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations for Comic Relief. We have raised £77.68!



## Tunstead Friends

As you are all aware, Thursday 30th March 3-5pm is our Easter Event. Tickets for the hunt are £2.50 per child to be paid for in advance via Bopp or the correct cash given to Honor in a named envelope. There will be a raffle, chocolate tombola, crafts and games as well as refreshments. We would be very grateful for any donations of chocolate or raffle prizes please. These can be brought to school and either given to one of the Friends or to Honor.

Donations for bags2schools will need to be brought to school on the morning of Wednesday 29th March by 9am.

If you have any ideas for future events please let us know in person or email [tfriendswra@nsix.org.uk](mailto:tfriendswra@nsix.org.uk). We would love to hear your ideas so we can cater for everyone.

**CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA** **EASTER RAFFLE**

**JOIN OUR EASTER EGG HUNT**

**THURSDAY 30TH MARCH 3-5PM**

Free admission. £2.50 per child to take part in the hunt to be purchased in advance via Bopp or cash to Honor with name of child.  
<https://bopp.app/link/lvi2y>

Friends invite you to take part in an afternoon of Easter fun, crafts and games. (charity number 1039818)

The poster features a pink circular background with white daisies and illustrations of rabbits. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

## Forest School

Forest School will be open for the Easter activities on Thursday 30th March 3-5pm

There will be hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows for £1

Weather dependant!

