



Tunstead Primary Newspaper

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

Dear parents
 Wednesday saw our (slightly early) World Book Day events in school, and it was lovely to spend the day in school seeing the children dressed up in many varied and interesting ways to represent words they have learned from their reading or want to include in their own stories. From the ‘entertainment’ of a clown to the ‘creative’ costume made from scratch, and even an ‘exhausted’ representation of a parent with a newborn, it was great to see Tunstead children expressing their own personalities and thoughts in different ways.
 It was also great to see their creative skills being used and developed in their drama workshop sessions with Laura from the Big Bubble Theatre. Oak and Sycamore got to grips with Jack and the Beanstalk while Conifer and Birch were immersed in Matilda.
 From Monday, our gate will open from 8.15am for any Year 6s wishing to come in earlier to work on English and Maths activities, but all other pupils including siblings of Year 6s should arrive at school for their normal times.
 And finally, a reminder that there is a meeting on Tuesday afternoon from 2.30pm for Year 6 parents about what to expect in the run up to and during SATS week in May. If your child is not in Year 6, but you would be interested to find out more about what happens, then you are welcome to pop along or check out the information from the session when it is uploaded to the school website after the meeting.
 Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- March
- 6th - SAT revision sessions start
 - Every morning 8:15-8:35 revision
 - Every Tuesday 3-4pm Maths
 - Every Wednesday 3-4pm English
 - 8th - KS1 girls Shooting Stars at the UEA
 - 24th - School reports home
 - 27th - Cluster Rugby
 - 28th - Birch Class Gressenhall trip
 - 29th - Friends donate a bag fundraiser
 - 30th - Friends Easter Event 3-5pm
- April
- 3rd - 17th Easter Holiday
 - 24th - Birch Class start swimming
 - 26th - Cluster netball
 - 28th - Conifer Bikeability
- May
- 1st - Bank Holiday

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	88.98%	96.15%	92.34%	92.66%
A.O.B. Please remember to send your child with a healthy packed lunch. We strongly discourage chocolate bars in lunch boxes	In preparation of recreating the New York skyline in Oak Class next week, we would appreciate boxes and tubs please	Please do keep reading daily and checking Google Class for any homework. Thank you	Thank you to all who supported World Book Day. Costumes were amazing! We enjoyed reading with those parents able to come on Wednesday	Reminder that Y6 before and after school maths and English sessions start next week, and there is a parent meeting about SATS on Tuesday afternoon

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Headteacher's

Award

Markus V for his open-minded approach to trying new challenges

House Points

1st - Otter 2401

2nd - Swallowtail 2321

3rd - Bittern 2036

4th - Harrier 1855

Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - **Corey** for working hard in maths when comparing numbers

Sycamore - **Amber** for responding to feedback on how to improve her learning and selecting great smiles for her poem

Conifer - **Annabelle** for her mature attitude towards both her learning and relationships with her peers

Birch - **Mirabelle** for her mature approach to discussing a difficult topic within her writing

School Council

Thank you to members of the school council for helping to sell books yesterday. We are meeting next week to discuss future fundraising ideas.

Children can put ideas in their class suggestion box. Also, please can parents and staff complete the short School Council survey available at <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1uh3ziQrfwnhW1CclmWGxLr-DfbHJgaqWJBofJPg3S48/edit>

TUNSTEAD FRIENDS

The Friends of Tunstead are excited to be helping you with your 'Spring Clean'! They have organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School (bag2school.com) in order to raise funds for the school. Your child will have come home with a donation bag which you can fill with all of your textiles (yes to clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and socks). It's a great opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and recycle any of your unwanted items. Not only will this divert textiles away from landfill but the school will also raise funds based on the weight of the bags donated and each bag will receive 10 house points for their respective house! Don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well. You can use your own bin liners if you need more bags - there's no limit! Please bring your bag (bags!) to the front playground between **8-9am on Wednesday 29 March** only. Thanks so much for your continued support and happy recycling. For more details see the parental letter or bag2school.com

ASSEMBLY

On Monday, our Picture News assembly focused on the changing role of money in our lives, and in particular about the role of electronic spending and cryptocurrencies. The children were able to identify that there are only a few transactions that we use physical money for these days (such as their trips to get sweets and chocolate that they pointed out!), and we discussed the importance of being aware of spending when just clicking/tapping a button as this is harder to notice when money is low versus not having anything left in your purse/wallet.

Photos from World Book Day

