



Tunstead Primary Newspaper

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

Dear parents and carers,
 Our first full week of term is drawing to a close, and it has great to see how settled the children have been and their focus on learning throughout the day. From a surprise visit by the Gruffalo to Sycamore class to inspire their writing, all the way up to learning about the ancient civilisations around Baghdad in Birch class's history lessons, it is great to see the enthusiasm the children are showing for learning.

With all lessons now up and running, I would like to remind families about clothing for PE and forest school days. For both of these sessions, children should not be wearing earrings and would need to either take them out at home in the morning before school, or be able to take them out themselves at school before the lesson. For forest school days, children should come to school in non-uniform clothing that has long sleeves and trousers, and is suitable for the weather. For Oak class, they can leave their waterproofs/wellies in school for use in the outside area each day if needed.

Today, I and the rest of the staff team had the pleasure of judging the poster competition for our new houses. Thank you to all the children who submitted an entry, showing off an array of artistic styles and talents, but well done to our winners: - **Olivia L, Grace, Chad and Emily!**

On Monday, I joined our Tunstead Friends for their AGM, where the committee reflected on their successful fundraising for last year and began planning for events and how to spend the money raised to help enhance their experiences during their time at Tunstead. Our Tunstead Friends committee is currently a small but very committed group of parents and family members, and we thank them for all the extra time they put in to helping our community. Should you, or another family member, have an interest in helping to organise or run some of their events then please get in touch.

One way you can both meet our Tunstead Friends Committee, and also meet other parents and families, is at the stay and play event after school on Monday (18th). Families are invited to come onto the school playground (and field if this weather is dry enough) from 3.15pm to play some games and enjoy time together with their friends either new or old. We look forward to seeing you there on Monday, and wish you all a happy weekend.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

September

- 18th** - Yr 6 Crucial Crew
 - 3:15 - 4:15 Friends Stay & Play
- 19th** - RSHE parents meeting 9am
- 28th** - Broadland OA open evening

October

- 5th** - Brunch for lunch
- 17th** - Reception open morning for September 2024 intake
- 23rd-27th** Half Term

November

- 6th** - Individual and sibling photos
- 22nd** - Sycamore Theatre Royal trip TBC
 - Flu immunisations
- 27th - 30th** Birch Bikeability
- 29th** - Yr6 National Height and Weight checks

December

- 14th** - Sherignham Little Theatre whole school trip TBC

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & AOB	85.33%	98.57%	99.7%	99.44%
	Well done Oak Class for settling in so well to new routines and making many new friends.	Some amazing reading going on at home! Please ensure the Wandle book is read three times before requesting a change on a Mon/Thurs. Thank you	Just a reminder that homework is set on the Google classroom and can be accessed through your child's nsix account.	Birch Class have had a brilliant week! They've written poems and have been coding on Purple Mash. Don't forget that Year 6 have Crucial Crew on Monday 18th.

Celebrating Success

Headteacher's Award

Kai for his
keenness to
complete extra
learning!



Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - **Teddy P** for being inquisitive and curious, exploring his new classroom and joining in with new activities.

Sycamore - **Albie** demonstrated great determination in Maths, and **Alex** for producing an amazing story through having high expectations of himself

Conifer - **Freddie H** for resilience and determination in his work

Birch - **Jenson** for being a ray of sunshine and approaching all tasks with positivity!

House Points

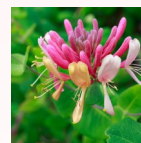
1st - 107 points Poppy

2nd - 81 points Bluebell

3rd - 69 points

Honeysuckle

4th - 69 points Buttercup



Tunstead Friends

The Friends AGM took place on Monday and we welcome Sarah to our committee. Catherine will remain the chair, with Lisa as treasurer and Alice as secretary. We have Di as a committee member. We are a small committee so value support from the other parents and family members to run our events. Speak to one of the committee members if you have any questions or are interested in helping.

We are excited to be hosting our first party in the playground on Monday 18th September. We are looking forward to seeing you all to meet new and old friends. We will have second hand uniform available for a small donation. Staff have shared some pictures of their younger selves so let's see if you can identify who's who. This is a free afternoon to bring everyone together. All welcome.

Forest School



It has been lovely to see the children back into the Forest School area.

Oak Class have been learning about the rules and were very busy investigating the different areas. A favourite was finding shiny pink beans hidden in their jackets (runner beans).

Sycamore class have begun learning about harvest, we have thrashed some wheat heads, separated the wheat from the chaff and are beginning to grind the grain to make flour. It's quite time consuming!

Please remember to send in children dressed in their suitable clothing. Waterproofs should be provided along with wellies

