



Friday 8th September

Tunstead Primary Newspaper

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to a new year at Tunstead Primary, and it has certainly been a warm welcome back with all the sunshine this week. It has been lovely to see everyone back in the building, and to see some new faces too. We have welcomed our new Reception pupils, who have all done amazingly well with their first days in school, as well as some new faces in the other classes across the school too.

To help everyone to settle back in and to make some new friendships, our amazing Tunstead Friends are holding a stay and play after school on Monday 18th September. This is also a great time for families to get to know each other, and I hope you will join us. I have heard rumours of a few different games to try out, including one identifying photos of staff when they were younger. The new school year brings with it some changes in school too, and we have been pleased to welcome Mrs Chapman and Mrs Warrington to the team. Both have joined as teaching assistants and work across Oak and Sycamore classes. We have also launched new houses for this year, to help re-balance the teams and also to link them more closely to our school environment. The new houses are named after local flowers – poppy, bluebell, buttercup and honeysuckle – and all of these can be found in our forest school area too at different times across the year.

And finally, one reminder to families about the snacks you send in for your children. The children should be coming to school with a healthy snack, which should not include crisps, chocolate or sweets. From next week we will be monitoring this and encouraging children and families to make this healthy change. I thank you for your support on this.

Wishing you all a happy weekend in the sun.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

September

11th - 9am Friends AGM all welcome

13th - First session of Conifer Class swimming

18th - Yr 6 Crucial Crew

- 3:15 - 4:15 Friends Stay & Play

October

23rd-27th Half Term

November

6th - Individual and sibling photos

22nd - Flu immunisations

27th - 30th Birch Bikeability

29th - Yr6 National Height and Weight checks

December

20th - Last day of term

January

4th - Back to school

February

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & AOB	82%	98.57%	100%	99.14%
	Monday - Show & Tell, please bring in a teddy.	Monday - PE	A reminder that Conifer are swimming on Wednesday next week.	Birch class have had a fantastic first week back at school! Just a reminder that PE will be every Thursday
	Wednesday - Forest School. Please come already dressed in appropriate clothing.	Tuesday - Forest School	They will need a swimming costume, towel goggles and a swimming hat named in a bag.	
	Thursday - bring back library book.			

Celebrating Success

Headteacher's Award

Cody W for being a kind and caring friend...well done Cody!!



Class Golden Award Winners

Oak - Harriet for setting high expectations for herself in every task and **Oak Class** for having a fantastic first three days and settling in to your new class

Sycamore - Caitlynne, Harris and Hermione for settling into our school so well, as well as the whole of **Sycamore Class** for adjusting to years 1 and 2.

Conifer - Jack P for determination in his learning this week and collaborating with others. And also a special mention for the whole of **Conifer Class** for their mature attitude in settling into the new school year

Birch - Ryan has been a fantastic role model and always exhibits excellent behaviours for learning. **Birch Class** have settled in incredibly well, we are very proud of them.

House Points

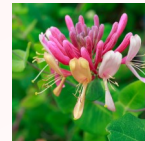
1st - 20 points Bluebell

2nd - 19 points Poppy

3rd - 18 points

Honeysuckle

4th - 9 points Buttercup



Tunstead Friends

The Friends of the school hope you all had a wonderful summer break. Welcome to all the new families. Friends start the year with their AGM which will be held Monday 11th September at 9am in the school hall. Please come along if you would like to learn how our events from last year went and what we are starting to plan for this year. As always we value any support from parents and family members. Come along if you would like to find out more about the Friends, there is no expectation for you to join. We are a small but friendly bunch and love to hear ideas or just make you a cuppa!

Monday 18th September at 3:15pm Friends will be hosting a party in the playground. This will be a free social event so we can welcome new and old families and have a chance to get to know who's who. More details to follow

Forest School

We are looking forward to the Forest School sessions starting next week.

Sycamore on a Tuesday and Oak Class on a Wednesday afternoon

Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in appropriate clothes i.e. arms and legs covered in old clothes that can get dirty. Trainers or boots to be worn

Wellies and waterproofs should also be provided

Hair should be tied up

Lets hope the sunshine continues!