



Tunstead Primary Newpage

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

Dear parents and carers,
 Happy new year and welcome back to another term at Tunstead. The children have hit the ground running with lots of good learning happening across the school, and the staff team are working hard to plan more exciting trips and activities for the pupils to enhance their school experience.
 One of the things we always plan for are after school clubs, to try and provide opportunities for children to try new sports and other activities. This term we had hoped to run rugby, netball, dance and lego club, as well as continuing violin lessons from last term. Unfortunately, uptake has been low or dropping for these clubs and many were not able to run this term which is a real shame. We would like to know if there are any particular barriers or reasons, such as timings, price, type of club, that have stopped children from taking up the clubs on offer, or if there is a club you feel would be popular amongst the children. Clubs are a key part of school life, and we want to work with families and children to make sure we can offer what they would engage with.
 Violin lessons are continuing but there are now some spaces, so if there are any children who would now like to try this out then please enquire at the school office.
 Mrs Payne would also like to remind all those children taking part in forest school that they need to have their earrings out and hair tied back for the session, as they would for a PE lesson. We thank you in advance for your support with this.

Sam Birkinshaw
 Deputy Headteacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- January
- 15th - Friends meeting 2:30pm
 - 18th - Moon crater pizza menu change
- February
- 19th - 23rd Half term
- March
- 5th - Yr 6 STEAM trip
 - 19th - Tag rugby tournament
 - 27th - Last day of term
- April
- 15th - Back to school
 - 17th - Birch class start swimming
 - 24th - Cluster netball St John's
- May
- 1st - KS1 multi-skills Broadland
 - 6th - Bank holiday
 - 22nd - Cluster cricket

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
Class Attendance	89.03%	93.36%	94.98%	95.36%
	A reminder to please read at home and record this in your reading records	We have been reading Little Red Riding Hood, labelling the British Isles, exploring electricity, and drawing on the computers	We have been learning our new model text for The Pied Piper of Hamelin.	Birch have had a brilliant first week back at school! Just a reminder that children can play football on the field if they bring wellies into school

Celebrating Success

Headteacher's

Award

Benji, Jack, Billie and **Jenson** for helping to keep our playground equipment stored tidily and making them easy for people to use.



Class Gold Book Award Winners

Oak - **Jayden** for his super help, following instructions and making sure the classroom is always looking spotless!

Sycamore - **Bertie** for settling in so well and immediately adopting the school values - respectful and hardworking

Conifer - **Alex** for resilience in writing & maths

Birch - **Evie** for being an outstanding mathematician!

School Council

We have been discussing ideas for fundraising for this year. Cake sales will start just before February half term and will be done in houses this year

House Points

1st - 164 Honeysuckle

2nd - 140 Bluebell

3rd - 130 Poppy

4th - 124 Buttercup

Tunstead Friends

Happy New Year from the Friends of Tunstead Primary School. The Friends will be meeting on Monday afternoon to plan this terms events. We already have provisional plans for this terms disco before half term, details will follow next week. If you're keen to get involved with friends we would love to hear from you. Joining the friends is a great way to meet new people and get involved in the school community. Find out more from one of us at drop off or pick up or email us at tfriends5wra@nsix.org.uk

Forest School

Oak Class. We have started discussing what lives at Forest School. Throughout the weeks we will be looking at the different types of trees, flowers and creatures that live there and why they are important to us.

We also took advantage of the new climbing ropes and swings that were added this week.

Sycamore Class. What a busy week.....A fun team building game to begin with on the field followed by lighting a fire ready to cook the chocolate chip damper bread, which was enjoyed by all.

Following our class topic of Little Red Riding Hood, we talked about the features of wolves and what their habitat might look like.

Please remember to send in extra socks with gloves and a hat. It really does get chilly when the children are outside all afternoon.