



Friday 2nd February

Tunstead Primary Newpage

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

Recently, you should have received some information about a vacancy we have for a parent to join our Federation’s governing body. This is a really important and interesting role within our school, which ensures the school hears the viewpoints of parents in its decision making and also offers parents the chance to see how the school and Federation are run. Our governors are a welcoming and experienced mix of people across a range of professions and life experiences, and we would warmly welcome anyone else who wishes to get involved. If this is you, or you know of someone who you think would be a good governor, then please let the school know asap as the initial expression of interest window closes on Monday.

Birch class parents have also received information on an exciting residential trip coming up for our Year 5 and 6 pupils at the end of the year. They will be spending 3 days at Hautbois getting involved in a range of outdoor adventurous activities, as well as spending valuable time enjoying and developing their friendships. And for all other parents across the school, we are working hard to arrange exciting trips and experiences for our classes so keep an eye out for information coming out in the coming weeks and months.

One event that is coming up for everyone across the school is the Valentine’s Disco, organised and run by the amazing Tunstead Friends. The discos are always a great place for the children to socialise in a different format with their peers in school, and we hope to see as many of them there as possible. Please see the posters on the school fence for information.

And finally, we have been happy to welcome a few new pupils to our school in recent weeks, and it has been a real pleasure to see how welcoming our existing pupils have been to our new arrivals.

Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

February

- 5th - Deadline for parent governor applications
- 13th - Shrove Tuesday, pancakes for school pudding
- 14th - Valentines Day, heart shaped biscuits for school pudding
- 15th - Friends Valentines Disco
- 19th - 23rd Half term

March

- 5th - Yr 6 STEAM trip
- 9th - Friends Jumble Sale 10:00am—12:00pm
- 19th - Tag rugby tournament
- 26th - Friends Easter Fayre
- 27th - Last day of term

April

- 15th - Back to school
- 17th - Birch class start swimming

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
Class Attendance	78.26%	93.31%	93.13%	98.99%
	Oak have had a brilliant week learning the new maths words ‘more’ and ‘fewer’.	Keep practising counting in patterns of 1s, 2s, 5s & 10s both forwards & backwards! We’ve been testing each other to see what we can do.	Conifer have been working hard on producing copies of Edvard Munch's the scream	Birch have been writing magnificent tales of fear this week!

Celebrating Success

Headteacher's

Award

Darcy H for her positive mind-set and increased confidence!

Well done **Darcy!**



Class Gold Book Award Winners

Oak - **Darcie** for the outstanding reading skills she has demonstrated this week

Sycamore - **Eden** and **Olivia B** for a great mind-set towards completing tasks in the time given and to a high level

Conifer - **Kitty** for excellent progress in her reading and phonics

Birch - **Georgie** for always being eager to learn and trying hard in every lesson!

House Points

1st - 614 Honeysuckle

2nd - 500 Poppy

3rd - 491 Bluebell

4th - 352 Buttercup



Tunstead Friends

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL PRESENTS
(CHARITY NUMBER 1039818)

Valentine's DISCO

Thursday Feb 15th

3.15-4.15PM
OAK AND SYCAMORE CLASSES

4.30-5.30PM
CONIFER AND BIRCH CLASSES

Tickets £2.50
in advance via bopp
<https://bopp.app/link/5jpxq>

GAMES MUSIC WITH CONNECTIONS SNACKS

OAK CLASS PARENTS MUST ATTEND

We are very much looking forward to the Valentine disco on Thursday 15th February. Tickets are now available using the Bopp link or QR code. Oak and Sycamore class will be 3.15-4.15 pm (don't forget that Oak parents must attend with their children). Sycamore class children to please come with disco clothes in a named bag on the morning of the 15th and staff will help them to change. Conifer and Birch class disco will be 4.30 -5.30pm.

Please don't forget that we collecting donations for our jumble sale which will be on Saturday 9th March 10am until 12 noon.



Forest School

We have been busy gardening at Forest School this week with lots of leaf raking.

The children have enjoyed filling our compost bin ready for the spring weather.

Oak Class enjoyed a game of hide and seek with our soft toy animals. We then had a discussion about which animals live in the woodland habitat and within the UK.