



Friday 8th March

Tunstead Primary Newpage

Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

SCHOOL MESSAGE

I want to start by sharing my pride in seeing our Play Leaders in action at lunchtimes. Over recent weeks, Birch class have been working hard in PE lessons to develop their sports leadership skills. Now they are ready, they are putting these skills to excellent use by leading different activities each lunchtime for the rest of the school to take part in. The younger children are really enjoying the activities they run, and the Birch class pupils are also enjoying the opportunities too, even if occasionally they get an insight into the challenges of getting groups of children to do what you are asking them to!

There were also a lot of smiles around school yesterday, when seeing the fantastic array of costumes worn by the children in celebration of World Book Day. It was heart-warming to see characters from Harry Potter to Wednesday Addams, and from dinosaurs to butterflies, bringing the magic of literature to life within our school community.

Following the fun of the World Book Day celebrations, today we were fortunate to have the Big Bubble Theatre Company visit our school to conduct captivating drama sessions aimed at enhancing the children's engagement in reading. The interactive and stimulating sessions provided a wonderful platform for our pupils to explore their creativity and storytelling skills.

As a school, we want to continue providing enriching events and experiences for our pupils, and it is essential that we have the necessary financial resources to do so. A vital aspect of this involves ensuring that school dinners and other paid-for events, such as clubs, are being promptly paid for via ParentPay.

Our school team has been monitoring outstanding balances, and they have been reaching out to families with significant overdue amounts. We understand that unforeseen circumstances may arise, and we are here to support you in finding a resolution. However, should balances remain high, we must consider whether school dinners or clubs, can be offered for your child until the balance has been paid.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further assistance.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

March

- 9th - Friends Jumble Sale
10:00am—12:00pm
- 11th-15th - Science week
- 12th - Yr 6 SATs parent meeting in the hall
- 19th - Tag rugby tournament
- 20th - Sycamore family sewing session
- 22nd - Sycamore Hoveton Hall Gardens Trip
- 26th - Friends Easter Fayre
- 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 Monday

CLASS UPDATES

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
Class Attendance	100%	85.55%	84.86%	91.5%
	Just a reminder to bring in reading books and library books so they can be changed and new ones sent home	We enjoyed being able to dress up as our favourite character for World Book Day, and also enjoyed participating in the Theatre Workshop!	Conifer have enjoyed celebrating world book day this week with a variety of activities inc. a quiz & book choice bistro.	Next week, during science week, Birch class will have a guest speaker from Tesla!

Celebrating Success

Headteacher's

Award

Bertie for his consistently positive approach to all areas of school life, including being a supportive friend!



Class Gold Book Award Winners

Oak - **Harriet** for her progress in all learning; always putting in 100% effort.

Sycamore - **Noah** for his positive engagement in conversations and his learning

Conifer - **Max** for super engagement with our drama session

Birch - **Benji**, for making great progress in maths and for being an excellent geographer

House Points

1st - 1337 Honeysuckle

2nd - 1131 Poppy

3rd - 953 Bluebell

4th - 807 Buttercup

School Council

Thank you to everyone's World Book Day donations. We raised £26.10

Tunstead Friends

Thank you for all your donations for the Jumble sale.

The Friends Easter fayre takes place on Tuesday 26th March after school. It is taking a fun twist this year with a fun Wonka theme, will you find your golden ticket? Tickets for the quest will be £2.50 payable via Bopp, look out for posters next week. There's a raffle and bottle tombola and plenty of games.

We would welcome donations of bottles to stock the tombola this can be any bottles including alcohol, soft drinks, shampoo or sauces. Donations can be brought to school anytime up to the fayre.

Forest School



A big thank you to Theo F's grandad for doing a super job at mending the school garden sign. It was first made in 2012 by the Gardening Club who carefully used clay to make the tiles.

Calling all budding gardeners

Would you like to grow some plants from seed at home to plant in our school garden? Compost, pots and seed supplied by Mrs Payne. Please email office@tunstead.norfolk.sch.uk if your child would like to help.

