



Friday 19th April

# Tunstead Primary Newpage

## Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

### SCHOOL MESSAGE

Welcome back to the summer term! We are looking ahead to a busy and exciting term filled with events and opportunities for our children to make the most of our amazing outside spaces.

This week's newsletter focuses on our Forest School area. I am delighted to report that Mrs Payne and a team of volunteers have been hard at work over the Easter holidays, rotivating the land, building new fences, and crafting new chairs. Their efforts have significantly improved an already impressive space. Additionally, we have volunteers growing plants that will be bedded into the Forest School, and our pupils will be planting wildflower seeds this week, enhancing the natural beauty of the area.

The benefits of Forest School are numerous and invaluable. It provides children with the chance to learn in a hands-on, outdoor environment, fostering creativity, independence, and resilience. It also encourages a deeper connection to nature and promotes physical activity and well-being.

I can confirm that Oak and Sycamore classes will continue with their weekly Forest School sessions. As the summer progresses, children in Confer and Birch will have the opportunity to experience and enjoy this wonderful outdoor learning environment.

In addition to the Forest School developments, I am excited to share that our school field now boasts a new tyre climbing frame. The children have already eagerly embraced this new addition, and it promises to provide hours of fun and physical activity.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to Mrs Payne for her dedication and hard work in transforming our Forest School into a valuable asset for our school community. I would also like to express my gratitude to the team of volunteers who have contributed their time and efforts to enhance our outdoor spaces.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### April

24th - Cluster netball St John's

#### May

1st - KS1 multi-skills tournament

6th - Bank Holiday Monday

13th - 17th - Yr 6 SAT's week

22nd - Cluster cricket tournament

27th - 31st Half term

#### June

24th - Sports Day (TBC)

#### July

19th - Last day of term

### FOREST SCHOOL



## Celebrating Success

### Headteacher's

#### Award

**Taylor** for showing great teamwork and awareness to ensure everyone got a fair turn in Netball training

### Class Gold Book Award Winners

Oak - **Bella—Louise** for settling into school so well and always trying super hard in all her learning.

Sycamore - **Teigan** for consistently high expectations of herself in completing her work as well as in her behaviour.

Conifer - **James** for his determination to make good progress in his writing

Birch - **Logan** for having a brilliant first week at Tunstead! He has settled in very well and is a pleasure to teach.

### House Points

1st - 219 Honeysuckle

2nd - 183 Poppy

3rd - 109 Bluebell

4th - 97 Buttercup

## Class updates

	OAK	SYCAMORE	CONIFER	BIRCH
<b>Class Attendance</b>	<b>85.71%</b>	<b>91.51%</b>	<b>92.38%</b>	<b>96.63%</b>
	This week Oak has enjoyed learning about the royal family; making our own crowns and royal flags!	Sycamore have begun new units of learning- please check out Sycamore Class page on the school website for more information.	Conifer have really impressed with their reading progress. Keep up the good work in reading at home too!	Birch had their first swimming lesson this week - they are looking forward to many more!

## Tunstead Friends

The friends are so grateful to everyone who came to the Easter fayre. Everyone seemed to enjoy the Wonka theme especially receiving their golden tickets and feeding Augustus gloop.

On the final day of term, some of the children used their golden ticket rewards they had won. Some had extra break with friends or for their whole class, while Taylor and his friends enjoyed their prize of lunch in Mr Birkinshaw's room.

Friends are meeting soon to plan this term's fundraising. If you have any ideas or would like to help with any events please speak to one of the friends or email us on [tfriends5wra@nsix.org.uk](mailto:tfriends5wra@nsix.org.uk)

