



## West Tytherley CE Primary School

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## West Tytherley Newsletter

12th January 2018 - Spring Term

### ***Dear Parents & Carers,***

Welcome back to school. I do hope that you have all enjoyed a restful Christmas and wish you all a very happy new year.

The children are all excited to be back in school with their friends and with a renewed energy that is great for learning. The Spring term is a short one this year and it will be an enjoyable and busy time for everyone.

**Parent Consultations:** These important meetings will be held during the week beginning 22nd January. Sign up forms will be available in Reception next week for you to make an appointment, or if you wish, ring the school office and to arrange.

**Residential for Oak Class:** As you may be aware, Oak Class will be on their Residential in Weymouth, after half term in February. There will be a meeting for the parents to attend and we will confirm the date for this soon.

**Inset Day:** We have an Inset Day coming up next week on Wednesday 17th January. The school will therefore be closed for the day.

**Our IT Project:** As you know funding for new computers is very costly and the Governors are keen to raise money to invest in IT for our children's education.

Last term we sent a letter out to our parents asking them to consider making a contribution to this project. We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents who have been kind enough to express an interest in contributing; the Governing body will be in touch with you in the next few weeks.

**SATS week:** Our Year 6 children are working hard towards their SATS in May. Along with this preparation in school time, Ms Moore will also be running an after school SATS Booster Club. This will run every Tuesday from 3.15-4.15 to further support the children in their learning.

***Mr Warren***



Twinkletoes begins again on  
Wednesday 24th January.

*All welcome!*

## CALENDAR

### JANUARY

- 17th Inset day - school closed
- 19th Celebration assembly
- 22nd Parents' evening for Oak Class 3.30-6.00
- 23rd Parents' eve for Beech/Willow 3.30-6.00
- 24th Parents' evening for all classes 4.30-7.00
- 26th Celebration assembly - Gold Awards

### FEBRUARY

- 2nd Celebration assembly
- 6th Girls 6 a side football - Test Valley
- 9th Celebration assembly
- 9th Break up for half term
- 19th Back to school
- 21st Basketball Test Valley
- 23rd Celebration assembly - Gold Awards
- 26th - 2nd March Oak PGL residential

### MARCH

- 2nd Oak Class children return from Residential  
Beech class sharing assembly
- 6th Netball at Test Valley 4 - 6pm
- 9th Willow class sharing assembly
- 16th Celebration Assembly
- 22nd Football at Wallop 4 - 6pm
- 23rd Oak Class sharing assembly
- 26th No sewing club
- 29th Break up for Easter  
1.30 Easter Service at the Church

### APRIL

- 16th Return to school

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



This week the theme has been 'Ambitions' – being the best that we can be. To be wise means that we don't always rely on ourselves – we can listen to God and rely on his words, and they make great foundations. We prayed: Thank you, God, for everything that makes me, me. Help me to use it properly to be the person I can be, with your help. Amen.

*Vicar James*

## BREAK FAST CLUB - REMINDER

Breakfast club is available every day from 8.00 until 8.45 when school starts. There is no need to book in advance, this is a drop-in session.

Breakfast club costs £3.00 and includes breakfast and supervision. Siblings attending together pay the reduced rate of £2.50 per child. Thank you.

## PARENTS' EVENING

Sign-up sheets will be available in reception from Monday. Please note that Oak class parents evening will be Monday and Wednesday, Beech and Willow are Tuesday and Wednesday. Thank you.

## START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

We have noticed an increasing number of children arriving late to school in the morning, so this is just a reminder to parents that school starts each day at 8.55 am when the children come in off the playground. Gates open at 8.45 am.

We would appreciate your help in getting your child to school on time as a late start is very disruptive to them and to the other children in their class.

Thank you

WHERE THERE IS  
*Great Love*  
THERE ARE ALWAYS  
*miracles.*  
-WILLA CATHER



***Happy New Year to you all!***

**In this first update of 2018 we wanted to inform you of our progress on the I.T. Improvement Project. We have already received a kind donation from a local company of six laptops to replace some very old desktop computers that were no longer fit for purpose, but this is only the very start of what is an exciting project that will enhance the learning experience of each and every child.**

**We want to thank the parents who have already pledged donations to this scheme, whether this be a one-off payment, or a regular monthly commitment, as every penny truly does count and we are very grateful for your support. There is still a long way to go if we are to provide our children with the necessary learning tools to equip them for the modern world and the more people that we can get involved in fund-raising the easier this task becomes.**

**We are going to install a 'Totaliser' at the front of the School to provide a visual representation of the donations raised so far and most importantly the target that we need to reach to achieve our goals!**

**At this exciting time, if you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a Governor we currently have a vacancy and would be delighted to hear from you, please either call into reception, or contact the School and we will get back to you to discuss the opportunity and answer any questions that you may have.**

***Best wishes for 2018 and let's hope it proves to be a prosperous one for us all and especially West Tytherley Primary School!***