



Our value is 'Respect'

*"Do to others as you would  
have them do to you."  
Luke 6:31*

Friday, 19 July  
2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always, life in school is busy and the newsletter this week reflects that.

### House Updates – Churchill, Nightingale and Rothschild

This week we counted the house points that have been awarded this past term and it was a very close contest with only two points in it! The results are as follows:

Churchill	265
Nightingale	267
Rothschild	236

Congratulations to Nightingale house! In their house assembly this week, they voted for the treat they would like as a reward and on Monday will watch a 'mini-movie' with a snack.

As we come to the end of the year, I would like to say a big thank our amazing House Captains and recognise the effort and commitment they have put into the role when leading their respective houses. They have led assemblies, organised events and activities and rallied the troops for various house competitions.

Money raised from today's mufti-day will be equally split between the three charities that each house supports: Animals Asia, Great Ormond Street Hospital and The Deanshanger Hedgehog Rescue. Totals of the money raised for each charity will be calculated once Rothschild house have held their fundraising event in early September. They will be holding a book sale and asking for book donations towards this. So, if you are sorting out children's books over the summer holidays and have any that could be donated to the sale, please keep hold of them and hand them into school when we return in September.

### Nursery and Reception End of Year Picnics

Earlier this week, the parents and children in Nursery and Reception met at the recreation ground in Twyford to mark the end of the year.

### Staffing

This past two weeks we have welcomed Mrs Waldron back from maternity leave ahead of the new school year – she has been spending time in classes, getting familiar with any new routines and working with the children she will be teaching in September. We also have exciting news to share with you about Miss Jupp; she is getting married over the summer holidays and come September will be known as Mrs Thurlow. I would like to wish her and her fiancé a wonderful wedding day.

We have an opportunity for someone to join our staff team as a teaching assistant and lunchtime supervisor. If you know of anyone who would be interested in this role, please direct them to our advert on the Buckinghamshire Council website [here](#).

## School Reports

Earlier this week your child will have brought home their annual school report. As per previous communications, if you require an electronic copy please request this by emailing the school office.

## FOTS Updates

I would like to say a huge thanks to the FOTS committee and volunteers for the activities and fundraising events they have organised over the past year. The Summer Sizzler last week was a huge success and I was pleased that it did not have to be renamed 'The Summer Drizzler'! Thank you to everyone who came along or purchased raffle tickets to support the event; it was a great opportunity for everyone to come together and be part of the Twyford School community.

FOTS have achieved so much this year: arranging a film night, a disco, Christmas party boxes and the Chinese New Year Dragon dance workshop to name a few. Because of these events, they have been able to help fund transport for school trips (making each trip at least £10 cheaper), contribute towards the cost of whole class music lessons by XYZ Music, gift Year 6 with leavers hoodies, ice-pop treats for children at lunchtimes and purchase books.

On Monday this week, the AGM was held where a review of the year took place and also committee members were decided for the forthcoming year. During this meeting the chair, Amilie Zhang, and co-chair, Gina Harding, stood down from their positions, leaving these roles vacant. The role of secretary is also vacant. Sadly, without these positions being filled there will no longer be a functioning PTA, meaning activities organised for the children and support given to the school will cease.

## We need you!

It would be really disappointing if FOTS were not able to continue so I urge you to consider if you could take up the role of either Chair or Secretary. There would also be the option to Co-chair and share the position. If you have any questions or would like to know more about what is involved with each role, please get in touch with either myself or a member of FOTS to find out more. The more people who step forward to help, the easier it is. Being part of FOTS is a fantastic opportunity to meet other parents and get involved with the school community. We will be announcing a date for a meeting early on in the autumn term where we are hoping to fill these positions as well as discuss plans for activities and events over the coming year.

## Reading and Library Books

Many thanks to everyone for sending any borrowed library books back to school. There are still a few that we are missing so please take some time over the weekend to have a look and bring in any that you find on Monday.

I would like to thank those of you who have supported your child with reading practise at home this past year. This support has been the highest level we have ever had, with the most number reading awards handed out. It is no coincidence that the data for reading attainment across the whole school has also improved, with 86% of children in Year 6 achieving at least the expected level in reading (nationally this figure was 74%).

We will launch the reading awards again in September, and hope that we continue to build on the successes of this year with your support.

## Uniform

We are hopeful that any unclaimed items of clothing will be reunited with their owners by the end of the school year. In each classroom is a basket with a few items in where we have not been able to identify who they belong to. If your child is missing any uniform, please ask them to check these baskets to see if it is in there. Any items that are left unclaimed at the end of the year will be washed and put in our pre-loved uniform stock.

If you are wanting to order new uniform for September from our supplier, PL Schoolwear, it is advisable to do so as early as possible to ensure you receive it in time for the new term. They do get very busy during the summer break. We do have several samples of uniform in school for your child to try if you are unsure about what size you need. A list of uniform requirements can be found on our school website here: [School Uniform](#) Please check this before you purchase any new items.

If you have any items of uniform that your child has outgrown, particularly those with a school logo on, please consider donating it to our pre-loved uniform stock. Our pre-loved uniform is always popular and is a great way to ensure that each piece of clothing finds a new home.

**End of Year Celebration Service**

We would like to invite you to join us in St Mary’s Church, Twyford, at 9:15am on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July for our end of year celebration. During the service we will be saying goodbye to our Year 6 children, sending them on to the next chapter in their lives.

Finally, just a little reminder that we break up for the summer holiday on Monday at the normal time of 3:15pm.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

With warmest wishes,

**Judith Bloomfield**  
Headteacher

**We Learn Together; Grow Together; Achieve Together** knowing that Jesus said:  
*“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit.”*  
 John 15:5



TERM DATES 2023/2024		
Summer 2 Term 2024	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024
TERM DATES 2024/2025		
Autumn 1 Term 2024	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Autumn 2 Term 2024	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
Spring 1 Term 2025	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
Spring 2 Term 2025	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Summer 1 Term 2025	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025
Summer 2 Term 2025	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025

**Twyford  
C of E  
School**

**School  
Diary**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024</b>	9:15am – Celebration and Leavers Service at St. Mary’s Church, Twyford

<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024</b>		School breaks up for summer holiday
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024</b>		INSET Day
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024</b>	New	INSET Day
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>		INSET Day
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>		Autumn term starts for children
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>	New	FOTS Meeting – details to be confirmed
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>	New	Secondary Transfer Test – Practise
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	New	Reception Parents meeting 2.30pm
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>	New	Secondary Transfer Test
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September</b>	New	Flu Immunisations – Reception to Year 6
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024</b>	New	Bikeability for Year 5
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	New	School Photographs
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	New	School breaks up for half term
<b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024</b>	New	Deadline for applications for Secondary School Admissions September 2025
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>	New	School re-opens after half-term
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024</b>	New	School closes for Christmas break
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b>		INSET Day
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b>	New	School re-opens after Christmas break
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>	New	School breaks up for half term
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>	New	School re-opens after half term
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025</b>	New	School breaks up for Easter
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025</b>	New	School re-open after Easter
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	New	May Bank Holiday – School closed
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025</b>	New	School breaks up for half term
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025</b>		INSET Day
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025</b>	New	School re-opens after half term
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025</b>	New	School breaks up for summer
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025</b>		INSET Day



## Peripatetic music lessons at Twyford C of E School

XYZ will be providing Drum, Guitar and Piano lessons at Twyford C of E School from September 2024

Please see the following details:

Lessons per annum (September-July): 34

Length of lesson: 20 minutes - one to one

Price per lesson: £15.00 per 20 minutes

Parents can be invoiced on a termly basis or in instalments via a monthly direct debit plan starting in September 2024 and ending in August 2025

For new starters we encourage the purchase of a starter pack. This is an optional but highly recommended for effective participation in the lessons and school and home practice.

For more information please visit us at: [www.xyzmusicacademy.com](http://www.xyzmusicacademy.com)

You can also contact us at:  
 Email - [admin@xyzmusicacademy.com](mailto:admin@xyzmusicacademy.com)  
 Phone - 01905 534938

To sign up please visit our website [www.xyzmusicacademy.com](http://www.xyzmusicacademy.com) or scan the QR code.




## NXT LEVEL COACHING WRAP AROUND CARE

To book: <https://www.nxtlevelcoaching.co.uk/book-online/twyfordcofprimary>

Contact: [info@nxtlevelcoaching.co.uk](mailto:info@nxtlevelcoaching.co.uk) Text: 07703 187543

**Please book wrap-around care or club places by midday**

BREAKFAST CLUB	DROP & GO	AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB	
7.50am – 8.40am	8.30am – 8.40am	3.15pm – 4.15pm	4.15pm – 5.30pm
£4.00	£1.00	£5.00	£4.00
Book online	No need to pre-book	Book online	Book online
Breakfast served until 8.20am		Activities including art, craft, sports, games, Lego and construction	Activities including art, craft, sports, games, Lego and construction <i>Light snack served</i>

The booking cut-off time for same day wraparound care services is **12:00 PM**.

We understand that emergencies can arise, and to accommodate such situations, we have designated a process for late bookings. In the case of an emergency, please contact the **school office** directly to make a late booking. Your child will be added to the day's register and an invoice for payment will be sent directly to you. However, we kindly request that this option is only used in genuine emergency situations and not as a regular occurrence

## Family Support Service



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## Thrive at School

### Online course for young people

Would you like to reach your potential at school and deal with all the challenges school life throws at you?

If you're in school year 7 or above then our online 6-week course could be for you.

#### 6 sessions cover:

- Tips for making good friends
- How to deal with bullying and peer pressure
- How to get organised
- How to deal with exam stress and schoolwork pressures

For more information or to secure your place, scan or click the QR code.

If you need help email [familyinfo@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:familyinfo@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)



**Tuesdays**  
17 September to  
22 October  
6pm to 7pm



**Tuesdays**  
5 November to  
10 December  
6pm to 7pm



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## Buckinghamshire Family Learning



### FREE ONLINE SCHOOLS COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS

To book your place - SCAN the QR code, CLICK on the course code link or PHONE 01296 383582 with the course code (eg. FM.....)

#### RECEPTION

##### Support Your Autistic Child at Home Workshop

[EMACT134](#)

- Thursday 10 October, 9:30am-11:30am



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##### Starting Reception (5 weeks)

[FMSR019](#)

- Monday 23 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Tuesday 24 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Wednesday 25 September, 9:30am-11:30am



#### YEARS 1&2

##### Support Your Child with Homework Workshops

[EMHW028](#)

- Monday 16 September, 7pm-9pm
- Tuesday 17 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Thursday 19 September, 9:30am-11:30am



#### YEARS 1&2

##### Support Your Child with Maths: Number

(5-weeks) [EMWB028](#)

- Monday 23 September, 7pm-9pm
- Tuesday 24 September, 12:30pm-2:30pm
- Wednesday 25 September, 9:30am-11:30am
- Thursday 26 September, 9:30am-11:30am



## Buckinghamshire Family Learning

Learn how to help your child to be ready for Reception in September 2024.

Find out what they will learn and how they will be taught.

#### Starting Reception

Free, 5 week, online course for parents and carers of children starting school in September 2024.

Please choose from:

[Mondays 9:30-11:30, starting 23 September](#)

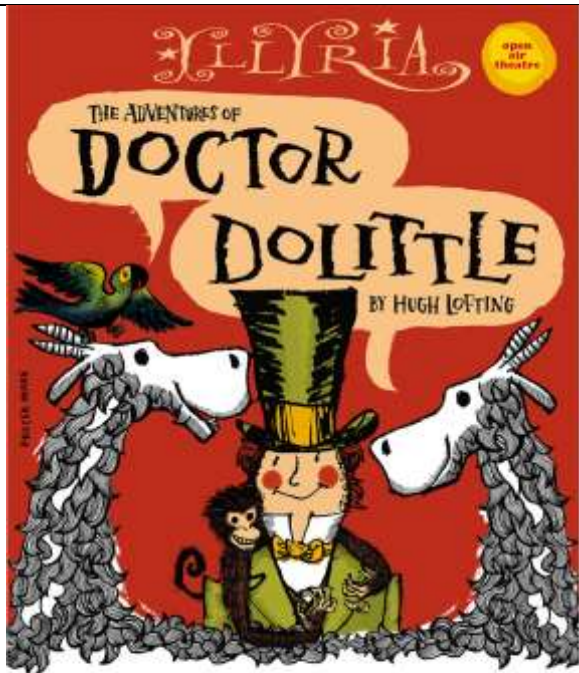
[Tuesdays 9:30-11:30, starting 24 September](#)

[Wednesdays 9:30-11:30, starting 25 September](#)



To book, please click on the day above, use the QR code or phone our team on 01296 383582 and give code FMSR019





**STOWE HOUSE, MK18 5EH**  
**Friday 23 August 2024 at 6.30pm**  
**Tickets: stowhouse.org**  
Gates open: 5.30pm. Running time approx. 1hr 50mins (inc 20min interval).



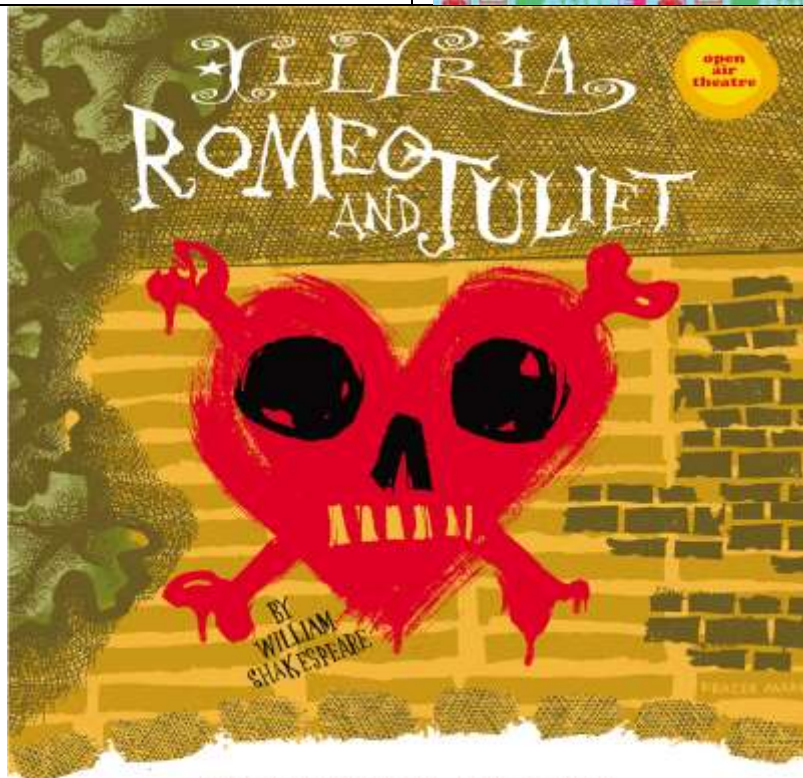
**XYZ MUSIC ACADEMY**  
**SUMMER SCHOOL**  
**2024**

**5th August - 9th August**      **12th August - 16th August**

The XYZ Summer school is perfect for students looking to experience a multitude of musical instruments in a short period of time while eradicating boredom from the summer holidays!

For more information and to book The XYZ Summer School scan the QR code or visit our website

[www.xyzmusicacademy.com](http://www.xyzmusicacademy.com)



**STOWE HOUSE, MK18 5EH**  
**Thursday 25 July 2024 at 7.30pm**  
**Tickets: stowhouse.org**  
Gates open: 6.30pm. Running time approx. 2hrs 20mins (inc 20min interval).



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