



Our value is 'Respect'

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

Friday, 18
October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parent and Teacher Meetings

Earlier this week, we have enjoyed welcoming parents into school to meet with their child's teachers. I have received some very positive feedback from both teachers and parents about how valuable it was to have the opportunity to talk together about the children. These formal meetings are held twice a year but if you would like to talk to your child's teacher about any concerns or questions you have at any other time, please do get in touch.

Road Closures

I am sure you have all seen the signs in and around the area about various road closures that are due to take place over the coming weeks and months. We do not have any further information about the closures apart from what is on the signs or available on public websites. Over the past couple of weeks, we have been in regular contact with the Parish Council and are working together to try and ascertain specific information about when and where the closures are due to take place – however, trying to find this information is proving to be very tricky! In the meantime, please be aware that roads will be closed in the local area and therefore, we would suggest allowing some additional time to get to school in the mornings just in case one pops up overnight!

Online Safety Newsletter

Attached is the October issue of our Online Safety Newsletter. I would strongly recommend that you take five minutes to open the link and read the information that is shared. This month focuses on teen Instagram accounts and also there is a short piece titled 'Mobile Phones – do you know the risks?'. All previous issues can be found on our school website under the 'Safeguarding' tab.

School Disco

On Thursday 7th November we will be welcoming Aaron back to school to host the ever-popular discos. As usual, there will be an earlier disco for Reception, Year 1 and 2 and then one slightly later for children in Year 3 to 6. Further information will be sent out next week and tickets will be available to purchase from the school office. In order for the event to run smoothly we are looking for 4 or 5 people to volunteer their time to help at either one or both of the discos. If you are able to help, please get in touch and let us know by either popping into the office or dropping us an email.

Use of E-Scooters by students

We have been asked by Thames Valley Police to remind parents that the use of privately owned e-scooters is illegal on public roads, pavements and cycle lanes, they are only legally allowed to be used on private land with the landowners' permission. See the attached flyer to find out what you need to know.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

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 2024/2025

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

Twyford
C of E
School



School
Diary



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 25th October		School breaks up for half term
Thursday 31st October 2024		Deadline for applications for Secondary School Admissions September 2025
Monday 4th November		School re-opens after half-term
Thursday 7th November		School Disco – further details to follow
Friday 8th November		Baby and Toddler Group
Friday 15th November 2024		Baby and Toddler Group
Friday 22nd November 2024		Baby and Toddler Group
Thursday 28th November 2024	NEW	KS2 Choir singing for the Stroke Association at Lace Hill Community Centre
Friday 29th November 2024		Baby and Toddler Group
Friday 6th December 2024		Baby and Toddler Group
Friday 13th December 2024		Baby and Toddler Group (last session before Christmas)
Monday 16th December 2024		KS2 Carol Service at St Marys Church - 6:30pm
Friday 20th December 2024		School closes for Christmas break
Monday 6th January 2025		INSET Day

Tuesday 7 th January 2025		School re-opens after Christmas break
Friday 10 th January 2025		Baby and Toddler Group
Friday 14 th February 2025		School breaks up for half term
Monday 24 th February 2025		School re-opens after half term
Friday 4 th April 2025		School breaks up for Easter
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025		School re-open after Easter
Monday 5 th May 2025		May Bank Holiday – School closed
Friday 23 rd May 2025		School breaks up for half term
Monday 2 nd June 2025		INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd June 2025		School re-opens after half term
Tuesday 22 nd July 2025		School breaks up for summer
Wednesday 23 rd July 2025		INSET Day



NXT LEVEL COACHING WRAP AROUND CARE

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

Contact: 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	Payable in cash on the day	Activities including art, craft, sports, games, Lego and construction	Activities including art, craft, sports, games, Lego and construction <i>Light snack served for additional 75p</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



Peripatetic music lessons at Twyford C of E School

XYZ will be providing Drum lone to one and group, Guitar, Piano and Woodwind lessons at Twyford C of E School from September 2024

Please see the following details:

Lessons per annum (September-July) 24

Length of lesson 20 minutes - one to one / group (3 students)

Price per lesson £15.00 - one to one / £7.50 - group per student

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

You can also contact us at:
Email - admin@xyzmusicacademy.com
Phone - 01296 528238

To sign up please visit our website www.xyzmusicacademy.com or scan the QR code.



EVERYONE WELCOME

Every Friday

During term-time

9.45AM – 11.00AM

Baby and Toddler Group

at

Twyford C of E School

For more info

www.twyfordschool.org.uk

Twyford C of E School
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Penalty Notices for School Attendance

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following will come into force for absences that start after 19th August 2024. This is nationwide and across borders if you move school or house. Term Time Leave is only allowed in exceptional circumstances when communicated in advance with evidence provided as soon as possible to the Headteacher.

FIRST OFFENCE

The first Penalty Notice issued for Term Time Leave of Absence or Irregular Attendance, the amount of the fine will be £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days and reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

In law only the headteacher of a school can authorise a child's absence. A pupil's attendance forms part of their official school record.

Parents do not have an automatic right to remove their child from school during term time for the purpose of a leave of absence and are strongly advised not to do so.

Headteachers are unable to authorise leave of absence during term time unless they are satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances.

The fundamental principles for defining 'exceptional' are rare, significant, unavoidable and short. 'Unavoidable' implies that an event could not reasonably be scheduled at another time.

SECOND OFFENCE

For the second Penalty Notice (within three years of the first offence) issued for Term Time Leave of Absence or Irregular Attendance, the amount of the fine will be £180 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

10 sessions in 10 weeks

Penalty Notices will be considered for any 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in 10 weeks.

5 consecutive days of term time absence can trigger a Penalty Notice.

THIRD OFFENCE AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENCES

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave of Absence or Irregular Attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be progressed straight to the Magistrates' Court. If found guilty there could be up to a maximum fine of £2,500 or a term of imprisonment not exceeding 3 months.

Do not forget that Penalty Notices are issued Per Parent, Per Child. I.e. Two siblings absent would result in each parent receiving 2 fines. This could amount to £640

PLEASE ENSURE YOU COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL



Wednesday 30 October, 11am - 3pm

Friars Square Shopping Centre, Aylesbury

Residents and community members are invited to come along and discuss any matters with multi-agency teams:

- FREE Crime Prevention advice and security items
- FREE Health Checks and advice
- FREE bouncy castle and activities for children and young people
- FREE Waste/recycling advice and products
- Helping Hands - advice on help and support available
- Domestic Energy Efficiency- advice on grants and schemes
- Housing- discuss any concerns and issues
- Adult Learning- advice on courses available to you



Teams and local volunteers will be in the area undertaking high visibility patrols, engaging with residents, completing litter picks and dealing with a range of issues identified by the community.

Visit: buckinghamshire.gov.uk/community-action-days



THAMES VALLEY POLICE

Working together for a safer Buckinghamshire

Half Term Events

On All Week

Pumpkin Hunt Trail

Hunt our gardens for pumpkins to win a prize! Age 4 - 11.
Pre-book or drop in, £3 per child. Not available Mon & Sat.



Sun 27th

Halloween Ghost Hunt

Spooky crafts, ghost hunt trail, decorate biscuits. Age 4 - 11.
Pre-book, £7 per child.



Tue 29th & Wed 30th

Discover & Make: Who Lives in the Woods?

Make an animal mask & learn about local wildlife. Age 4 - 11.
Pre-book, £4.25 per child.






Thu 31st

FREE Creative Writing with Arka Learning

Develop children's writing skills and unleash imagination! Age 7 - 11.
Pre-book. Free tickets. Led by Wycombe based tuition provider Arka.



Book at wycombemuseum.org.uk

 01494 754210  info@wycombemuseum.org  www.wycombemuseum.org.uk



Fully Funded School Support Course

Available in Levels 1, 2 & 3

*Please go to our website for more detailed information.

6 Week Course
Mon - Fri

Daily sessions

1st session 9:30 - 11:30am

2nd session 12:30 - 2pm

www.studysmartuk.online



October Half-Term

26 October - 3 November 2024

Join us this October half-term for a fun-filled family-friendly week of arts and crafts topped off with a spooky family Halloween day on Saturday.

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



26 October - 3 November

- Explore our sensory dark den
- Add to our Halloween mural in our Tudor room

• Spot the ten Halloween monsters hidden in the museum.

Monday 28 October - Modroc Mummies (5-11yrs)

Tuesday 29 October - Spooky Science (5-11yrs)

Wednesday 30 October - Let's Celebrate: Diwali Diyas (5-11yrs)

Thursday 31 October - Trick or treat in the oldest building in Aylesbury! Don't forget to dress to impress! (3-11yrs)

Friday 1 November - Young Creatives: Halloween Writing (7-13yrs) & Autumn Collage (3-11yrs)

Saturday 2 November - Spooky Stories & Crafts (3-11yrs)

Show off your best Halloween costumes, enjoy spooky stories and get crafty with our seasonal crafts.

Prices range from £3 - £5 per participant.

Make a day of it and visit the *Roald Dahl Children's Gallery* and the rest of the Museum including the *May The Toys Be With You* exhibition while you're here. We're now open Sundays 12pm - 4pm as well.



May The Toys Be With You on until 3 November 2024
From a galaxy far, far away comes a stellar exhibition of vintage Star Wars toys and original movie posters. A must-see for Star Wars fans of all ages.

For more event details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org

