



Our value is 'Respect'

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

22
November
2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely surprise it was to see some snow earlier this week! The weather has definitely chilled and it is great to see children coming to school with warm coats, hats, gloves and scarves as we make the most of going outside at playtimes whenever we can.

Online Safety Newsletter

The November edition of our Online Safety Newsletter shares useful information if your child is using WhatsApp or accessing YouTube. There are also links to information about the game Among Us, how to find age-appropriate games, as well as things to consider when setting rules for your family about screen-time. These newsletters are only two sides of A4 and are very user-friendly – I really recommend you taking a couple of minutes to open the document and have a look.

Christmas

With less than five weeks to go until Christmas, we have a full schedule of events in school leading up to the end of term. Next week we will be asking for donations for the Christmas Colour Hampers and sending raffle tickets home to sell – keep an eye out for more details next week.

Other events that are happening include an Advent Service at St Mary's Church this coming Wednesday at 9:15am (you are welcome to join us), the choir singing at The Stroke Association, KS1 and Reception Nativity, KS2 Carol Service, Christmas Lunch followed by a party afternoon and finally Christmas Jumper Day. All the dates for these events are listed at the bottom of this newsletter and further information will be sent out over the next few weeks.

If you are wanting your child to have a Christmas Lunch on Friday 13th December, do not forget to place your order directly with Fresh Start.

Social Media

Many of you already know we have school Facebook and Instagram accounts where we try to show many of the wonderful things going on in school each week. If you do see a reel or post from us on these platforms, please show your support by clicking 'like' as it is great to get feedback on how many people are engaging with the things we share. If you have not yet found us, you can find us on Instagram by using this QR code or search for us on Facebook.



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**



**22
November
2024**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Wednesday 27th November 2024	NEW	Advent Service at St Mary's Church, Twyford 9:15am
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
Thursday 12th December 2024	NEW	Reception and KS1 Nativity performances (2:00pm and 5:30pm)
Friday 13th December 2024	NEW	Christmas lunch and party day (lunch to be ordered with Fresh Start)
Friday 13th December 2024		Baby and Toddler Group (last session before Christmas)
Monday 16th December 2024	NEW	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 16th December 2024		KS2 Carol Service at St Marys Church - 6:30pm
Wednesday 18th December 2024	NEW	Nursery/Pre-school Christmas Sing-a-long and Activities 2:00pm
Friday 20th December 2024		School closes for Christmas break
Monday 6th January 2025		INSET Day
Tuesday 7th January 2025		School re-opens after Christmas break
Friday 10th January 2025		Baby and Toddler Group
Friday 14th February 2025		School breaks up for half term
Monday 24th February 2025		School re-opens after half term
Friday 4th 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

NXT Level Coaching After School Clubs

4th November to 20th December 2024

- **Tuesday:** Crochet Club
- **Tuesday:** KS1 Football (Indoors)
- **Wednesday:** KS2 Football
- **Thursday:** Dodgeball
- **Friday:** Arts & Crafts

Price: £35 for 7 weeks—that's just £5 per session

Book online www.nxtlevelcoaching.co.uk/book-online

If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to contact us, and we'll be happy to assist.

Best regards,

The NXT Level Coaching Team

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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
Church Street, Twyford,
Buckingham, MK18 4EU
☎ 01296 730305
✉ office@twyford.bucks.sch.uk



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 £100 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days and reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 71 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.

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 presented 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.

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.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

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 £840.



Starting school for the first time

Was your child born between
1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?

If yes, Buckinghamshire parents can apply online for a school place from 5 November 2024. Visit buckinghamshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-index/school-admissions to apply.

You must apply even if your child is at the nursery attached to the school you would like them to go to.

Information about starting school for the first time will be available on our website from the end of October buckinghamshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-index/school-admissions.

The application deadline is 15 January 2025, please do not miss it

Please contact the school nursing service using the link below to find out what health checks and vaccinations are available for your child.

buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/cyp/school-years-development/school-nursing



Application deadline is
**midnight on
15 January
2025**



Buckinghamshire
Family Learning



Thinking About Volunteering?



Would you like to explore volunteering as an optional step to start or return to employment?

To find out more come and join us online on
Tuesday 3rd December
6:00pm to 8:00pm



For parents and carers with school aged children in Buckinghamshire. To book your FREE place, contact our enrolment team on 01296 383582 or scan the QR code. For more information call/text Kathryn on 07770 641997

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Online Workshops



Support Your ADHD Child at Home
25th November, 7:00pm-9:00pm

Healthy, Happy and Fun - Christmas Holiday Ideas for You and Your Child
26th November, 6:00pm-8:00pm



Thinking About Volunteering?
3rd December, 6:00pm-8:00pm

For parents and carers with school aged children in Buckinghamshire. To book your FREE place, contact our enrolment team on 01296 383582, scan the QR code or click on the [link](#). For more information call/text Kathryn on 07770 641997

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Aylesbury Town Council's

Christmas on the Cobbles

Sunday 24 November
Aylesbury Town Centre
12 noon-5:30pm

FREE
EVENT



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Healthy, Happy and Fun - Free Christmas Holiday Ideas for You and Your Child



Online
Tuesday 10 December
6:00pm to 8:00pm

For parents and carers with children at primary schools in Buckinghamshire. To book your FREE place, contact our enrolment team on 01296 383582 or scan the QR code. For more information call/text Kathryn on 07770 641997

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Christmas Family Fun!

From 24 November - 21 December

Join us for Magical Christmas Tales with Santa, A Christmas Carol, Creative Crafts, Cake decorating and Fun Science Adventures!

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



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Christmas Cake Decorating

Sunday 24 November

Learn how to create a snowman cake decoration to take home and decorate your Christmas Cake with.
12.30pm & 2.15pm (adults only)
£50 per participant



Storytelling with Santa in the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

Saturday 30 November & Saturday 21 December

Join us for a heart-warming experience that brings the joy of the festive season to life.
10am-12pm and 1.15pm - 1.45pm (3-10yrs)

Located in your favourite Roald Dahl Children's Gallery workshop.



The Science of Christmas

Saturday 7 December

Could Father Christmas catapult a present down a chimney? How can you grow a candy cane? Is it possible to make a snowman without snow? Discover the answers in our seasonal workshop.
10.15am, 12.00pm & 2.00pm (5-11yrs)
£5 per participant



A Christmas Carol

Sunday 8 & 15 December

Ring in the Christmas season with this exquisite performance of the Dickens' festive classic, brought to life in vivid detail by Mat Jones.
7pm (11+yrs)
£20 per ticket



Christmas Clay

Saturday 14 December

Make your own hanging clay and paper ornaments to take home!
10am - 2pm (3-11yrs)
£4 per participant

Make a day of it and visit the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery and the rest of the Museum whilst you're here.

Discover Bucks Museum
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discoverbucksmuseum.org



