



24 January
2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy week in school with more to look forward to next week; including Year 3 and 4 visiting the Living Rainforest and UK Astronomy coming into school with their planetarium to support the learning Year 5 and 6 are doing.

Rotary Club Christmas Float

This week we were presented with a cheque for £602 from the Rotary Club who raised the funds with their Father Christmas float in Twyford, Charndon and Poundon. Thank you very much to everyone who donated, and all the volunteers who accompanied Father Christmas on what was a very wet and windy evening.

The money is being used to fund three new Chromebooks for use in school. These have already been ordered and will shortly be available for the children to use.

Donations for Akwaaba Volunteers

I would like to thank everyone who has donated shoes, trainers or sports clothing ahead of my visit to Ghana over February half-term. There is still some space left in the case, especially for sports clothing that is still in good usable condition – all sizes are welcomed. If you have any items that you can donate, please send them into school or drop them off in the box outside the office. Thank you.

House Fundraiser – Churchill House

You will have seen via ParentMail that Churchill House have launched their house fundraiser for Akwaaba Volunteers this week. They are hosting a **Virtual Balloon Race** from 3rd February until 10th February when the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will receive a scrumptious chocolate prize!

Taking part is very easy, and environmentally friendly. To enter, simply visit [Balloon Race](#) then click on 'Buy a Balloon' and customise away choosing your balloon's shape, colour and even nick-name!

Balloons cost **£3 each**, and you can buy as many as you like. Perhaps family and friends would like to join us raising money for this fantastic cause.

We'll be tracking the balloons in class to see how far they go, and where they visit on the way!

Fresh Start School Meals

Just a quick reminder **NO** changes can be made to your menu choices after the deadline **of 9am on the Thursday prior.**

Should you have chosen a menu item your child does not like, your options are:

- Provide a packed lunch for that day
or
- Choose a blue or yellow option **BEFORE 9am** on the day **BUT** please be aware this will be charged as a second meal.

Online Safety Newsletter

The January issue of our online safety newsletter is attached to this ParentMail. In this issue there are short articles and information about Fortnite Battle Royale, Social Media Influencers, Getting to know Age Ratings and well as asking the question about a Smartphone Free Childhood. These newsletters are full of tips and information that is useful for you to know or be aware of if your child is playing games or accessing online content.

New Diary Dates

New dates for your diary are as follows:

- 29th January 2025, UK Astronomy Planetarium for Year 5/6
- 3rd – 10th February, Churchill Fundraiser Virtual Balloon Race
- 4th February, Bucks Health Screening Reception, Year 5 & Year 6
- 6th March, World Book Day
- 12th March, Nightingale House Fundraiser, details to follow
- 1st April, Easter Service at St.Mary's, Twyford at 9.15am
- 4th April, Rothschild House Fundraiser, details to follow
- 22nd May, Year 5 Science Festival at the Royal Latin School
- 30th June, School Nurse vision checks for Reception class

All dates that have previously been shared are available to view on the website school calendar [here](#).

I wish you all a wonderful 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 | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 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 |

| TERM DATES 2025/2026 | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Autumn 1 Term 2025 | 4 th September 2025 | 24 th October 2025 |
| Autumn 2 Term 2025 | 4 th November 2025 | 19 th December 2025 |
| Spring 1 Term 2026 | 6 th January 2026 | 13 th February 2026 |
| Spring 2 Term 2026 | 23 rd February 2026 | 27 th March 2026 |
| Summer 1 Term 2026 | 13 th April 2026 | 22 nd May 2026 |
| Summer 2 Term 2026 | 2 nd June 2026 | 21 st July 2026 |

**Twyford
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**School
Diary**



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| DATES FOR YOUR DIARY | | |
|---|-----|---|
| Thursday 29th January 2025 | | Year 3 & 4 Visit to The Living Rainforest |
| Thursday 29th January 2025 | New | UK Astronomy Planetarium for Yea 5/6 |
| Monday 3rd – Monday 10th February 2025 | New | Churchill House Virtual Balloon Race Fundraiser |
| Friday 14th February 2025 | | School breaks up for half term |
| Monday 24th February 2025 | | School re-opens after half term |
| Thursday 6th March 2025 | New | World Book Day |
| Wednesday 12th March 2025 | New | Nightingale House Fundraiser |
| Monday 17th March 2025 | | Year 5 & 6 Visit to Bletchley Park, Home of the Code-breakers |
| Tuesday 1st April | NEW | Easter Service at St.Mary's Church, Twyford, 9.15am |
| Friday 4th April 2025 | New | Rothschild House Fundraiser |
| Friday 4th April 2025 | | School breaks up for Easter |
| Tuesday 22nd April 2025 | | School re-open after Easter |
| Thursday 24th April 2025 | | Class Photographs |
| Monday 5th May 2025 | | May Bank Holiday – School closed |
| Thursday 22nd May 2025 | New | Year 5 Science Festival at the Royal Latin School |
| Friday 23rd May 2025 | | School breaks up for half term |
| Monday 2nd June 2025 | | INSET Day |
| Tuesday 3rd June 2025 | | School re-opens after half term |
| Monday 30th June 2025 | New | School Nurse Vision Checks for Reception Class |
| Tuesday 22nd July 2025 | | School breaks up for summer |
| Wednesday 23rd July 2025 | | INSET Day |
| Wednesday 3rd September 2025 | | INSET Day |
| Thursday 4th September 2025 | | School re-opens after summer break |
| Tuesday 21st October | | Individual photographs |
| Friday 24th October 2025 | | School breaks up for half term |
| Monday 3rd November 2025 | | INSET Day |
| Tuesday 4th November 2025 | | School re-opens after half term |
| Friday 19th December 2025 | | School breaks up for Christmas holiday |
| Monday 5th January 2026 | | INSET Day |
| Tuesday 6th January 2026 | | School re-opens after Christmas break |
| Friday 13th February 2026 | | School breaks up for half term |
| Monday 23rd February 2026 | | School re-opens after half term |
| Friday 27th March 2026 | | School breaks up for Easter holiday |
| Monday 13th April 2026 | | School re-opens after Easter break |
| Monday 1st June 2026 | | INSET Day |
| Friday 22nd May 2026 | | School breaks up for half term |
| Tuesday 2nd June 2026 | | School re-opens after half term |
| Wednesday 22nd July 2026 | | INSET Day |

