

Summer Term 2017 – Newsletter Number 1



Tanners Wood JMI School

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Letters/Communications out this week

- Bikeability – Year 5
- Height/Weight Checks & Health Questionnaire – Year 6
- Flu Vaccination – Years R – 4
- Secondary School Transfer – Year 6
- Photographs

Autumn 2017- new dates in bold

20 th September	Van Cols Individual/Family Photographs
20th September	7.30pm FOTW Cheese & Wine / AGM
22 nd September	Year 3 Celtic Harmony Trip
25 th – 29 th September	Year 5 Bikeability
25 th – 29 th September	Year 6 Kingswood Trip
28 th September	Year 4 Tri Golf
3rd October	Year 6 Height/Weight & Health Survey
4th October	Year 4 Chiltern Open Air Museum
11 th - 13 th October	You-nique enrichment days
12th October	Spruce class assembly
16 th October	Early (3.30-6pm) parent consultations
18 th October	Late (5-8pm) parent consultations
19 th October	Head Teacher's tea party
20 th October	INSET Day (children not in)
23 rd – 27 th October	Half Term
2nd November	Oak class assembly
2nd November	Netball tournament 3.30pm
7 th November	Year 5 Fun Run at St Pauls School
8 th November	Flu vaccinations Years R - 4
9 th November	Year 6 basketball Francis Combe 4-6pm
14 th November	Year 6 Bletchley Park Trip
15 th November	Governor Day
17 th November	Anti-Bullying Day
20 th November	OCCASIONAL DAY (children not in)
22nd November	Year 5 Royal Observatory Trip
23 rd November	Rapid Ts Year 3/4 -Rickmansworth School
27th November	Year 4 Dance Festival
7th December	Year 1/2 House event film quiz
8th December	Christmas lunch
12 th December	Year 1/2 Aladdin at Palace Theatre
13th December	1.45 KS1 Christmas play to parents
14th December	KS2 Christmas parties
14th December	9.30am KS1 Christmas play to parents
14th December	1.45 Reception Christmas play to parents
15th December	EYFS / KS1 Christmas parties
15th December	11am Nursery Carol Concert to parents
15 th December	Head Teacher's tea party
18 th December	Nursery/Reception Mr Marvel Entertainer
18th/19th December	KS2 film quizzes
19 th December	End of Term – early finish 1.30pm

Class Assembly

9.05am on Thursday mornings. Parents/carers of the class are welcome.

Date	Class
12 th October	Spruce
2 nd November	Oak
25 th January	Larch
22 nd February	Willow
8 th March	Holly
15 th March	Pine
19 th April	Maple
26 th April	Rowan
10 th May	Cypress
17 th May	Juniper
14 th June	Elm
21 st June	Fir
28 th June	Ash
5 th July	Beech
12 th July	Nursery

Reminder of term dates for 2017-18.

Please take into account when making arrangements for holidays.

Spring Term Starts	3 rd January 2018
Half Term	12 th – 16 th February
Easter Break	30 th March – 13 th April
Summer Term Starts	16 th April
May Bank Holiday	7 th May
INSET Day (children not in)	25 th May
Half Term	28 th May – 1 st June
Occasional Day - school closed (children not in)	2 nd July
Term Ends for children	24 th July at 1.30pm
INSET Day (children not in)	25 th July

Environment Award

The winner this week is Nursery class, well done for keeping your classroom and cloakroom area neat, tidy and well organised!

Meet the Teacher

We have had a very good attendance at our Meet the Teacher evenings this week. If you were unable to attend, the PowerPoint slides will be put on the school website shortly. Thanks to all parents who were able to attend.

Attendance for the Week

Good attendance is key to excellent standards of learning. Our attendance is not as good as it could be and we appreciate your support with ensuring your child is in school every day. They should only be absent if they are ill.

Where attendance of individual children is causing concern this will be rigorously followed up by the senior leadership team.

Class	Red Less than 95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Cypress		95.3	
Elm			99.6
Fir			98.3
Holly		95.8	
Juniper			98.2
Larch			100
Maple			100
Oak		95.4	
Pine	94.8		
Rowan			99.1
Spruce		95.8	
Willow			97.2

The winners of the Attendance Cup this week are Maple and Larch Classes!

Healthy Schools Award

We have just been awarded Healthy Schools Status! As a school we recognise the importance of meeting the health and wellbeing, as well as the academic needs of our children and young people. There is a well established correlation between health and educational achievement.

We aim to support the health and wellbeing of children and young people.

New Footpath

As you will have seen, we have a lovely new footpath leading to the main office. Please ensure you use the path **at all times** and do not allow your children to walk on the driveway.

Reading Letters

Watch out for letters about how you can support your child's reading coming home in their bags next week. This area remains a high priority for the school improvement plan and we appreciate your support in helping us achieve excellent results and a love of reading. The changes we made last year in the teaching of reading had a good impact on our results.

Photographs

A letter has gone home today regarding the individual and family photographs being taken of the children on Wednesday 20th September.

iPad Chargers

We would be grateful for any donations of iPad chargers.

Music Concert for Key Stage 2

This year Key Stage 2 children (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) will be performing a music concert to their parents later on in the academic year. This concert will be held on 7th March 2018 during the evening so that parents can come along and watch. Further details will be sent out in the spring term 2018.

Silver Sports Mark

We applied for a sports mark this year and I am extremely pleased to say we have achieved a silver award! Well done to all the children and staff supporting fitness and active children at Tanners Wood.

The School Games Mark is a government led award scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Participating in this process allows schools to evaluate their PE provision and assists them in developing an action plan for future progress.

In order to apply for this scheme, we evidenced the P.E provision we provided and ensured the children enjoy this. For example, we provided the children with 2 hours per week of PE (indoor and outdoor), opportunities to take part in house events, sports partnership events, intra-house competitions, partnership finals, county finals, active games at lunchtimes, marathon running and most importantly sports day!

This year, 2017-2018, we are aiming for a gold award - so look out for more regular reports and results of sporting events on our website, on our blog and in the local press.

Green Team

As many of you know we run a very successful and popular Forest Schools programme in school, led by Mr Dunham, who is fully trained to lead this intervention programme.

Forest school allows everyone the opportunity to learn through experience within a woodland setting in a hands on manner to develop their self-esteem and confidence

Forest School helps to develop:

- Confidence and self-esteem
- Communication and social skills
 - Physical skills
- Greater understanding and awareness of the natural environment
- Natural motivation and a positive attitude to learning
 - The ability to recognise and manage risk
 - Healthier lifestyles

Some children will have received an invitation to attend Green Team over the next half term. If you have any queries or questions about the programme please speak to Mr Dunham. We feel sure your children will enjoy and benefit from the sessions.

FOTW Cheese & Wine Evening / AGM

Please come along to our fun and informal evening on Wednesday 20th September at 7.30pm. All welcome and coming along won't mean you have to commit to anything!

Tanners Wood End of Key Stage Results 2017

We would like to share with you below the excellent results our children achieved at the end of the summer term in all key stages. As you will see we have achieved results which are above the national figures in all key stages. Well done to all of our fabulous children and a big thank you to all the staff who have been involved in teaching these children at some point. We have much to be proud of.

EYFS Good Level of Development 2017

Percentage of Pupils Working at Age Related Expectations

	Tanners Wood	National (2017)	Herts (2017)
Good Level of Development	73%	71%	72%

SATS KS1 Results 2017

Percentage of Pupils Working at Age Related Expectations

	Tanners Wood	National (2017)	Herts (2017)
Reading	80%	74%	78%
Writing	78%	65%	71%
Maths	82%	73%	77%
Re, Wr, Ma	75%	64%	67%

Percentage of Pupils Working at Greater Depth (110+)

	Tanners Wood	National (2017)	Herts (2017)
Reading	22%	25%	32%
Writing	20%	16%	21%
Maths	22%	21%	25%
Re, Wr, Ma	17%	11%	15%

SATS KS2 Results 2017

Percentage of Pupils Working at Age Related Expectations

	Tanners Wood	National (2017)	Herts (2017)
Reading	87%	72%	76%
Writing	82%	77%	79%
Maths	93%	75%	77%
Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation	87%	77%	80%
Re, Wr, Ma	76%	61%	65%

Percentage of Pupils Working at Greater Depth (110+)

	Tanners Wood	National (2017)	Herts
Reading	13%	25%	30%
Writing	29%	18%	24%
Maths	38%	23%	26%
Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation	44%	31%	34%
Re, Wr, Ma	9%	9%	12%