

# Autumn Term 2017 – Newsletter Number 5



## Tanners Wood JMI School

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### Letters/Communications out this week

- KS2 House Event
- After School Football Clubs
- Secondary School Transfer
- ICT Acceptable Use & Home School Agreements
- Harvest Festival and Van Cols Photographs

### Autumn 2017- new dates in bold

<b>16<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Harvest Assembly with Rev Peter Waddell</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations 3.30pm–6pm
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations 5pm– 8pm
19 <sup>th</sup> October	Head Teacher's tea party
20 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET Day (children not in)
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Oak class assembly
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Netball tournament 3.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Fun Run at St Pauls School
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Pine Class Parent Consultations
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu vaccinations Years R – 4
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 basketball Francis Combe 4-6pm
14 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 Bletchley Park Trip
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Governor Day
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Day
18 <sup>th</sup> November	FOTW Quiz Night
20 <sup>th</sup> November	OCCASIONAL DAY (children not in)
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Year 5 Royal Observatory Trip
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Rapid Ts Year 3/4 - Rickmansworth School
27 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Dance Festival 7pm
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 House event film quiz
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1/2 Aladdin at Palace Theatre
13 <sup>th</sup> December	1.45pm KS1 Christmas play to parents
14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas parties
14 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am KS1 Christmas play to parents
14 <sup>th</sup> December	1.45pm Reception Christmas play to parents
15 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS / KS1 Christmas parties
15 <sup>th</sup> December	11am Nursery Carol Concert to parents
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Head Teacher's tea party
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery/Reception Mr Marvel Entertainer
18 <sup>th</sup> /19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 film quizzes
19 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term – early finish 1.30pm

### Spring 2018 – new dates in bold

3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Terms starts
4 <sup>th</sup> January	Swimming restarts for Year 3
25 <sup>th</sup> January	Larch class assembly
1 <sup>st</sup> February	Young Voices Concert – Junior Choir
5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> February	Computing Week
<b>6<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Nursery Tour – please contact the office</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent Workshop e-safety
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Van Cols photographers (team/class photos)
<b>21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Nursery Tour – please contact the office</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Late parent consultations</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Early parent consultations</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Willow Class Assembly</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Governor Day</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>World Book Day</b>

### Harvest Assembly

The Reverend Peter Waddell will be visiting us on the morning of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> of October as we are holding a Harvest Festival Assembly. We would be grateful for donations of non-perishable food items (e.g. tea bags, coffee, sugar, cereals, tinned goods, biscuits, pasta, rice) which will be given to the Three Rivers Refugee Partnership. We would like every child at the school to kindly bring in at least one item to support this local charity. Please note this assembly is for children and staff only.

### Internal Clubs/Year 6 Booster Sessions

Remember there are **no** internal clubs during the week of parent consultations. However, the Year 6 booster sessions will still be running.

### Attendance for the Week

Class	Red Less than 95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Apple			99.3
Ash			98.6
Beech		95.3	
Cypress		95.3	
Elm			98.3
Fir			97.0
Holly		95.3	
Juniper	91.7		
Larch			96.7
Maple			98.0
Oak			98.0
Pine			98.7
Rowan	94.0		
Spruce			96.9
Willow	91.1		

The winner of the Attendance Cup this week is Apple class!

### House Captains and Head Boy/Girl

House	House Captains
Morpurgo	Papa and Lilly
Fine	Sam and Tia
Blake	Oliver and Joy
Wilson	Joe and Grace

We are also delighted to report that Aleksandra and Mikey have been chosen to be our Head Girl and Head Boy.

### **Environment Award**

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

### **Request from Key Stage 1 teachers**

Please can all parents help the teachers at morning drop off by saying goodbye to their children promptly when the whistle is blown. Teachers would really appreciate all parents/carers standing back **away from the class lines** so that they can get the children into classrooms quickly and safely. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Class Assemblies**

9.05am on Thursday mornings. Parents/carers of the children are invited to come along and watch.

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

### **Parent Consultations**

Every parent/carer needs to make an appointment to see their child's class teacher next week. If you have not yet made your appointment please use the booking system to do so. If you need support with this then call into the office and they can arrange this for you. Mr Harris will be undertaking his parent consultations on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> of November.

### **Home School Agreement**

A Parentmail has been sent home this week with a copy of the Home School Agreement document. Please read this document before attending your parent consultation appointment.

### **Maths Policy**

At our staff meeting on Wednesday afternoon we reviewed both the maths policy and maths calculation policy. These policies have now been agreed with all staff and can be found on the school website.

Parents will find the calculation policy particularly helpful as it enables them to see the methods we use to teach the children calculations.

### **You-Nique Week**

The children have had a fabulous week celebrating our differences. Activities have included wheelchair basketball, a talk about dyslexia and seated boccia.



**Year 6 Pupils Taking Part in Wheelchair Basketball**

### **House Event for KS2**

We are very excited about holding our first house event of this academic year on Tuesday afternoon, 17<sup>th</sup> October. The children have been playing handball this week with Mr Eracli in PE lessons, ready to play on Tuesday.

For this event and all future house events, we would like the children to wear their house colours. We would prefer the children to wear as plain a t-shirt as they have (as they do at sports day) but if there is a small picture/logo/writing that is absolutely fine. Please can children bring the t-shirt to school in their bags on the day. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you  
Mrs Coe  
PE Leader

### **Spruce Class Assembly**

Our first class assembly of the year took place on Thursday. We listened to the children as they told us about their fabulous trip to Kingswood. They clearly loved the Leap of Faith! They read some beautiful and moving poems about diversity. Well done Spruce class, you spoke clearly and with much passion.

### **Reading at home**

The expectation, as outlined in the Home School Agreement, is for all children to read daily to an adult. Please can I ask every parent/carer to support their child with reading by hearing them read and signing their reading record daily.

Reading is an essential skill that helps all children access the whole curriculum. If you require any advice or support you will find information on our school website or you can speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your ongoing support.