

Autumn Term 2017 – Newsletter Number 12



Tanners Wood JMI School

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Letters/Communications out this week

- Spring Menu
- Internal Clubs
- Christmas Performances – Years R, 1 & 2
- Reception Applications

Autumn 2017- new dates in bold

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| 12 th December | Year 1/2 Aladdin at Palace Theatre |
| 13 th December | 1.45pm KS1 Christmas play to parents |
| 14 th December | KS2 Christmas parties |
| 14 th December | 9.30am KS1 Christmas play to parents |
| 14 th December | 1.45pm Year R Christmas play to parents |
| 15 th December | EYFS / KS1 Christmas parties |
| 15 th December | 11am Nursery Carol Concert to parents |
| 15 th December | Head Teacher's tea party |
| 18 th December | Nursery/Reception Mr Marvel Entertainer |
| 18th December | Visit to Arden House - singing |
| 18 th /19 th December | KS2 film quizzes |
| 19 th December | Reception visit to Abbots Langley Church |
| 19 th December | End of Term – early finish 1.30pm |

Spring 2018 – new dates in bold

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| 3 rd January | Term starts |
| 4 th January | Swimming restarts for Year 3 |
| 9th January | School Attendance Officer visit |
| 9th January | Phonics workshop at 5.15pm |
| 15th January | Deadline for Reception applications |
| 15th January | KS1 reading workshop for parents at 5.15pm |
| 17th January | KS2 reading workshop for parents at 5.30pm |
| 17 th January | FOTW meeting at 7.30pm |
| 18th January | Nursery tour at 9.15am |
| 22nd January | Year 3 Freshwater Theatre - Egyptians |
| 25 th January | Larch class assembly |
| 30th January | KS2 Dodgeball House Event |
| 30th January | Governor Training at 7-9pm |
| 1 st February | Young Voices Concert |
| 2nd February | Nursery tour at 9.15am |
| 2nd February | FOTW disco |
| 5th February | Reception – Dinosaur Workshop |
| 5 th -7 th February | Computing Week |
| 6 th February | Nursery Tour |
| 7 th February | Parent Workshop e-safety |
| 8 th February | Van Cols photographers (team/class photos) |
| 21 st February | Nursery Tour |
| 21st February | School Health – Hearing/Sight Checks (Ash) |
| 21 st February | Late parent consultations |
| 22 nd February | Early parent consultations |
| 22 nd February | Willow Class Assembly |
| 23rd February | School Health – Hearing/Sight Checks (Beech) |
| 28 th February | Governor Day |
| 1 st March | World Book Day |
| 7 th March | KS2 Music Concert |
| 8 th March | Holly Class Assembly |
| 13 th March | Full Governing Body Meeting |
| 15 th March | Pine Class Assembly |
| 26 th -28 th March | Arts Week |
| 29 th March | Last day of term – early finish 1.30pm |

Attendance for the Week

| Class | Red Less than 95% | Amber 95% | Green 96%+ |
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| Apple | | | 96.6 |
| Ash | | | 96.0 |
| Beech | 89.3 | | |
| Cypress | | | 96.7 |
| Elm | 94.7 | | |
| Fir | | | 99.0 |
| Holly | 93.3 | | |
| Juniper | 94.7 | | |
| Larch | | | 99.7 |
| Maple | | | 96.0 |
| Oak | | | 97.7 |
| Pine | 94.7 | | |
| Rowan | | | 98.3 |
| Spruce | | | 97.3 |
| Willow | | | 98.1 |

The winner of the Attendance Cup this week is Larch class. Well done!

Christmas

It's beginning to feel rather Christmassy in school! Play rehearsals are in full swing and we are all looking forward to watching performances next week. The children and staff enjoyed eating their Christmas lunch together today, wearing their Christmas jumpers.

Christmas Fayre

We thought you'd like to know that we raised £3400 at the Christmas Fayre, which is an incredible amount. Mrs Irwing and Mrs Hammond did an amazing job and we would like to thank them for their hard work and support.

We also raised £880 at the Quiz Night last month so a huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Jump for their efforts.

The FOTW has raised about £6000 since September, which will go towards providing much needed resources for your children's education.

We are very grateful for all their efforts.

Music Lessons

Please ensure any outstanding invoices for the Spring term are paid before the end of term. Thank you to those parents who have already paid.

Book Swap

We have had a good response to the book swap. The teachers have made a note of the children who have brought in a book and they will be able to choose another book in the new year.

Phonics Workshops

Thank you to all parents/carers who came to the EYFS phonics workshops in both Reception and Nursery. We had a fantastic turn out. We hope you enjoyed watching your children doing their phonics sessions and learned something about how we teach phonics at Tanners Wood. Don't forget we have the evening workshop coming up soon on the 9th January at 5.15pm. We would love to see you there.

SEND Coffee Morning

It was lovely to have a chance to chat with parents of children with special needs last week. We also had a visit from an ex parent to talk about her experiences of special provision. We would love to see a few more people attend and would welcome any feedback. (Mrs Leonard)

Bronze Merit Certificates

We are delighted that the following children achieved their Bronze Merit certificates this week: Harry, Elliot (Ash), Stevie, Anneka (Beech), Jason, Sharin (Elm)

Merits are earned for learning, effort and behaviour and each of the children above have earned ten merits. Well done!

Environment Award

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

School Admissions Consultation

The consultation on school admission arrangements for 2019/20 is open and runs until January the 5th 2018. Please visit the link below to complete the online response form.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2019>

Internal Clubs

All internal clubs will run next week with the exception of the Netball and Eco Warrior Clubs as Mrs Radia and Mrs Keith are out on a school trip which returns at 5pm.

Toddlers

When you are collecting your child after school, please can we ask that all younger siblings and toddlers are supervised at all times to ensure their safety.

Class Assemblies

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

| Date | Class |
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| 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 |

School Applications

The application process for children starting Reception in September 2018 opened on Monday 6th November 2017. The application deadline is 15th January 2018. The link below gives more information about the application process:

http://www.intra.thegrid.org.uk/admissions/documents/under_11s_2018_leaflet.pdf

Appropriate Clothing

Please ensure your children are sent into school appropriately dressed for the cold weather.

The children are outside for a considerable portion of the day and therefore should wear warm coats, hats and gloves.

We appreciate your co-operation in this matter.

Mobile Phones

Children of all ages have mobile phones, often the latest versions and many other personal devices. They offer great opportunities for communicating, sharing and accessing many exciting applications. There are, however, some online safety concerns and we would encourage pupils, parents and carers to read this guidance:
<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/mobiles/>

Only children in Year 5/6 who are walking home from school without an adult are permitted to bring a phone into school and this must be kept in the office during the day.