



Tanners Wood JMI School

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We Care – We Challenge – We Learn

Letters/Communications out this week

- FOTW 80s Night
- FOTW Disco
- Touch Typing, Coding & Gymnastics Clubs

Spring 2018 – new dates in bold

17 th January	KS2 reading workshop for parents at 5.30pm
17 th January	FOTW meeting at 7.30pm
18 th January	Nursery tour
22 nd January	Year 3 Freshwater Theatre - Egyptians
25 th January	Larch class assembly
30 th January	KS2 Dodgeball House Event
30 th January	Governor Training
1 st February	Young Voices Concert
2 nd February	Nursery tour
2 nd February	FOTW disco
5 th February	Reception – Dinosaur Workshop
5 th -7 th February	Computing Week
7 th February	Parent Workshop - e-safety
21 st February	Nursery Tour
21 st 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
23 rd 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

Smartwatches

Please ensure you do not send your child into school with a smart watch which includes a camera as this raises safeguarding issues within school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Head's Update

Welcome back to all parents and children and a Happy New Year to all. The children have made an excellent start to the term. Updated topic webs are available on the school website.

Staff Leaver

We say a sad goodbye to Mrs Davis in the office. She has been with us as a much valued employee for many years. As her own children are now grown up she has decided to move on. We wish her all the best with her new adventures. I'm sure you will join us in saying how much we will miss both her friendly face and her efficient help in the office.

School Attendance Officer Visit

The school attendance officer, Helen Spooner, visited this week. During this visit we analysed the reasons for any children whose attendance falls below 'good'. Any absence which has a recognisable pattern, is as a result of unauthorised absence or where there are a large number of late marks is being rigorously followed up by her.

Where attendance is of great concern then parents will be expected to attend a meeting with the attendance officer and if this is the case, you will receive a letter inviting you to a meeting over the new few weeks.

This is because poor attendance can have a significant impact on a child's progress. Only attendance above 96% is considered good.

Book Exchange

The first session of the Tanners Wood Book Exchange will be taking place after school in Pine Class on Tuesday the 23rd January. Bring along any books you no longer want to exchange for others in the room. If you have already donated, we have noted how many books you gave so you can come and see what is on offer! This is a fantastic opportunity to refresh your children's bookcases for free!

Environment Award

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

Reading Workshops

We had very positive feedback from the parents who attended our Early Years phonics workshop this week.

We have a KS1 meeting planned for the 15th of January at 5.30pm as well as a KS2 meeting for the 17th of January at 5.30pm.

Parents will be able to learn about the approaches used at Tanners Wood and how they can best support your child. We hope to see many of you there!

Bronze Merit Certificates

We are delighted that the following children have achieved their Bronze Merit certificates:

Tayiba, Alex, Barney, Matthew, Harvey, Jessica, Charlie, Thomas, Jj(Fir), Harry (Juniper), Amy (Pine), Rowen (Rowan), Joseph, Ben, Ciara, Amy (Spruce), Kean, Madeleine, Summer, Grace (Willow)

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

Silver Merit Certificates

Jessica in Willow has also achieved her Silver Merit certificate, well done!

Internal Clubs

These clubs started this week with the exception of the Coding Club which begins on 17th January.

Save a Life - Give Blood

Friday 2 February

12:40 to 15:30 & 17:00 to 19:30

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Hempstead Road, Watford

blood.co.uk 0300 123 23 23

Class Assemblies

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

Date	Class
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

FOTW 80s Night

On Friday 2nd March from 7.30-11.00pm at Trowley Rise Club, Trowley Rise, Abbots Langley

Get your neon tutus and shoulder pads ready for the FOTW 80s night! There will be a disco, prizes for the best dressed, a raffle, a tuck shop and a cash prize to be won!

This is an adult's only event, over 18s only please!

Tickets are £10 each and need to be ordered by Friday 23rd February.

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