

Autumn Term 2019 – Newsletter Number 11



Tanners Wood JMI School

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Term Dates 2019 – 2020

Christmas holiday: 23 December 2019 - 3 January 2020

Half term holiday: 17 February 2020 - 21 February 2020

Easter holiday: 6 April 2020 - 17 April 2020

Inset day: 22 May 2020

Half term holiday: 25 May 2020 - 29 May 2020

Inset day: 20 July 2020

Occasional day: 21 July 2020

Summer holiday: 22 July 2020 - 2 September 2020

Holidays **must not** be booked during term time.

Autumn Term 2019

10 December	Reception health screening – Ash Class
10 December	Yr2 Christmas performance – 2pm
13 December	Head Teacher's Party – new date
13 December	Reception Christmas performance – 1.45pm
16 December	Reception visit to St. Lawrence's Church
16 December	Choir performance at Arden House
16/17 December	Book Exchange
17 December	Mr Marvel – Reception and Nursery
18 December	Christmas lunch / Jumper Day
19 December	Nursery 'Stay and Play' (info to follow)
19 December	Yr 1/2 pantomime
20 December	Last day of term (1.30pm finish)

New entries each week will be in bold

Spring Term 2020

6 th January	Spring Term starts
6th January	Reception health screening – Beech Class – date change
8 th January	Nursery/Reception Tour – please speak to the office if you would like to book.
10 th January	Year 6 Bletchley Park Trip
15 th January	SEND support meeting – invited parents only
16 th January	Rowan Class assembly
17 th January	Attendance officer visit – selected parents to be invited
21 st January	TBC – Netball Final (info to follow)
23 rd January	Oak Class assembly
27 th January	Dodgeball Tournament
28 th January	Year 3 Freshwater Theatre
4 th February	Year 6 height and weight checks
4 th February	Girls football tournament
6 th February	Larch Class assembly
7 th February	Year 4 Hazard Alley
7 th February	Year 5 Affinity Water
11 th February	Early parent consultations 3.30-6pm
13 th February	Dinosaur workshop - Reception
13 th February	Late parent consultations 5.30-8pm
14 th February	Break up half term (usual time)
17 th -21 st February	Half Term
24 th February	Term starts
26 th February	Governor Day
27 th February	Fir Class assembly
27 th February	Larch Class swimming
3 rd March	Year 1 Kew Gardens
12 th March	Juniper Class assembly
18 th March	Voice in a Million Concert
19 th March	Cypress Class assembly
1 st April	Class and team photos
3 rd April	End of term – early finish 1.30pm

Sickness & Diarrhoea

We have had several instances this week where children have been brought to school the day after having had sickness or diarrhoea. In these cases, we will always ask that children are collected. Please help us to reduce the spread of infection by ensuring that children do not return to school until 48 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

Gates

We have noticed a few parents dropping children to pre-school and talking to Tanners Wood children over the gates. For safeguarding reasons, could we kindly ask you to refrain from talking to the children during school time please.

Walk to School Scheme

We are continuing to participate in the WOW year-round 'Walk to School Challenge' every day. We want as many children as possible to experience the benefits that walking to school brings.

The WOW scheme rewards children who walk to school at least once a week with a collectible badge each month. This will increase to two times a week from January 2020. There are 11 badges to collect across the year, and daily journeys are logged by pupils on the interactive WOW Travel Tracker, accessed through our school's SMART TV's and iPads. If you already cycle or scoot to school, these will also count towards earning a WOW badge.

Should you have any further queries, please feel free to come and speak to me.

Let's swap those school runs for school walks.

Mrs Vassiliou

School Meal Payments

We have had an overwhelming response to school meal payments – thank you, it is much appreciated! School meals for Y3-6 are charged at £2.25 per day and must be paid for in advance unless you are receipt of Free School Meals.

Environment Award

The winner this week is Spruce Class; well done for keeping your classroom and cloakroom area neat, tidy and well organised!

Class Assemblies

Parents and carers are invited to attend a class assembly on a **Thursday morning from 9am** on the dates below. The adults are welcome to come back to the class after the assembly.

Class	Date
Rowan	16 th January
Oak	23 rd January
Larch	6 th February
Fir	27 th February
Juniper	12 th March
Cypress	19 th March
Elm	30 th April
Ash	14 th May
Beech	11 th June
Apple	25 th June

Merit Certificates

Merits are awarded for learning, effort and behaviour. To achieve a Bronze certificate each child must have been awarded 10 merits, 20 merits for Silver and 30 for Gold. Well done!

Bronze:

Ash – Annie

Cypress – Matthew, Payam

Fir – Ruby

Oak – Tayiba, Harriet

Spruce – Maya, Martha, Austin, Marli-Rae, Alice, Charlie, Luke, Ria, Gracie, Sienna, Sam S, Sophie-Rose, Isla

Willow – Leila A-B, Isabel, Leila G, Bradley, Kenzie, Ada, Freya, Sienna, Ellen, Jake, Ben, Isla, Luke, Theo, Abbie, Elizabeth

Christmas Dinner

All children are invited to have Christmas dinner with the staff on **Wednesday 18th December**. Please complete the ParentMail form by Friday 6th December to confirm your child's preferred lunch option, **including whether they will be bringing a packed lunch from home.**

Children from Reception to Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. School meals for Years 3-6 are charged at £2.25 unless you are in receipt of Free School Meals. **Please ensure that payment of £2.25 is made via ParentMail, by visiting the 'Accounts' section to top up your balance by Friday 6th December.**



Attendance for the Week

Class	Red <95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Apple			96.0
Ash		95.3	
Beech			97.9
Cypress	92.4		
Elm		95.2	
Fir	91.7		
Holly	93.8		
Juniper	90.7		
Larch	94.8		
Maple		95.9	
Oak	94.0		
Pine	92.7		
Rowan			98.0
Spruce			97.0
Willow		95.0	

Well done to Rowan Class with 98% attendance last week!

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone that came to and donated to the Friends of Tanners Wood Christmas Fayre last Sunday. It was a thoroughly enjoyable day and a great success, raising an amazing £3,041.91 which will go towards renovating outdoor play areas. Your support is hugely appreciated!

