

# Autumn Term 2020 – Newsletter Number 5



Tanners Wood JMI School

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

## Term Dates 2020-21

### **Autumn Term 2020**

Half term: Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Term Ends: Friday 18th December 1.30pm

### **Spring Term 2021**

Children in: Monday 4th January

Half term: Monday 15th – Friday 19th February

Term Ends: Friday 26th March 1.30pm

### **Summer Term 2021**

Children in: Monday 12th April

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May

Inset day: Friday 28th May

Half term: Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Term Ends: Friday 16th July 1.30pm

Date	Event
10th May 2021	Year 6 SATS week
May 2021	Year 2 SATS
W/B 7th June 2021	Y 1 Phonics testing
W/B 7th June 2021	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Dates for the 2021-22 Academic Year will be agreed and notified to you shortly.

## Calling the Absence Line

Please ensure that you give specific details of your child's illness (not for example, feeling under the weather or ill) if you leave a message on the absence line.

This is particularly important if your child has any COVID symptoms and will ensure your child's absence is correctly coded on the register.

## Time Out

As the wrap around care provision is run separately by 'Time Out', it is vitally important that parents ensure all important communication regarding your child is done to **both** the school and the club

## Vacancies

We have a couple of vacancies for an SEN Teaching Assistant and a Midday Supervisory Assistant. If you are interested in either of these roles, please speak to Mrs Qureshi or Mrs Mudd in the playground or email into the admin address.

## Reminder – Parent Consultations

Thank you to those parents who have already made an appointment for a telephone consultation during the week of 19<sup>th</sup> of October. If you have not done so, bookings close on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October. The office will be happy to help you if you are struggling to make an appointment. Please call the office on 01923 262229 or email into the admin address.

Please be aware of the following:

- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct – children's school books sent home for parents to see child's learning
- Please ensure books are handled away from food and returned in good condition.
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – books **must be** returned to class teacher
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct – books to be used after 72 hour quarantine

## Black History Curriculum Enrichment Day

To celebrate Black History Month 2020, Tanners Wood have decided to take part in a Curriculum Enrichment Day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October. This day will be dedicated to increasing our awareness of prejudice and understanding the impact of treating others differently.

As a school community, given the current Black Lives Matter movement, we believe this is an imperative topic to approach and discuss with the children at an age appropriate level. We will be completing activities to acknowledge the lives of inspiring black people and celebrate our own differences and how they make us unique.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your on-going support.

Miss Reynolds and Miss Bennett, History Subject Leaders.



### Environment Award

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

### Attendance for the Week

Class	Red <95%	Amber 95%	Green 96%+
Apple			99.3
Ash			100
Beech			96.6
Cypress	89.6		
Elm			99.3
Fir			97.9
Holly			99.3
Juniper			98.0
Larch			96.2
Maple			98.3
Oak			98.7
Pine		95.0	
Rowan		95.9	
Spruce			97.6
Willow			96.3

Well done to Ash Class with 100% attendance last week.

Where children are required to take a COVID test due to symptoms, or to self-isolate because someone in their household is having a test, they are marked with a special code on the register, which does not impact on their attendance figures.

### Reception Tours for 2021 Admission

Do you have a child who is due to start school in 2021? Do you know of someone else who is considering sending their child to Tanners Wood? Please read the attached letter:

<https://tannerswood.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Letter-from-Mrs-Qureshi.pdf>

Then follow the link below to find out further information about admissions this year.

<https://tannerswood.herts.sch.uk/reception-nursery-tour-dates/>

### Message from FoTW

Thank you to the parents that spared part of their Monday evening this week to join the Friends of Tanners Wood AGM via Zoom. It was wonderful to welcome so many new faces to the meeting, albeit in the virtual world.

The voting process to appoint the roles on the committee took place, with Charlotte Baker appointed as the new Chair and Abbey Wrangles voted in to support her as Vice Chair. We have a new Secretary with Jo Hunter coming forward and Zoe Norman who will be supporting Jo as Vice Secretary. Thank you to Heather Fisher who has agreed to continue as Treasurer.

The meeting came up with lots of Covid-safe ideas for fundraising, which they look forward to sharing with you, including a Pumpkin carving competition for October half term.

Make sure you don't miss out on any details of how to get involved or lend your support by following the Facebook page 'the Friends of Tanners Wood School PTA'