

Autumn Term 2020 – Newsletter Number 11



Tanners Wood JMI School

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Be the Best You Can!



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

Term Dates 2020-21

Autumn Term 2020

Non Uniform: 4th December

Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day: 16th December

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

Dates for the 2021-22 academic year are available on the school website.

Merit Certificates

Merits are awarded for learning, effort and behaviour. A child must be awarded 10 merits to receive a bronze certificate, 20 merits for silver and 30 for gold. Well done to the following children for achieving theirs this week:

Cypress – Harry F, Harry S-H

Spruce – Drew, Cerys, Chase, Aoife, Bobby, Danny

Congratulations to Harry F in Cypress Class who was the first child in school to achieve a bronze certificate this academic year!



Keeping Safe

A reminder that if you or anyone in your household has any of the following symptoms, the person with the symptoms **MUST** have a COVID test:

- Temperature of 37.8 or above
- Continuous cough
- Loss of taste or smell

The entire household **MUST** isolate from the onset of these symptoms until a negative test result has been received. In the event of a positive test, please follow the advice given with the result.

We also request that the test result is emailed to admin@tannerswood.herts.sch.uk before your child returns to school.

Updated Government Advice

Please see the attached link to the updated document from Gov.uk for parents and carers:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

Face Coverings

Given rising case numbers and the new lockdown imposed, **please ensure that face coverings are worn when dropping off and collecting children.**

Benefit Related Free School Meals - Absence due to COVID-19

If your child is entitled to benefit related free school meals and is absent due to COVID, please contact the school office should you require assistance with a daily lunch for them.

Attendance Award Raffle

On Monday we had a virtual whole school assembly to draw the raffle ticket for all children with 100% attendance in Autumn 1. The children were very excited to write their names to go into the box. The lucky winner was Poppy in Larch Class.

In addition, Beech Class earned an extra playtime as there were 22 children in this class who had been in school every day. Well done also to Maple and Juniper Classes, which had 21 children with 100% attendance.

Environment Award

The winner this week is Spruce 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		95.5	
Ash			98.6
Beech			100
Cypress			100
Elm			100
Fir			98.6
Holly			99.3
Juniper			98.2
Larch			99.3
Maple			97.2
Oak			98.6
Pine			98.7
Rowan			98.6
Spruce	94.1		
Willow	93.8		

Another excellent week for attendance with almost all classes in the 'green'. Well done to Beech, Cypress and Elm Classes 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.

Whole School Attendance

Our whole school attendance currently stands at 97.2% (2019 – 96.7%). The percentage of persistently absent pupils is down, at 5.3% (2019 – 8%) so both figures are improved compared to last year. Persistent absence is any pupil with attendance below 90%.

Non-Uniform Day

Please note that Friday 4th December will be a non-uniform day in exchange for donations for the Christmas hampers. More information will follow shortly.

Time Out Club

Time Out is an independently run breakfast club (7.30am – 8.50am) and after school club (3.15pm – 6.15pm). They currently have spaces available. If you would like more information, please call either:

Angie 07956 306201
Karen 07947 064239

FOTW Family Zoom Quiz

Good luck to the 29 teams entered into this Saturday afternoons FOTW Family Zoom Quiz. The lucky winner will receive a £50 Just Eat voucher for their Saturday night takeaway. Thanks to all those taking part to support Friends of Tanners Wood.

Santa Suits

Thank you to those that ordered suits for the Santa Competition. They have been sent home today. We look forward to seeing your creations!

FOTW Christmas Colour Hamper Raffle/Non-Uniform Day

There might not be a Christmas Fayre but the raffle can still go ahead in a COVID safe way!

On Friday 4th December there will be a non-uniform day in exchange for donations for our Christmas Colour Hampers. Here are the class colours:

Apples – Green
Ash – Purple
Beech – Red
Cypress – Orange
Elm – Pink
Fir – Red
Holly – Gold/Silver
Juniper – White

Larch – Blue
Maple – Yellow
Oak – Orange
Pine – Pink
Rowan – Purple
Spruce – Blue
Willow – Green
Staff – Rainbow

Please send your child in with a donation in the appropriate colour and put it in the bag outside the class on that day. NO BREAKABLES PLEASE.

You can then buy raffle tickets at £1 per entry on ParentMail (see separate letter for details) until 9th December. The draw will take place on Facebook live on Saturday 12th December at 6pm. **Good Luck!**

