

Dear Parents/Carers.

Welcome back and a warm welcome to the children and families joining Tweeddale Primary School this term. We have five new members of staff joining our team. Mr. Powell as Deputy Headteacher who will be leading Foundation Stage and Teaching and Learning throughout the school as well as teaching in year 6. Mrs. Morris and Miss. Digman have joined us from local schools and will be teaching in Year 3 and Reception, both are excellent teachers who we are thrilled to have on our team. Ms. Sylvester and Ms. Rinck are new teachers whose enthusiasm for teaching is infectious. They will be teaching in Year 5 and Year 4.I am proud of the strong team of teachers and learning support assistants at Tweeddale, which along with our partnership with parents, will ensure that all children will thrive this year.

#### **Portacabins**



Thanks to Mr. Higgs and Ms. Ellis for their work over the summer holiday organising the new portacabin classrooms in the playground. We have a new music room in which all children will be taught throughout the year and a new Acorn classroom for our Nurture sessions and play opportunities at lunchtime.

#### **School Uniform**

Thanks also to you for sending the children in looking so smart in their school uniforms – I'm very proud to be their Headteacher. Please can I remind you that black shoes are part of the uniform and that trainers may only be worn at playtime.

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

Please bring your child to school promptly for the start of the day at 8.45am. All lessons start at 9.00am and it is very disruptive for the class and upsetting for children when they miss the first part of the lesson. If your child is going to be absent from school. Please contact the school office on 020 8644 5665 to let us know the reason.

## Reading

Please remember that all children should read as much as possible, please write in their reading diary or log as appropriate for their age.



### **Parking**

Please park considerately outside school. Do not park on the zigzag lines outside school as this blocks emergency access and may result in a fine.

#### Mobile Phone Numbers and E-Mail Addresses

If you change your mobile phone number, please let us know. Newsletters and other information will normally be sent to the e-mail address we hold and if we don't have an address, you won't receive the information. Google, Outlook and many others offer free e-mail which can be picked up on your smart phone.

## **Swimming lessons**

Swimming lessons have now started, please make sure that your child has no jewellery or nail varnish on for swimming lessons;. Also please remember that Children are excluded from swimming for 2 weeks after they have had diarrhoea. Please remember, swimming hats must be worn by all children who are swimming; these can be purchased from your child's class or the school office for £1.00

#### Word of the Week

Foundation Stage and Year 1 - Start

Years 2-6 - Inception



# Midday Supervisor Vacancy at Greenshaw High School

Greenshaw High School are looking for a Midday Supervisor to start as soon as possible. Details of this position can be found on their website www.greenshaw.co.uk. the closing date for applications is Friday 22nd September.

### **School Lunches**

Please note that from 5th September, the price of a school lunch has increased to £2.20. If your child does not currently have a school lunch, but you think they might like to, please speak to the office. If you would like to take a look at the menu, it is available to collect from the office or view on our school website in the file download area.

## **Parentpay**



Please make sure that your accounts for Dinners, Late Club and Breakfast Club are in credit.. Many Thanks.

#### Medication



Please can you make sure that your childs Asthma Pumps are back in school.

# **Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 19th September.......2.40pm Year 4 Assembly
Wednesday 20th September.....2.40pm Year 5 Assembly
Thursday 21st September.....2.40pm Year 6 Assembly
Friday 13th October......Individual School Photos
Wednesday 18th October......Harvest Festival
Years 1,2&3 9.30am, Years 4,5,&6 10.30ar

Friday 20th October..... Break up for half term holiday (one week)

Monday 30th October..... Children return to school

Friday 1st December ......Christmas Fair

Wednesday 20th December ......Break up

Future dates are available on our website calendar

**Festival** 

18th October