

Dear Parents/Carers,

Tuesday, 18th October was careers day at Tweeddale! We had an exciting range of speakers from a wide variety of occupations and industries come to inspire and educate in equal measure. This included law, retail, catering, baking, mortgages, HR, graphic design, hairdressing, policing, cybersecurity and optometry! The children really enjoyed it and asked interesting questions of each speaker. Our speakers were very complimentary about the children too, which is pleasing to hear. Perhaps we will make careers day a more regular event in the future! Many thanks to the parents who kindly gave up their time to come and talk to us, as well as the friends and family of staff members who we also persuaded to join in!



Thank you Mr Dix for organising an exciting day.

Lost Property

There is a large amount of lost property in the office area. Please come and have a look for any lost items, as anything unclaimed by the end of the day on Friday 21st October will be thrown in the bin.

House Points

House points Autumn 1
 Air- 8944
 Earth-9404
 Fire-10511
 Water- 10067

Congratulations Fire house. You have all won a mufti day on Friday 4th November 2022,

Exciting News!

We are now an official Music Mark School! Music Mark are a membership organisation who advocate excellent music education for all children and young people. Here at Tweeddale we are proud to have been recognised for our commitment to providing high-quality music education for all our children.



LKS2 News

In year 3, Leopards and Tigers have really been enjoying their skipping sessions in PE with Mr Lacey. It has been brilliant to see the children progress with their skipping and be so excited about it too! One child in Tiger Class even managed to do over 200 skips consecutively!

In year 4, we have been focusing on writing a set of instructions for our own potion, as part of our topic. We spent some time looking at the key features of instructions and had some crazy ideas, from how to turn your sibling into a frog, to becoming invisible! The children loved hearing each other's instructions too.

Miss Endersby & Mr Onyskiw

Dates for your Diary

Fri 21st Oct - Boys Football vs Hackbridge

Fri 21st Oct - Girls Football vs Bandon Hill Meadow Field

Fri 21st Oct - Children break up for half term

Mon 31st Oct - Children return back to school

Tues 1st Nov 2pm - Reception Open Day

Fri 4th Nov - Boys Football vs All Saints

Thurs 10th Nov - Year 3 trip to the Science Museum

Notice to all Reception Parents

Do you think that you may be eligible for free school meals? It's very easy to check if you are eligible and only takes a couple of minutes. Please click on the link below to complete the application. Any questions, please speak to Claire in the office.

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

Sports News

Tweeddale girls football team played in a tournament last Friday, at Brookfield Primary School. Playing against 4 other schools, they won 1 and drew 3, to come second overall and advance to the next round unbeaten! Well done girls! Special mention to Hailey and Johnoya who have been invited to try out for the Sutton Borough team!



Mr Dix

KS1 News (Years 1 & 2)

In preparation for Harvest, Key Stage 1 have been learning Harvest songs and listening to stories then retelling them. Year 1 have been listening to The Enormous Turnip, The Magic Porridge Pot and The Little Red Hen. Some have been writing their own version of the story while others have been learning how to plan and write sentences or words about the stories. They have also been finding out where food comes from.

Year 2 have read the story Pumpkin Soup which they have rewritten in their own words. They have also been planning their own Thank You prayers.

Miss Thirtle

Foundation Stage

Early Years have been very busy recently. Both Nursery and Reception have been visited by the Police. They talked about the role the police play in our society and not just 'putting the bad guys away in jail' as the children all previously thought. They also explained to the children that it is very important that children know to call '999' if they have an emergency and encouraged them to learn their address for this. All the children loved trying on the police's hats and jackets. Reception were also visited by a doctor from St Helier Hospital for our topic 'People Who Help Us.' He explained how doctors helped us and they also got to practise wrapping bandages around arms, checking their blood pressure and listening to their hearts.

This week the children's learning topic has been 'Diwali.' The children have enjoyed making diya lamps out of clay and learning all about this festival which is celebrated by Hindus.

We would also like to welcome back Mrs Royce-Hall who has been off on maternity leave. She will also be teaching in Lion Class.

Miss Digman

UKS2 News (Years 5 and 6)

In Year 6 we have been finishing our book, 'The boy in the striped pyjamas' and will be watching the film this week. In English we have been writing persuasively about the horrors of war. We have been completing our science topic about light, discussing the length and shapes of shadows.

In Year 5 we have been learning about famous figures from the Black civil rights movement: Rosa Parks and Ruby Bridges, as well as creating an art mask in the style of Lois Mailou Jones. We have also been learning about the Amazonian explorer Percy Fawcett and writing a biography about him and the 'Lost City of Z'.

In science we have been investigating changes to materials, using milk and vinegar to make casein plastic and looking at whether changes are reversible or irreversible, while in computing we have been creating games using Scratch.

It might also be good to mention the Chance to Shine cricket coaching which has been taking place throughout this half term thanks to Surrey County Cricket Club and their youth coaches who have been great at getting the kids excited to learn about and play cricket.

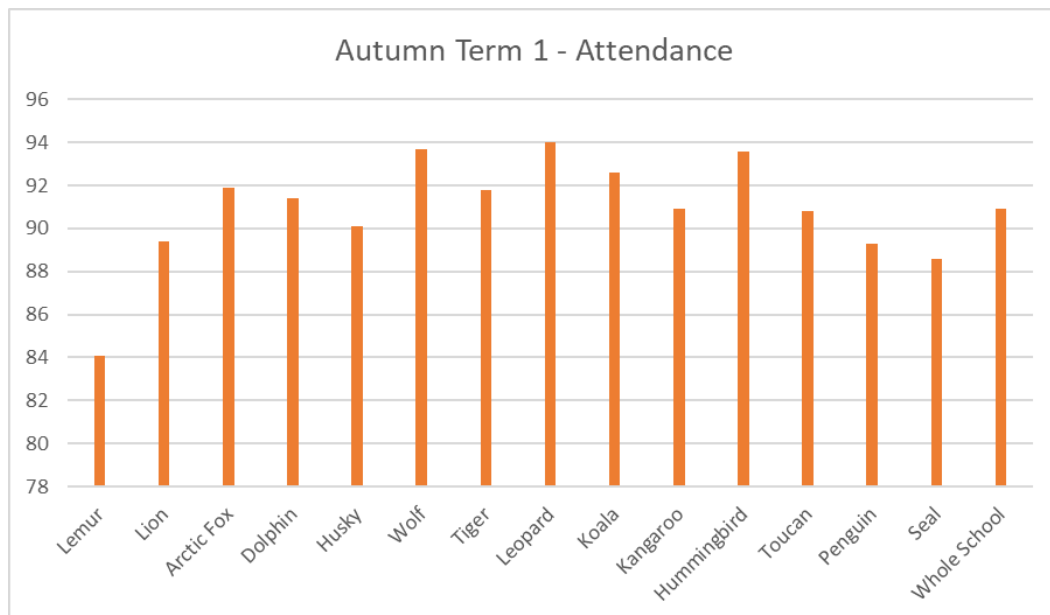
Mr Harknett & Mr Rudd

Headteacher Awards

Well done to the children who worked so hard to achieve their awards.

Finlay Y6—For working hard on long division
Erisa Y6- For great homework about WW2 battlefields
Katie Y6—for her homework about WW2 uniforms
Deshoorika Y6—For her work about men's roles in WW2
Hana Y6—For making a scrapbook about WW2
Kayla Y6—for making a shield for homework
Bonnie Y1—For lovely independent writing
Azwa Y1—For great independent writing
Isabella Y6—For making a model of a plane from WW2
Katie Y6—For making a fantastic "We can do it poster" from WW2

Attendance and Punctuality



It is important for children to attend school regularly and on time. Every week we have an attendance assembly. The EYFS/KS1 class with the highest attendance look after Annie Attendwell, our school bear, for the week. The KS2 class with the highest attendance have the attendance cup.

The target for attendance is 96%. Our whole school attendance this half term has been 90.9%.

Well done Leopard class who have the highest attendance this term. They will be receiving extra play as a reward.

Punctuality.

On Monday 17th October 29 children were late. Lessons start promptly at 8.55 and it is important that children arrive at school in good time to settle and start their learning.

In the week commencing 3rd October, 3408 minutes of learning were lost to lateness that is over 56hrs.

Please ensure your child is at school for the first bell at 08.45.

Harvest Festival

Thank you for your generous donations for the harvest assembly. The whole school celebrated with songs, pictures and poems. The food has been donated to people in our community nominated by parents and also to The Sutton Night Watch for the Homeless.