

24 April 2026

Dear parent/carer,

### SCHOOL UPDATE: FRIDAY 24 APRIL 2026

What a wonderfully sunny week we have had! It has been perfect weather to start our swimming lessons in our heated outdoor pool. The children have loved it and already demonstrated some excellent swimming skills. I have been over to the pool a few times to watch the lessons in action and I have been so impressed to see the respect shown to our swim teacher and the level of skill in the water. I have also loved hearing the joy, laughter and fun the children have been having!



PE continues to be a favourite subject of many pupils and Mr. Lacey, our brilliant sports coach, has been putting the children through their paces in preparation for our Sports Day on Friday 22 May. Please note this date in your diaries! One particularly fun activity this week has been the space hopper course and I have to say some of our pupils are very quick on a space hopper!

On the topic of PE, I have noticed that an increasing number of pupils have been coming into school with branded PE kit. Please can I remind everyone that we do not permit any school uniform with branded logos on them. Please keep the branded clothes for home use. Thank you for your understanding!

We love reading at Tweeddale! This week the staff have received additional training on our new reading curriculum, which is one of our school priorities for this year. We are working hard as a staff team to develop the pupils skills in retrieval of information from a text or in inferring what the author means by a

certain word or phrase. This is something that can also be practiced at home as you read with or to your child. Questions like: 'where in the text does it say....?' or 'what clues do you read from the text about this person's character?'

Next week is another full week of learning before the Bank Holiday weekend. Please remember that the school will be closed on Monday 4 May for the May Day Bank Holiday.

I wish you all a wonderful and sunny weekend.

Best wishes,



Mr. Walters  
Headteacher