

1 May 2026

Dear parent/carer,

SCHOOL UPDATE: FRIDAY 1 MAY 2026

Happy May Day everyone! It's hard to imagine that we have already reached the month of May! We have all been enjoying the sunshine this week and the early summer vibes are already visible around the school. Our new planters are starting to look very colourful!

May Day has traditionally been the time for countries to honour and celebrate all the workers. I would like to take this perfect opportunity to honour all our staff at Tweeddale. They show such dedication and passion every day, always putting the children's best interests first. There are some roles that can sometimes go unnoticed, like our cleaners or midday supervisors. I have been thrilled this week to welcome onto our staff a new Senior Midday Supervisor, Mrs. Young. She has been on a steep learning curve this week, remembering pupil names and coordinating staff positions during our lunchtime. We want to make playtimes enjoyable for children as well as keeping them safe, so we will be reviewing our practices for this in the next few weeks.



The children have been doing some fantastic learning this week. I have been reading Greek Myths in Year 5, seeing superb maths on capacity and measure in Year 2 and enjoying drawings of minibeasts in Reception. As a staff team we have been impressed by all the hard work we have been seeing. Our Friday Celebration Assembly is a wonderfully happy time to celebrate all our 'stars of the week'!

Mr. Lacey has been busy preparing our pupils for Sports Day, which is on Friday 22 May. Please note the date in your diaries. Our swimming pool is unfortunately a little poorly, with a malfunctioning filter system. Our priority is to keep the pupils safe and without totally clean water we have been unable to run swimming lessons yesterday and today. We are so sorry about this! We are urgently seeking a repair so thank you for your understanding.

Please remember that the school will be closed on Monday 4 May for the May Day Bank Holiday.

I wish you all a fantastic long weekend.

Best wishes,



Mr. Walters
Headteacher