



Weekly Newsletter

The Tweeddales



Tweeddale Primary School
Tuesday 11th January 2011

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year to all of you.

Term is off to a good start and Christmas is now a dim memory. Thankfully the weather is milder than it was in December. Let's hope we have no more snow!

All after-school clubs are up & running again. Make sure you know which clubs your child is attending.

WOW— "Walk Once a Week"

Starting tomorrow, we are starting this initiative and would like everybody to take part. Every Wednesday, we would like children who normally travel to school by car to either walk or take the bus. Children who have passed their Stage 2 Cyclecraft may ride their bike. Our aim is to reduce traffic congestion in Tweeddale Road.

Every time your child walks, rides their bike or takes the bus to school on a Wednesday, they will earn a sticker. Once they have 6 stickers, they will get a badge. If they get a sticker every week over a period of 6 weeks, their names will be put into a draw.

Three names from each phase group will be picked out of a hat and those children will win a prize. Staff are also being encouraged to take part and to either walk to school or car-share wherever possible.

SCOLA—Numeracy

Adult Numeracy sessions start **this Wednesday**. If you would like to reserve a place, please phone Mrs McDermott at the school.

Tweeddale Road—new waiting times

There are going to be some changes to the amount of time you can park your car in some sections of Tweeddale Road, primarily outside the Children's Centre. The restrictions are in place so that parents can drop their very young children at our Day Nursery during the co-location project building works. This is necessary because the Children's Centre drive-in entrance has been suspended.

The Borough are displaying copies of the statutory notice in Tweeddale Road. Please make sure that you read it and do not park where you shouldn't.

Unclaimed raffle prize from the Christmas Fayre

Do you have ticket number 00720?

If you do, you are the winner of a Boots aromatherapy set.

To claim the prize, you need to bring the winning ticket into school.

Please note, the INSET day previously planned for Tuesday 26th April will now not take place.

All children will return from the Easter Holidays on this day, not Wednesday 27th April.

Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse

The dates of the parents drop-in sessions for this half term are Thursday 20th January, Thursday 3rd February and Thursday 17th February.

The school nurse will be available in the Round Room from 2pm.

If there is anything you would like to discuss with her, please go to the Round Room at 2pm. There is no need to book.

Co-location project



Work has started again after the Christmas break and the ground is being prepared for the foundations. I'm really looking forward to seeing the walls go up!

Christmas Quiz

Every year schools have the opportunity to take part in an on-line quiz run by Sutton's Management Information Service. This year Tweeddale did brilliantly and we won in almost every category! Louise Weller (Year 6) won the primary pupils' prize, Lisa Taylor (Nursery teacher) and Teresa Lyons (Community Early Years Practitioner) won the staff prizes. Well done to everyone who took part!

Mobile phone numbers

If you've got a new mobile phone number, please remember to tell the office so that they can contact you in case of emergency.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 12th January—3pm Year 2 “meet the teacher”

Thursday 13th January—Cheetah class visit Whitehall in Cheam

Thursday 13th January—3pm Year 1 “meet the teacher”

Friday 14th January—9am Year 3 “meet the teacher”

Monday 17th January—9am Year 4 “meet the teacher”

Tuesday 18th January—9am Year 5 “meet the teacher”

Wednesday 19th January—9am Year 6 “meet the teacher”

Tuesday 25th January—Year 6 visit Imperial War Museum

Wednesday 26th January—Year 6 height & weight screening

Monday 31st January—Reception height & weight screening

Thursday 17th February—Break up for half-term

Friday 18th February—INSET Day—**School & Children's Centre closed**

w/c 21st February—Half-term

Monday 28th February—Children return to school

Children's Centre Information

Are you considering returning to work? Interested in getting onto a training course? Looking for a job? We can help! Our **Into Recruitment Officer** and **Job Centre Plus Linked Advisor** are here to support you. Please contact Tweeddale Children's Centre on 020 8404 1640 or pop in to see us for further information.

Mini Movers at Tweeddale Primary School—your child can enjoy singing, movement, actions and props to help bring music to life. From classical to pop, your child can learn songs and rhymes in a fun and rewarding way. This is specifically targeted at the under 5's.