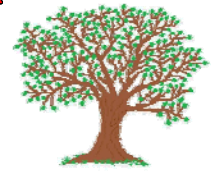




Weekly Newsletter The Tweeddales

Tweeddale Primary School
Wednesday 13th February 2013



Dear Parents and Carers

Wearing Our Uniform with Pride - In Monday's assembly this week, we looked again at our school uniform and why our uniform is so important to us. The children were very clear about the vital role our uniform plays and many children are consistently smart, tidy and proud to wear our colours of red, grey and black. We agreed that our uniform:

- Ensures we are identified as Tweeddale Primary School
- Gives us our identity
- Stops children competing to wear the latest fashions and trends
- Keeps us safe on school trips

Please can you make sure your child is wearing the correct uniform, including black school shoes, not trainers. Trainers are to be worn during PE and in the playground ONLY.

Welcome to Mrs Goodrich - We welcome Mrs Goodrich to our Senior Leadership Team. Mrs Goodrich has been working at our school for 3 days a week this term and will continue for the remainder of the year. I thank her for the work she has already done for us and I hope she will enjoy working alongside staff, parents and children.

Congratulations Panda class - Last Thursday, Panda class delighted us with an assembly based on the Victorians. The hall was transformed into a Victorian classroom and the children shared their learning about life in Victorian times including music and William Morris art. Miss Pincho and support staff are to be congratulated on the children's confident, clear performance and their obvious enjoyment in sharing their learning.

Road Safety outside our school - You will have noticed the new, improved safety signs in Tweeddale Road. The driving speed has been reduced to 20 MPH and the yellow lines are now on both sides of the road. The zig-zag lines have been re-painted and this clearly shows no parking zone outside school. This includes stopping to let children out of cars. **Please park away from the zig-zag lines and do not stop at the speed hump. This is extremely dangerous as it restricts drivers ability to see oncoming cars and children are not seen getting out into the road from cars.**

Headteacher's Awards - I am thrilled to say that more and more children are showing me work they have been doing at home as a result of their interest in topics introduced in the classroom. This is a real improvement in children's thirst for learning and is an indication of parents and carers support for children's interests at school. These children are always awarded for their enthusiasm and commitment to their own learning.

INSET Day Friday 15th February - On Friday this week, the staff will be looking at our Vision for the school and evaluating our progress in our School Development Plan. We will be sharing our ideas and asking you for your thoughts in a Parents and Carers questionnaire after half-term.

Comic Relief - You will have seen publicity on television about Comic Relief day on March 15th this year. We will be contributing again at school and there will be news about how you can join in the fun in the first newsletter after half-term.

And finally.... I hope everyone has a good half-term. This is an opportunity to enjoy quality family and friends time and to re-charge the batteries. I hope everyone keeps safe and I look forward to an equally successful and fulfilling second half of spring term.

Class Attendance - w/c 4 February 2013

98.7% Panda Class
98.6% Monkey Class
97.6% Cheetah Class
97.6% Badger Class
97.3% Hedgehog Class



97.0% Polar Bear Class
96.3% Wombat Class
96.2% Puffin Class
95.7% Kestrel Class
95.0% Turtle Class



94.6% Jaguar Class
92.3% Ladybird Class
91.7% Butterfly Class
91.0% Eagle Class

Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse

Once a fortnight, the school nurse holds a drop-in session for parents/carers in the Round Room. If there is anything you would like to discuss with her, please go along to the Round Room after 2pm. There is no need to book. The remaining dates for this term are Tuesday 5th March and Tuesday 19th March.

Headteacher Awards

The following children have received Headteacher Awards during the last few weeks:

Jack Wood	Hannah Angchangco	Kiyonush Irani	Quiana Leyland-McKenzie	Izzy Christofa
Liam Britton	Karar Al-Atia	Alyssia Arthurs	Holly Newton	Mia Andrews
Ryan Cottage				

Well done to you all



Dates for your diary

Thursday 14th FebruarySponsored Read
Children break up at normal time for half term (1 week)
Friday 15th FebruaryINSET day - School and Children's Centre closed
w/c 18th FebruaryHalf term
Monday 25th February**Children return to school at normal time**
Tuesday 26th February.....Year 2 trip to Windsor Castle
Thursday 28th February9:00am Jaguar class assembly to parents/carers

Term Dates 2012-2013

These are the London Borough of Sutton term dates for the remainder of the 2012-2013 academic year along with the Tweeddale INSET days:


Friday 15th February 2013	- INSET Day	Tuesday 16th April 2013	- Children return to school
w/c 18th February 2013	- Half Term (1 week)	w/c 27th May 2013	- Half term (1 week)
Thursday 28th March 2013	- Last day of term	Friday 28th June 2013	- INSET Day
Monday 15th April 2013	- INSET Day	Wednesday 24th July 2013	- Last day of term

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to last year's Poppy Appeal. We have just heard from The British Legion that we raised £113.36.



Children's Centre Information

A full timetable of our activities can be found in the file downloads area on the Tweeddale website www.tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk. You can also follow us on  www.twitter.com/TweeddaleCC

Contact the Centre on 020 8404 1640 or email tweeddalechildrenscentre@suttonlea.org



Family Fun Activity Group

On Saturday 16th February 9.30-11.30am

For Dads, Mums, Step Parents, Grandparents and carers with their children who are under 5. The group is aimed at children under 5 years old but our doors are open to your child's siblings up to the age of 11 years old. We have fun indoor and outdoor activities, with no need to book, just drop in and join in the fun!

