

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have arrived at the end of another busy year at Tweeddale. Thankfully Covid hasn't impacted this year as it did the previous two years.

I am pleased to say that we will not be saying good bye to any staff this year.

Miss Docksey will be returning in September as Mrs Iraola. We wish her a very happy and special wedding day.

We welcome Ms Muschett, who will be joining us in Year 5 in September.

Year 6 will all be moving on to their high schools in September, we wish them all every success and I am sure that many will return to visit or for work experience in Year 10.

I would like to wish you all a wonderful summer break.

Terrie Jerrom

Hot Weather Alert

We have been warned that temperatures are likely to be the highest ever recorded in London early next week. We are unsure how our school building will cope with such high temperatures.

Please can you send your child(ren) to school with water bottles and hats.

They may wear their PE kits for the rest of term.

Please apply sunscreen before school.

Children will have limited access to the playground during lunchtime.

On Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July, we are giving you the option to collect your child(ren) from school from 1.30pm. Please come to the school office.

Lunch

As of September, the cost of a school meal will be £2.40. If you think you may be eligible for free school meals, then please visit the following website:

<https://www.sutton.gov.uk/-/free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium>

Breakfast & Late Club

Unfortunately we are having to increase the price of both breakfast & late club in September to £4 per session.

Medication

Please make sure you collect your child's medication from the office by Tuesday afternoon.

LKS2 News

In year 4, the children have been learning about the layers of the ocean. They have learnt about the different animals and plants that live in each section.

Did you know the ocean is home to nearly 95% of the world's wildlife? Thanks to the year 4 children, we now have a wonderful piece of artwork on the year 4 corridor which all the children contributed to with different pictures of different ocean creatures. Well done year 4!



Miss Docksey

Headteacher Awards

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

Bleu Y6—For being a brilliant compere at the talent show.

Daniel Y3—For writing a great explanation text.

Jhavier Y5—For fantastic effort in writing .

Ammaar YR—For wonderful independent writing.

Freya—Rose Y3—for getting 40/40 in her maths test and 10/10 in her spelling test.

Aaliyah Y3—For writing a fantastic explanation text.



Dates for your Diary

July

Mon 18th July—Class swap day

Tues 19th July—Class Parties

Wed 20th July— Break up for Summer Holidays at 2pm

Sports News

On Monday 11th July, children in Key Stage 2 took part in a taster day provided by Surrey County Cricket Club. Joshua Blake, their Community Cricket Coach went through the fundamentals of cricket with the children and they practised batting, running between the wickets and fielding. There are definitely some promising young cricketers at Tweeddale, with some great catches taken and excellent striking of the ball. More importantly, the children had lots of fun and showed great teamwork in the field. This was a brilliant complement to our after-school cricket club and hopefully we will be able to continue our association with Surrey County Cricket Club in the coming years.

We also held our Sports Days last week, with the children from Years 1 - 3 taking part on 6th July and our Early Years and Years 4 - 6 the following day at the David Weir Sports Centre. We were pleased to have so many parents attending to watch the action with a full programme as we returned to normality after the disruption of the past few years. The children took part in a variety of fun activities including beanbag throwing, obstacle courses, basketball and football dribbling and more! It was a delight to see the children taking part so enthusiastically, showing off their skills and making their teachers and parents proud with their excellent behaviour and can-do attitude. Many thanks to all who helped with organising and running the Sports Day, notably our PE lead Miss McLean, and to parents for coming to give their warm support.

Mr Rudd

KS1 News (Years 1 & 2)

Year 1 have been learning about their senses and exploring them in action. For sight they have been fascinated by optical illusions, comparing notes on what they can see; it was great to see the surprise on some of their faces. They even made their own optical illusion spinners. For hearing they listened to and identified sounds then got to use the whirly sound tubes, having a competition to see who could make the loudest sound. For taste they had the challenge of guessing the flavour of the different crisps and for smell they guessed the different scents in jars. When it came to touch many were surprised that it is not only their hands that can feel but all of their skin. Great fun was had by all testing their senses out.

Year 2 have enjoyed making flapjacks. They have talked about the importance of food hygiene, explored weighing out the ingredients and worked as a team to create the perfect flapjack. They all agreed that the best part was eating their creations!

Miss Thirtle

Foundation Stage

This week, Reception's topic is Rock Pools and they have been talking about the habitats of fish and other sea creatures. They have been doing observation drawings of the different creatures found in the sea and lots of discussions about the book of the week *Tiddler - The Story* - telling fish by their favourite author Julia Donaldson. Children have also been talking about what they most enjoyed about Reception, they have reminisced about the different topics and activities that they have done over the year and looked at pictures to remember.

The children in Reception had a great time during their circus skilled workshop last week. They spent the morning practising all different skills you watch when you visit the circus. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves as they learnt to spin plates, using the diablos, learning to juggle, walking on stilts and learning different ways they could hula hoop. The children had so much fun showing off their new skills to their teachers and their peers. The Reception children spent the rest of the day in the playground showing Nursery children what they learnt. Thank you to all the adults who paid, if you haven't paid, please do!

Miss Digman



UKS2 News (Years 5 and 6)

This week, Year 6 were on their residential trip at the Gordon Brown Activity Centre, Hook. Everyone in the group experienced a 'first' of some sort: first time camping, first time away from home for so long, first time seeing a deer in the wild even! The children challenged themselves in various activities such as archery, low ropes, orienteering and more, while also being in charge of feeding the centre's rabbits all week. Just as importantly, they supported each other in the occasional but inevitable moment of homesickness, to ensure a memorable and valuable life experience was had. In contrast to last year, the only shelter needed from the weather was from the sun! All children were reminded regularly to apply sun cream of course. All the children got stuck in with everything, but a special mention to Tia and Dylan for their amazing moves at the disco on the last night! All the children probably now need a good scrub and an even better night's sleep! Well done to all of you!

Mr Dix