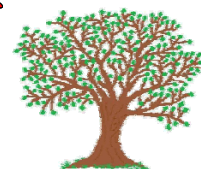




Weekly Newsletter The Tweeddales



Tweeddale Primary School
Wednesday 16th May 2012

Dear Parents and Carers

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee

As you know, we have a national celebration to look forward to during the next month. The whole country will be celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and we will be creating our own special days at The Tweeddales. There will be a 2 day event on Thursday 31st May and Friday 1st June, to make sure we make the most of congratulating the Queen on her amazing achievement of 60 years on the throne.



The children will have an extended assembly on Friday this week, to give them more information about the role of the Queen and what she has achieved over the years. You may like to talk about this celebration at home and share your memories of historical events that took place before your children were born. Any photos of the Queen's Coronation or memorabilia that you can share with us will be an added interest to the day.

Thursday 31st May - To get into the spirit on Thursday 31st May, we are asking all the children and staff to dress up in red, white and blue clothes, which is also a Mufti Day. The Mufti Day is for the PTFA, to bring in bric-a-brac for the Summer Fair stalls. There will be a special picnic in the school grounds, where the children can enjoy a special packed lunch, provided by Sutton Catering (see letter sent home last week), with a Jubilee theme. We hope that the whole Tweeddale site will join in the fun!!!!

Friday 1st June - On Friday 1st June, we ask all the children and staff to dress up as a member of the Royal Family and to be able to talk about their costume in their classes. The whole day's learning is devoted to the Jubilee with topics, games and fun. The school will be giving each child a souvenir to remember this special day and at 3.00pm, we will parade around the playground for all parents to come and enjoy. Please feel free to dress up too!

I hope everyone enjoys the 2 days and that the weather is kind to us. If it rains, we will simply take the picnic inside.

Attendance reaches new heights! Last week, our school attendance was the best ever! We reached 96%!!! This is an amazing achievement and I congratulate everyone. We have had some illness that has made an impact but we are now coming back stronger than ever! There have been some changes to the best class attendance and I congratulate Puffin class for achieving 99.6% with no late marks.

Road Safety outside school - Outside our school, there are yellow zig-zag marks and double yellow lines to identify the stretch of road to be kept clear. This makes sure that there is a safe crossing onto the pavement outside school and that motorists can see parents, carers and their children crossing the road. It is extremely dangerous, if not reckless, to stop in the road and allow your child to get out of the car into the road, or to park your car on the zig-zag lines and restrict people's ability to see adults and children crossing.

PLEASE PARK YOUR CAR FURTHER AWAY FROM SCHOOL AND KEEP THE ROAD OUTSIDE SCHOOL CLEAR.

And Finally - Tweeddale's Courteous Community - We have been working hard this year on modelling good behaviour, being courteous and addressing adults with respect. May I say that the children are delightful. They greet me in the morning with a cheery hallo and ask me how my day is going. They smile and show just how polite and respectful they can be. They are a credit to you, their parents and carers and I enjoy the children's confidence to stop me and talk to me on my way around the school.

Best wishes Geraldine Wood, Headteacher

Class Attendance - w/c 7 May 2012

99.6% Puffin Class
99.6% Butterfly Class
98.6% Hedgehog Class
98.5% Kestrel Class
98.3% Cheetah Class



97.1% Ladybird Class
96.7% Panda Class
96.7% Jaguar Class
96.6% Monkey Class
95.8% Turtle Class



95.5% Eagle Class
95.5% Polar Bear Class
91.3% Badger Class
88.8% Wombat 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.

There is one more session this half term which will take place on Tuesday 29th May.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

If you still have any of these vouchers at home, could you please bring them in to school over the next couple of days. It would be a shame not to use them to get some equipment for the children!



Dates for your diary

- w/c 14th May Year 6 SATs
- Friday 18th May Year 1 visit St Peter's Church
- Monday 21st May Class Photos
- Thursday 24th May 10:30am Polar Bear class assembly **NEW DATE**
- Thursday 31st May &
Friday 1st June Diamond Jubilee celebrations
- Friday 1st June Break up for half term at normal time
- Monday 11th June Return to school at normal time
- Friday 29th June INSET Day - School and Children's Centre closed**
- Saturday 30th June Tweeddale Summer Fair
- Friday 20th July Break up for Summer holidays

class photos



21st May




31st May &
Friday 1st June

Term Dates 2012-2013

These are the London Borough of Sutton term dates for 2012-2013. **Please note there are still 5 INSET days to be scheduled.** The dates of these will be advised at the end of June 2012.

Tuesday 4th September 2012	- Start of Autumn Term	Thursday 28th March 2013	- Last day of term
w/c 29th October 2012	- Half term (1 week)	Monday 15th April 2013	- Start of Summer Term
Friday 21st December 2012	- Last day of term	w/c 27th May 2013	- Half term (1 week)
Monday 7th January 2013	- Start of Spring Term	Wednesday 24th July 2013	- Last day of term
w/c 18th February 2013	- Half Term (1 week)		

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

Baby Stay and Play

is a fun stay and play group for children under 18 months old, where you can meet other mums, dads and carers and use our new baby toys and resources.

**Friday's 1:30-2:30pm
at The Circle Library**