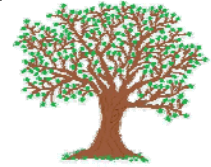




Weekly Newsletter

The Tweeddales

Tweeddale Primary School
Tuesday 17th July 2012



Dear Parents/Carers

Well here we are at the end of 2011-2012 at The Tweeddales. This has been a fantastic year for everyone at Tweeddale Primary and Tweeddale Children's Centre, including The Tweeddale Centre. I have really enjoyed my first year, getting to know the children, the staff, the governors and you, the parents and carers.

Attendance and Punctuality - As you know, we have been working hard to raise the level of attendance and punctuality for all our children this year. All our analysis has proved over and over again that children who come to school regularly and on time, make the most progress in their learning. We are hovering very close to our target of 94% and on Friday, in assembly this week, we will know if we have reached our target and which class will win the Tweeddale Primary Shield for 2012. This will be awarded, along with prizes and certificates for all children that have really improved their attendance. I thank all parents and carers who have ensured that their children have been given the most learning opportunities this year. Next year, the target will be higher.

Don't forget that the new Attendance Policy starts in September and holidays will not be authorised.

Open Evening - Last week, we had our first Open Evening for all parents and carers to come and celebrate their children's work and to look at our Olympic Display in the bottom corridor. This event will be an annual, summer term opportunity to see the progress your children have made across the year and to spend quality time with your child, discussing their work. It was wonderful to see parents and children together and parents commented on the relaxed, comfortable atmosphere in classrooms and around school.

If you didn't make it to Open Evening this term, look out for it again next summer. Don't miss an opportunity to show your child how interested and proud you are of their achievements.

Saying goodbye to staff - At the end of this term, we say goodbye to Miss Reado and Miss Grant, two of our Teaching Assistants. I would like to thank them both for all their hard work and commitment to helping and supporting children this year. Our Teaching Assistants are a vital team in ensuring that children have pastoral and learning support and I am sure that Miss Reado and Miss Grant will be successful in their future endeavours. I wish them well.

Thank you staff - I would like to thank all the staff who have been amazing this year. They are a truly committed team who work tirelessly for all our children and are so generous with their time. They are the backbone of the Tweeddales community and I salute them all.

Goodbye and good luck to year 6 - We also say goodbye to year 6. The children have been a great asset to our school, working and playing hard and achieving very high standards in their end of year SATs results. Their reports have documented all their great achievements and they should be very proud of their progress this year. I wish every child in year 6 the very best of luck and success in their new schools and I look forward to seeing them next term and hearing about new challenges and new experiences. Congratulations to all year 6 2012.

And finally.....

Thank you to everyone at Tweeddale for making my first year so memorable. It has been full of new experiences and delights and who could forget being gunged at the Summer Fete? I look forward to next year with great excitement. Have a wonderful holiday everyone! Keep safe and keep well.

Best wishes

Geraldine Wood, Headteacher

REMINDERS:

School closes at 2pm on Friday 20th July
Children return to school on Thursday 6th September

Some photos of Year 2 enjoying the kiddi karts last week...



Class Attendance - w/c 9th July 2012

98.2% Eagle Class	96.5% Hedgehog Class	93.9% Puffin Class	92.0% Ladybird Class
97.9% Wombat Class	95.7% Monkey Class	93.2% Jaguar Class	90.8% Kestrel Class
97.1% Polar Bear Class	95.0% Panda Class	92.6% Cheetah Class	
96.6% Turtle Class	94.3% Badger Class	92.0% Butterfly Class	



Dates for your diary

Friday 20th July10:00 Year 6 Leavers' assembly
Break up for Summer holidays at 2pm

Autumn Term 2012

Tuesday 4th SeptemberINSET Day
 Wednesday 5th SeptemberINSET Day
 Thursday 6th SeptemberChildren return to school at normal time

Term Dates 2012-2013

These are the London Borough of Sutton term dates for 2012-2013 along with the Tweeddale INSET days.

Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th September 2012	- INSET Days	Thursday 28th March 2013	- Last day of term
Thursday 6th September 2012	- Children return to school	Monday 15th April 2013	- INSET Day
w/c 29th October 2012	- Half term (1 week)	Tuesday 16th April 2013	- Children return to school
Friday 21st December 2012	- Last day of term	w/c 27th May 2013	- Half term (1 week)
Monday 7th January 2013	- Children return to school	Friday 28th June 2013	- INSET Day
Friday 15th February 2013	- INSET Day	Wednesday 24th July 2013	- Last day of term
w/c 18th February 2013	- Half Term (1 week)		

Come and enjoy

Sutton Playday

Wednesday 1st August 2012

11am-4pm

at Sutton Arena, Middleton Road, Carshalton

Free Fun and Games for all 0-19 year olds



There is something for everyone - Sutton's Got Talent (don't forget your props & music), Drumming, Bouncy Castle, Tumble Time, Crazy Golf, Gymnastics, Sensory Room, Play World, Rugby, Spider Mountain, Football, Face Painting and much much more...

Food Lovers Delight will be available on the day selling jacket potatoes, baguettes, burgers, chips, crepes, candy floss, hot and cold drinks.

There will also be plenty of open space for those that would like to bring a picnic!

For further information please contact:

Sutton Family Information Service on 020 8770 6000
www.suttonfamilyinfo.org.uk or www.playday.org.uk