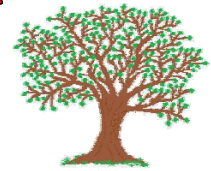




# Weekly Newsletter The Tweeddales



**Tweeddale Primary School**  
**Tuesday 28th February 2012**

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all enjoyed your time with your children during half-term. The weather was kind to us after a cold first weekend and it was great to see the sun again!

### **Wearing The Tweeddale school uniform**

Since we returned after half-term, Mrs Roadnight and I have been concentrating on the children's uniform. We have been talking to the children in assembly and reminding them about why we wear a school uniform and about wearing it with pride. We looked at the uniform again this week and reminded ourselves about what is school uniform and how to wear it looking smart and tidy. The children were able to list our uniform and we looked at children wearing the uniform correctly. Please also remember to write your child's name in their uniform. If you would like to order some printed name labels, see overleaf for details of a company you can use.

May I remind parents and carers that the children should wear black or dark shoes to school and keep their trainers for PE and games. Socks should be white, grey or black and girls may wear grey tights. I will be congratulating children on wearing their uniform with pride and reminding children to wear the correct uniform at all times. There is information about uniform in the Reception Area and on our school website. **Please help your child to be dressed correctly and smartly before they leave home in the mornings.** Our children know they are ambassadors for our school.

### **Tweeddale Play Centre**

Our Play Centre is looking really inviting in the Tweeddale Centre. The Open Space is a beautiful play space and the children are looking forward to using the Soft Play and Sensory Room which are almost complete. The Play Centre has an Art and Craft room, computers and opportunities for creative and imaginative play. The Play Centre is for children aged 4-12 years and open to everyone. Parents can book children into after-school club or to a holiday scheme by calling 020 8404 1640. Please ask at the school office for a leaflet for times and process.

**The Breakfast Club has now moved to the Play Centre and this runs from 7.45-8.45am. The children have a healthy breakfast and enjoy playing with all the Play Centre facilities before the school day starts. Please ask at the school office for more details.**

### **Attendance better than ever!!**

What a fantastic achievement!!! 10 classes achieved above our school target of 94% and the top 3 classes achieved a brilliant 99%. Pandas were third with 99.2% and 2 late marks, Hedgehogs were second with 99.2% and no late marks and Kestrels came first with 99.5%! This is a fabulous achievement when the school is going through the worst term for illness. I am absolutely thrilled with parents and carers' commitment to your children's education. Congratulations to you all.



There has also been an improvement in children's punctuality. In September 2011 there could be as many as 30 children late in a day. On Monday this week, the number had dropped to 8. This is still 8 children too many, but a great improvement.

### **Headteacher's Award**

I congratulate our children for a wide range of achievement over the last 3 weeks. They have been very patient to wait for their Headteacher awards and I am impressed with their progress and dedication to their learning.

Best wishes - Geraldine Wood, Headteacher

### **Class Attendance - w/c 20 February 2012**

99.5%	Kestrel Class		97.0%	Turtle Class		93.3%	Badger Class
99.2%	Hedgehog Class		97.0%	Polar Bear Class		91.5%	Cheetah Class
99.2%	Panda Class		94.8%	Ladybird Class		90.5%	Puffin Class
98.7%	Monkey Class		94.6%	Butterfly Class		88.5%	Eagle Class
98.4%	Jaguar Class		94.2%	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.

The next sessions will take place on Tuesday 6th and Tuesday 20th March.

### Uniform Name Tags

If you would like to help raise some money for the school and want to order printed name tags, you can use the website [www.mynametags.com](http://www.mynametags.com). You will need to quote the school ID number, which is **28507**. For every order placed, the school will receive £1.



### Dates for your diary


Wednesday 29th February .....6pm Year 6 SATs - talk for parents/carers  
Thursday 1st March.....Polar Bear class - Mosque trip  
Friday 2nd March .....Year 1 - Transport Museum  
Tuesday 6th March.....2:50-3:10pm Year 2 assembly  
Wednesday 7th March .....Wombat class - Mosque trip  
w/c 12th March .....Scholastic Book Fair in the school hall every day after school  
Tuesday 13th March.....2:50-3:10pm Hedgehog Class assembly  
Thursday 15th March .....**School closes at 2pm** - individual parent/teacher meetings (2:15pm-5:00pm)  
Monday 19th March.....**School closes at 2pm** - individual parent/teacher meetings (2:15pm-7:00pm)  
Tuesday 27th March.....2:50-3:10pm Monkey Class assembly  
**Friday 30th March.....Break up at 2pm for Easter holidays**  
**Monday 16th April .....Children return to school**

### Term Dates 2012

#### **Summer Term 2012**

Monday 16th April	Return to school	Monday 11th June	Return to school
Friday 1st June	Break up for half term	Friday 29th June	INSET Day
w/c 4th June	Half term	Friday 20th July	Break up for summer

### 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](http://www.tweeddaleprimary.sutton.sch.uk). You can also follow us on [www.twitter.com/TweeddaleCC](https://twitter.com/TweeddaleCC) 

#### **Story time at The Circle Library**

Come along and enjoy half an hour of story telling in the comfortable surroundings of the children's section of the library.

**Tuesday's 1:30-2:00pm**