



Weekly Newsletter The Tweeddales



Tweeddale Primary School
Wednesday 5th December 2012

Dear Parents and Carers

Ofsted Inspection at The Children's Centre

Last week you will remember that I wrote about our Ofsted inspection on 20th and 21st November. Our Ofsted Grades have now been ratified by Ofsted and we are now a 'Good' with 'Outstanding' elements Children's Centre. This is an amazing achievement as we have only been open again as a fully functioning centre for a year! I congratulate Emma Sayer, Children's Centre Manager, and all her team on a fantastic achievement! This is due to real commitment and very hard work. The Ofsted report is available from the Ofsted website, the Children's Centre and will shortly be available from our website. My thanks again to everyone who helped in the inspection.

How do our children earn House Points?

As you know, we now have 4 houses at Tweeddale. They are Mo Farah - Blue, Sir Chris Hoy - Green, Victoria Pendleton - Yellow and David Weir - Red. The children earn house points for many aspects of their school life.

This can be for:

- * Good Behaviour
- * Good Work
- * Being helpful in their class and around the school
- * Working hard and showing improvement
- * Completing homework to a high standard
- * Helping another child in any way
- * Taking on a role of responsibility in school
- * Politeness, kindness

I am sure parents and carers will help children achieve House Points in many ways and develop a whole Tweeddale community feel to our new Houses. We are currently recruiting House Captains to develop leadership skills amongst our year 6 children. More news next week.

Christmas Fayre Friday 7th December



I am looking forward to seeing everyone this week at our Christmas Fayre and I would like to thank all the staff and parents who have worked so hard this week to ensure we have a truly traditional Christmas Fayre.





Headteacher Awards

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

Eleonor Guerrero	Jiaying Lin	Aleisha Quiros	Kai Scotland	Keano Guerrero
CJ Fry	Patryk Rudnicki	Delosh Thavapraba	Azzaam Suhail	Maximo Sebajeevan
Neha Islam	Riley Steed	Pirashana Pirabagaran	Hannah Angchangco	Jessica Gilmour
Sonique Mullings	Harriet Stockton	Billy Huntingford	Scott Cooper	Jiaen Lin
Riley Steed				

Well done to you all

Class Attendance - w/c 26 November 2012

98.7% Polar Bear Class		91.8% Kestrel Class		80.0% Wombat Class
98.3% Monkey Class		91.3% Badger Class		79.7% Ladybird Class
97.5% Cheetah Class		91.0% Eagle Class		78.0% Butterfly Class
96.2% Jaguar Class		90.0% Panda Class		76.6% Turtle Class
96.0% Hedgehog Class		88.7% Puffin 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 last drop-in session for this term is on Tuesday 18 December.



Thank you...

We would like to thank Woodcote Green Garden Centre & Nurseries in Wallington for their very kind donation of the lovely Christmas tree in the school hall.

A BIG thank you to local businesses from Year 5

In year 5 this half term they have been learning all about how to live a healthy life, with a focus on healthy eating. The children learnt about fruit and vegetables from around the world and had a great time visiting the local Greengrocers at The Circle to actually see all of the exotic fruit and vegetables. They then wrote a recount of their trip.

Tesco's very kindly sent us vouchers so we could go and buy some exotic fruit, draw and paint them, then the fun part; we got to eat them! The vouchers also helped us to buy a range of bread so we had the opportunity to investigate and evaluate different types of bread, again, the best part was trying it for ourselves.



Dates for your diary

- Friday 7th December 3:30pm School Christmas Fair
- Tuesday 11th December..... Nursery trip to Charles Cryer Theatre to see "All I want for Christmas"
- Wednesday 12th December 2:00pm Upper Phase "Mr Humbug sees the light" performance - school hall
6:30pm Upper Phase "Mr Humbug sees the light" performance - school hall
- Friday 14th December 2:00pm Nursery, Reception & Children's Centre Christingle at St Peter's Church
- Monday 17th December..... 6:30pm Middle Phase Carol Service at St Peter's Church
- Wednesday 19th December Whole School Christmas Dinner
- Friday 21st December..... 2:00pm Break up for Christmas
- Monday 7th January Children return to school at normal time




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

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 15th December 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!

