

Weekly Newsletter



Tweeddale Primary School
Thursday 8th September 2011

The Tweeddales



Dear Parents and Carers

This is my first entry in our weekly Newsletter as Headteacher of Tweeddale Primary School, Children's Centre and Play Centre. I am absolutely delighted to have the opportunity to lead such a unique provision for children and families and consider it a privilege to be a part of The Tweeddales at a very exciting time. The staff, governors and children have made me very welcome and our INSET day on Monday gave us time to reflect on the children's achievements in 2010-2011 and to identify The Tweeddales next steps in continuing to raise the children's levels of attainment in Maths and English. This is starting with the Children's Centre and on through the school with the Play Centre supporting learning through play.

I aim to meet as many parents as possible both before and after school and please do let me or the office know if you would like to discuss anything, or just like to say hello. The teachers will be holding 'Meet the Teacher' meetings during next week and I will be attending each session. These meetings are an ideal opportunity to find out about your child's learning this year and how you can support and extend learning at home.

I know that the staff have worked hard to create excellent learning environments in all the classrooms for all our children and I am sure you will agree that they have created an excellent standard of work ethic for even greater achievements this year. The children have settled beautifully this term and I have been impressed by their confidence and enthusiasm for a new year at school.

I look forward to getting to know the Tweeddale Community and enjoying rewarding and fulfilling partnerships with all Parents and Carers.

Best wishes

Geraldine Wood

"Meet the Teacher" Meetings

These are taking place next week. Please check the date and time for your child's year group in the diary section on the back of this newsletter. Separate letters with more details are also being sent home.

From the office

After School Clubs

These will start during w/c Monday 19th September. More details on what clubs are available will be sent home soon.

Lost Property

A reminder that lost property is only kept for 3 weeks and then disposed of. It is really important that you name your child's property, so that it can be returned to them.

Mobile Phone Numbers

If you have changed your mobile phone number during the summer holidays, please make sure you give your new number to the office.

School Dinners

If your child has school dinners, please make sure that your Parent-Pay account is always in credit.

School Shop

Unfortunately we have had to slightly increase (by 25p/30p) the price of 3 of our uniform items. Sweatshirts are now £9.75, fleece jackets £11.75 and school bags £4.

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.

Dates for this half-term are Tuesday 13th, & Tuesday 27th September and Tuesday 11th October



Dates for your diary

Friday 9th September 9:00 Transfer to High School meeting for parents/carers of Year 6 children*

Monday 12th September 9:00 Parents/carers of Year 1 children to meet class teachers

2:30 Parents/carers of Year 4 children to meet class teachers

Tuesday 13th September 9:00 Parents/carers of Year 2 children to meet class teachers

2:30 Parents/carers of Year 5 children to meet class teachers

Wednesday 14th September 9:00 Parents/carers of Year 3 children to meet class teachers

2:30 Parents/carers of Year 6 children to meet class teachers

Sunday 18th - Wednesday

21st September Kingswood Activity Centre - Year 6

Friday 21st October School breaks up at normal time for half term

w/c Monday 24th October Half term

Monday 31st October INSET Day (School, Children's Centre & Play Centre closed)

Tuesday 1st November Children return to school at normal time

** only if you didn't attend the meeting in July*

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



Family Fun Activity Group

This is a stay and play activity group for Dads, Mums, Grandparents, Step Families and carers with their children who are under 5. The group is aimed at under 5 year olds but our doors are open to your child's siblings up to the age of 11 years old. We have fun activities such as messy play, music and movement and outdoor play equipment to name just a few!

No need to book, just drop in and join in the fun!

The group runs one Saturday a month from 9:30am until 11:30am and is happening on Saturday 17th September and Saturday 22nd October

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