





Nurture Togetherness Resilience Creativity

#### **15th December Autumn Term 2023**

Diary Dates (newly added dates in red)

15th December—Last Day of Term

3rd January—First Day of Term

8th January—Swimming starts for KS2

20th&21st Feb—Parents Evening

7th March—World book day (dress up as character or pyjamas)

22nd March—Easter service 2.30pm

25th-27th—Oakwood Bowles trip

INSET DAYS 2024 2nd January, 22nd July, 23rd July

#### A message from Mrs Davy

This really is the most wonderful time of the year and Twineham traditions have made it a truly special and memorable experience.

Our Christmas present to the children was a superb performance of "King Arthur" by The Hobgoblin theatre company—many a cheesy joke made our eyes stream with laughter!

Our Christmas present to you has been two fantastic performances; EY and KS1 joined together to sing some festive songs accompanied by instruments and KS2's outstanding performance which I have been told by a parent is perhaps the best so far! We raised £52.11 for the food bank!

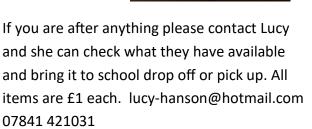
Thank you all the parents/ carers who joined us for a tradition Christingle service at St Peter's church—the children sang beautifully and were knowledgeable about the meaning of the Christingle.

My thanks goes to all the hardworking and dedicated staff at Twineham who put the children at the centre of all they do.

On behalf of the Staff, Governors and children at Team Twineham , we wish you a very Merry Christmas!



# FOTS—Second hand uniform





#### Contact details

Unless you let us know otherwise we will assume all emergency contact details are up to date. If you've changed any details and want to check your child's record ask Jess in the office.

#### **Parent Governor Elections**

Richard Copper (Parent of Toby and Jasper) has been voted in as our new Parent Governor. We are delighted to welcome Rich on board who has already been a huge help to me clearing broken resources from the Twineham site.

Some of Richard's reasons for applying on his application were:

Ever since moving to Twineham, I have been determined to make a positive contribution to the local community. This has included setting up community events such as the Queen's coronation party, supporting the church, helping the parish council and clearing fly tipped rubbish. As director of two businesses in Twineham, I have good communication skills and an understanding of finances.. I appreciate the heritage of Twineham school and would like to support the school more directly.

I know you will join me in congratulating Rich!

#### Safeguarding / Safety

With the Christmas festivities just around the corner, children are looking forward to receiving gifts. For some, this may be devices that allow you to go online. Even with the best intentions, many parents have a false sense of how to keep their child secure, or think their child is more secure than they actually are.

Please see attached information sheet on keeping children safe online this Christmas. It is a great timely reminder of the key Safety Net messages. Many thanks Mrs Francis (Computing lead)

#### SEN

This week we say Goodbye to Jodie Vaughan, who has been our supportive SENCO for the past 7 years. We wish her well as she continues to develop her own business.

We are delighted to welcome Maria Fitzgerald to the team as our permanent 2 day a week SENCO (Weds and Thurs).

Thanks go to Holy Trinity Church have generously given a Christmas present gift bag to some of our financial disadvantaged families to support them at this expensive time of year.

#### **School Clubs/Sports**

Please see attached the following:

Poster for The Only Camps—Sport camp. They have given us a discount code for you to use—**15% off code: SCHOOL15**, that parents can use on their first purchase!

Poster for Cricket Christmas clubs and the Spring term academy.

Advert for Cool 4 Schools Christmas ball and after school clubs.

Adam Virgo Football Christmas club information.

Some of our children competed in locality athletics and cross country. They demonstrated Twineham values and we are extremely proud of them!



#### **Goodwood Farm**

We are very grateful to Goodwood Home Farm who gave our Poppy class a free visit to their working farm and £300 towards coach travel. The children learnt about the dairy farm and were introduced to some day old calves.



### Benji-Oakwood

Benji sells prints and cards of his artwork on ETSY, he only open's it for Christmas and this is the third year he has done it. All the artwork is completely his own from scratch, made age 6-9.

All the proceeds go to charity. He raised £500 from it last year, and this year is raising money for Save the Children appeal for Gaza, Reserva Youth Land Trust

https://benjaminfallow.etsy.com



#### **Worship Spot**

The Parish of ASCaT are holding three carol services this year: On Sunday 17 December at 6pm at service of Nine Lessons and Carols at St Bartholomew's Church in Albourne On Friday 22 December at 6pm a Carol Service at Christ Church in Sayers Common On Christmas Eve (Sunday 24 December) at 4pm a Crib and Carol Service (with live animals) at St Peter's Church in Twineham – it would be great if you could come dressed up as one of the characters from the Christmas story for this service. We hope to see you there.

On Christmas Day we will be having a service of Holy Communion in Christ Church, Sayers Common at 10am

**Reverend Rachel Cornish** 

## Every child is a gift and every child is gifted



This Week's Celebrations...

On Thursdays, we celebrate children who have been doing some great learning, showing amazing behaviour for learning or living out our school values. We are now thinking about our value of creativity. Here are our latest celebrations :

Poppy: Edward for his progress in maths & Theo for his gardening. George for always being kind & helpful. Isla Grant for her great baking and following the recipe.

Willow: Tyreece & Harry, Daisy & Dominic. Tobias & Rhys.

Oakwood: Jack for his discussions on reading comprehension & handwriting, Edwin for his book reviews in his journal. Caspar for learning his song words & Ludo for his high standard of acting. Matilda & Alex for the letters they wrote about Kensuke's Kingdom.

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