



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We hope you enjoyed the long weekend. It has been lovely hearing some of the children's reflections after watching the Queen's funeral. Many thanks to Rhys and his family for taking a card to Buckingham Palace from us all at Twineham.

Supporting your child with phonics and reading

We have started a new phonics programme, 'Sounds-Write' in line with government guidance. We hope it will support our children to become even more confident in reading and writing.

Mrs Turner will be giving a talk about the 'Sounds-Write' programme and how you can support your child to read at home on Wednesday at 2.30pm.

We recommend all Buttercup and Poppy parents attend if possible. Key Stage 2 parents are also welcome to come. Handouts will be available for those who are unable to make it.



Diary Dates

(newly added dates in red)

26th Sept	Reading is Magic week
27th Sept	Harvest Festival @2pm
28th Sept	Phonics Meeting for Parents @ 2.30pm
18th & 20th Oct	Parents Evenings
24th-29th Oct	Half Term

Uniform

Just a reminder that school uniform, with black shoes, should be worn **every day** (children will get changed at school for PE and clubs).

PE hoodies are *only* for PE lessons and should *not* be worn to school.

Please make sure your child does not have jewellery on or temporary tattoos.

School Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for a Teaching Assistant and Office Administrator.

If you're interested or know anyone who is please get in touch!

All details here: http://www.twineham.w-sussex.sch.uk/website/staff_vacancies_/620058

Football Club

Please see attached details about half term football camps.

Also a reminder to email info@adamvirgoacademy.com for any queries/payments for our Wednesday afterschool club.

P.E Update from Mrs Stafford

With a new term and new school year there come new PE and sport opportunities. We have even started the term with the sunshine! In PE, the KS2 focus is "Let's get moving", this focuses on lots of different activities and challenges (both team and personal) related to running. KS1 and Buttercups are continuing to work on their fundamental movement skills. In relation to the opportunities to attend events, we will always endeavour to attend as many as we can. When it comes to choosing the children, our aim is to ensure every child has the opportunity to attend at least one event over the year.

This term the events we are hoping to attend are:

Year 3&4 Netball Festival
Years 5&6 Girls Rugby Festival
NEARS Cross Country
Sports Hall Athletics
NEARS Football



Twineham School Places for September 2023!

Please remember that applications open for Reception school places on Monday 3 October 2022 and all applications must be in before Sunday 15 January 2023. **If you know anyone who has children due to start school next year please let them know about Twineham.** We are always looking to welcome new families and grow our small school (there is no need for them to be in catchment). They can arrange a personal tour with Laura Kelsey or Lizzie Cotton by emailing office@twineham.w-sussex.sch.uk. If you have a younger sibling due to start you are also very welcome to arrange a tour to see what's new and have time to ask any questions.



Safeguarding Spot

As the days get shorter, it's a good idea to think about how to keep children safe as the nights draw in. This website has lots of great tips for all ages and pets too: <https://firstaidforlife.org.uk/keeping-children-safe-in-dark/>

.....and moving on to Secondary School

If your child is in Year 6 please remember you must apply for a Secondary place through the West Sussex website (www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-places/apply/secondary-school-places/). The deadline is Monday 31st October.

Please see the attached letter about Steyning Grammar School Open Events

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If you don't know already Twineham is on Facebook! Please follow us at...

<https://www.facebook.com/TwinehamPrimary/>

And for our Friends of Twineham page...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/593852620806697>

Could it be Magic now? Reading is Magic week!

Next week, we are taking part in the Reading is Magic Festival. This 5 day event is the brainchild of the last Children's Laureate Cressida Cowell (author of the How to Train your Dragon books). The key message is **Reading is magic and magic is for everyone**.



We will be participating in various online author sessions, pairing up with our friends in different year groups to read as well as celebrating books and stories in our own classes. Over the week we will be highlighting one or more of the five points from Cowell's Reading Charter, which declares that 'every child has the right to ...

... be creative for at least 15 minutes a week

... have a planet to read on

... see themselves reflected in a book

... have some choice in what they read

... read for the joy of it'

We are very excited! The children at Twineham talk expressively and passionately about their love of reading and stories, and as a school we believe that reading is the key to unlocking potential.

How you can help at home: please make sure your child has a reading book in school everyday - especially next week. We'd love to see pictures of where the children read at home. Can they make a cosy den, find a spot to read to a pet, or wrap up warm and take a book outside? Please share photos on Seesaw - the more unusual the better!

We will add some of our photos from school to next week's newsletter.

Thank you, as always for your continued support.



Twineham CofE School

Nurture Togetherness Resilience Creativity



Every child is a gift and every child is gifted

Celebration assembly

On Thursdays, we celebrate children who have been doing some great learning, showing amazing behaviour for learning or living out our school values.

Thursday 15th September

Poppy: Arlo for active listening & Isla for resilience when coming into school

Willow: Ralph for great writing and being an amazing Year 3 & Edwin for working independently.

Oakwood: Maksym for great improvement in his English & Caspar for an amazing monster description.

Thursday 22nd September

Poppy: Timmy-James for independent writing using his phonics & Grayson for active listening

Willow: Sherlock & Benji for amazing cave man art using nature

Oakwood: Ludo & Henry for fantastic work ethic across all subjects