



Twineham CofE School

Nurture Togetherness Resilience Creativity



14th February Spring Term 2025

Diary Dates (newly added dates in red)

17th—21st February—Half Term—**Create book in a box**

26th & 27th February—Parents evening

3rd March—Book in a box entries handed in today (see attached for details)

6th March—World Book Day (activities all week)

7th March—Book in a box winners announced

13th March—Ardingly visit to help us with an Art project

31st March—4th April—Book fair after school

7th—21st April—Easter Holiday

30th June—Year 6 leavers service at Christs Hospital 1.30pm

3rd July—Group photos

INSET DAYS— 2nd June



A message from Mrs Davy

Happy Valentine's Day from 'Team Twineham'! It has been such an exciting half term at Twineham and next half term the fun continues! World Book day is on the 6th March and we invite children to either dress as their favourite book day character or come to school in their pyjamas!

The school council have voted on our new house teams which are named after local bishops. We now have Bushyager (green), Hazelwood (yellow) and Warner (red).

After half term, we will extend our offer of a free club to support children's mental health and well-being with an interactive wellness session on Friday mornings called 'Spirit Shakers' (see attached leaflet). This will be in the hall from 8:30-9am and we will limit to the first 10 children who arrive each Friday. We will continue to offer our very popular Thursday lunchtime dance session with Lauren as well!

Twineham has asked Ardingly college to support us with an exciting art project as we focus on refreshing our school vision in line with our Christian ethos. This will happen on the 13th March!

We received £27.67 from EasyFundraising—thank you to whoever suggested us—this is wonderful and will be used to purchase new sensory resources.

Thank you as always for your continued support and we wish you a restful half term.

Parent readers

Oakwood / Willow class would love some parent/grandparent helpers to hear children read. Please contact Mrs Turner and arrange to see Jess in the school office to start a DBS check.

English

Please see attached the Book in a Box document outlining our exciting Half term competition! 5 lucky winners will receive vouchers for the book fair taking place w/c 31st March.

Oakwood

Oakwood participated in an online STEM challenge, supported by the RAF, to design and build rockets made from card. The students created different designs and tested them out. The rockets had to have a payload (to represent a satellite) to transport to space. Pupils launched the rockets at different angles using a straw, then recorded results in a workbook.

We were excited to receive a shout out on the live stream, where we were commended for our tidy work spaces and sharing of resources!



Safeguarding / Safety

We encourage all children to enter the building on their own to build up their skills of independence. Several of our children with additional needs are accompanied by their parent into the building at the start of the day so that they can have a hand-over with their 1:1 learning support assistant as transitions can be challenging.

If you have a meeting at the start of the school day, please ensure that you enter and sign in via the school office and collect a red visitors lanyard so that everyone is aware that you are remaining in the school building when the gates are closed. This is a policy in all schools that any visitor signs in. Thank you in advance for your cooperation to ensure the safety of all our children.

West Sussex

THE DIGITAL DILEMMA: Keeping Your Kids Safe Online Thames Valley Police Cyber Protect are running a free webinar to help parents and carers understand some of the risks young people face online, and how they can best protect themselves and their family from falling victim to cyber criminal behaviours! Tickets are available here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/police-south-east-cyber-77121396093>

BORDE HILL

Please see attached poster advertising the half term Welly Walk.

Term Dates

2025/2026 Term dates have been added to the website. Our Inset days will be confirmed nearer the time :)

Worship Spot

This term we are continuing our focus on Psalms: Songs from the heart.

This week the children have been learning about kindness and the story of Mephibosheth Psalm 103:8. We have been thinking about someone close to us and whether they need some kindness. What could we do?

Library

See attached posters from our local libraries with amazing opportunities from sensory story time to VR headsets. We also have some hard copies of these posters in the office if you would like one :)

Lunches

In line with other schools, we would ask parents not to send their child with any nut based products in their lunch boxes. Thank you for your support.

SATS

Please see attached picture outlining the dates and tests etc for SATS this year.

School Clubs/Sports

Twineham has always been a musical school and currently our numbers attending lessons are dwindling. Both Laura for Piano and James for Guitar have spaces to teach at Twineham school, please see below contact details.

James—www.jcguitar.co.uk 07824637422

Laura—pianowithlaura@outlook.com

See attached poster for a Dance & Singing workshop in half term :)

Please see attached poster for half term Holiday clubs that are held at The Triangle Burgess Hill, The Dolphin Haywards Heath and Kings Centre East Grinstead plus Includes swimming on the day.

Some of our KS2 children attended the Sussex Schools Games Festival and particularly enjoyed the Parkour. The people that ran this session are based in Crawley and run a number of classes, for anyone that is interested here is the website: <https://www.crawleyparkour.org/>



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 :

Buttercups: George & Marianna for lovely seaside poems, Warren for amazing work completing his missions, Zack for applying his phonics to his writing independently, Wesley for his under the sea art.

Willow: Arthur for his finger spaces & Theo for his map, Lenny & Reggie for great focus in English, Isla G for her maths & Isla W for completing her missions, Theodore for being amazing on the Hindu trip.

Oakwood: Boden for thoughtful RE poetry & James Botha for wonderful descriptive writing, James Bridger for accuracy finding missing angles & Scarlett for fabulous Fraction work, Davyd for expanding his vocabulary & Alfie for his progress in maths, Jack for improved accuracy across the curriculum & Boden for being a super kind friend.



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