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Friday 3rd March 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a good week and that you enjoyed looking at your children's work at Parents Evening.

Congratulations to our Platinums this week:

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| Edward Reeves | Izzy Porter |
| Edward Dartnell | Tom Young |
| Amber Parkinson | Lea Williams |
| Xander Bourton | Bethan Fabian |

Dates for your diary

Monday 6th March - Bag2School Day
Tuesday 7th March - Year 5&6 Football league after school (selected pupils)
Thursday 9th March - Year 3&4 football league after school (selected pupils)
Sunday 12th March - Cross Country County Championships at Newent School
Monday 13th March - Foxes Class trip to Cheltenham Town Hall
Friday 17th March - COMIC RELIEF - Wear something red + own clothes
Tuesday 21st March - Y5&6 Netball Cup after school (selected pupils)
Wednesday 22nd March - Y5&6 Tag rugby festival (selected pupils)
Tuesday 28th March - Y5&6 Tag rugby after school (selected pupils)
Tuesday 25th April - Y1,2,3 trip to Waterways Museum, Gloucester
May 17th - 19th 2023 - Y5&6 residential trip
July 6th & 7th 2023 - Y3&4 residential trip

Bag2School Day

If you can, please fill a bin bag and bring it to school by 9am on Monday 6th March.
Many thanks.

World Book Day - 2nd March

On Wednesday, children were all given a book voucher to take home. Hopefully you will all enjoy your books! We had a lovely time having extra story sessions.

Comic Relief

On Friday 17th March, we will be raising funds for Comic Relief. There will be a sporting challenge during the day and a cake sale after school. Please send your children in to school wearing their own sporty clothes with something RED! Please donate £1 or more on arrival in the morning and we welcome as many cake donations as possible!

Staff changes

Mrs Booth is retiring on 30th March after an incredible 40 years service at Twynning School! We will all really miss her. We have set up a SECRET retirement book for Mrs Booth which we hope will be filled with messages from past and present pupils. Please help us to keep this a secret from her so that it is a nice surprise.

After the Easter holidays, Mrs Smith will take on the position of Catering Assistant with Caterlink, in our school kitchen. She will continue to also work in our before school club but she will no longer be a lunchtime supervisor.

Cross Country Fun Run and Presentations

The conclusion of the Tewkesbury Cross Country series took place yesterday at The Vineyards with a fun run and presentations. We are delighted to announce that our girls won the Small Schools trophy, the boys came third and overall we were second. Elena received the first place girls trophy from her exceptional performance, winning 4 out of 5 races. Josh H was our highest placing boy, and both he and Elena have been selected to represent the Tewkesbury District at the County Championships on Sunday 12th March. We celebrated our success in assembly today with almost a quarter of the school receiving certificates for competing in some or all of the races. Well done to our runners! Mrs Leggett would also like to thank Mr Simpson for his help in setting up the course each week.

Lost Library Books

We have recently noted that a few library books have not been returned to our school library after having been borrowed by children. We have therefore decided to implement a system whereby if a child does not return a book they have previously signed out, a letter will be issued asking for either a replacement book or a donation of five pounds so that we can buy a replacement. We hope that you will support us with this.

Your feedback is important to us!

Asking for feedback can be a scary prospect but we like to regularly ask for your views and comments so that we can strive to be as good as we possibly can! We may not always be able to act on or make the changes that are all suggested but we always listen to your views. I would like to draw your attention to a new section on the school website along the top bar called 'Your Feedback'. On this page you will find summaries of your most recent feedback from surveys.

You will also see that there is a link to <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> which every school should periodically share a link to. Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about our school. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected but it would be really great to acknowledge all of our successes so that when Ofsted do arrive (some time in the future!) they will see how proud we all are!



Charity Concert 11th March

Local band *Too Young to Know*, *Too Old to Care* are playing at a charity concert on 11th March at Twyning Village Hall, and a proportion of funds raised will go to our PTFA. We are very thankful for this. If you want to buy tickets, please email ian.southall@sky.com.

Safer Internet Day

The Schoolbeat Team from the Neighbourhood Policing Team, Gloucestershire Constabulary have put together a short video for parents encouraging them to talk to their children about internet safety. Please click on the link below to view the short video.

<https://youtu.be/IEfS-OK70sY>

Move More Holiday Camps

Have a look at these holiday camps and activities available from Move-More

CAMPS : www.move-more.org/camps

10% Sibling Discount

Childcare Vouchers Accepted

3 Camp Locations

Camps for ages 3 - 12

LEARN TO CYCLE: 4 weeks to go until the next block of Balanceability lessons start! 6 lessons every Saturday at All Saints Academy, 3 to 7 years, equipment can be provided.

Safeguarding

We recently surveyed all children in the school about their online experiences and we were pleased with the level of understanding that our pupils demonstrated about keeping themselves safe online. Here is a great resource for you to look at with your children to help them stay safe online further: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Remember the rules of online safety: Keep personal information limited. Keep privacy settings on. Practise safe browsing. Make sure your internet connection is secure. Be careful what you download. Choose strong passwords. Report online concerns about online exploitation to: www.ceop.police.uk

Contact

Please feel free to make contact with me via email head@twyning.gloucs.sch.uk should you need to speak to me. During evenings and weekends, I may not be able to respond to you straight away but I will make contact with you during normal working hours as soon as I can. Many thanks for all of your support.

Kindest regards

Mrs Lucy Halling, Headteacher

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Join us as we design flora and fauna for our children's exhibition board, which will go on public display for Earth Day. So come along and be a part of this fantastic project which focuses on the wonderful wildlife we have here in Britain!



Wednesday 22nd
& Thursday 23rd
February 2023

10am to 12pm
Drop in

Old Baptist
Chapel,
Old Baptist Chapel
Court,
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Donations
appreciated

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