



Tonwell St Mary's CE (VC) Primary School

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Newsletter – Friday 9th September

Dear Parents,

It has been a busy and successful week back at school. Thank you to you all for making me feel so welcome. I'm delighted to share some of the children's learning with you:



I had a challenge making teen numbers with the cubes and mixing them up and ordering them.
Nixon

We love playing in the mud kitchen! We made mud peanuts and pizza.
Reception children

It's been great finding our new facts about the Aztecs in the afternoons.
Elliot

Kind regards,

Mrs Bridgman

Clubs

We are pleased to be able a range of clubs free of charge. Clubs will start from Monday 19th September. Please complete and return the slip at the end of the newsletter. There may be occasions when clubs have to be cancelled. Please check newsletters for further information.

Volunteers

We would very much like to welcome volunteers to work with the children and support the school. If you are able to offer your time, please speak to Mrs Moorehead or Mrs Bridgman so that we can check you have the necessary DBS check and to arrange an induction to update you on the most recent safeguarding information before you start.

The Friends of Tonwell will be meeting on Tuesday 13th September at 2.30pm at the school. Parents are very welcome to attend and your support is greatly appreciated.



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Forest Schools

We are very excited to be starting Forest School at Tonwell St. Mary's. We have a great school field and woodland area which is the ideal location for us to go out and explore, have fun and learn. Forest School is an inspirational concept providing learning opportunities through practical activities in an outdoor environment. Children enjoy the freedom to explore and experience the natural world in all seasons and in all weathers. Forest School embraces an approach of nurturing, supporting and developing the self-esteem of participants. It is an ideal environment in which to develop innovation, problem solving, risk taking, creativity and teamwork.

To allow the pupils to participate fully the correct clothing is essential for Forest School. Please ensure that your child brings in to school old clothes, with suitable footwear, for them to change into. Please provide clothes that are warm, waterproof and fully cover arms and legs completely (no shorts or t-shirts please). Warm hats and gloves are vital in colder weather, caps or sun hats for sunny days.

The children will be taking part in Forest School activities on the following days:

Nursery and Reception: Tuesday

Y1/2: Thursday

Y3/4/5/6: Wednesday

Many thanks,

L Fitzgerald

Free School Meals

Did you know that just by registering your child for free school meals that the school receives extra funding for your child? Further information can be found on the Hertfordshire County Council website:

<https://beta.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

We are happy to help with the application. Please speak to Mrs Moorehead or Mrs Bridgman.

Term Time Absence

Attendance at school is extremely important for your child's learning and progression. I do appreciate that there may be rare occasions when your child may have to miss school. A new term time request for leave of absence for your child is available on the school's website and is available from the school office.

Christmas Dates

Wednesday 14th December Christmas Dinner

Friday 16th December Nativity at Holy Trinity Church



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PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE

I would like my child to attend the following clubs:

Monday	KS2 Sports 3.15-4.15 (Y3-6)	Sports Coach	
Monday	Homework 12.45-1.15 (Y1-6)	Mrs Lay	
Tuesday	Cooking 3.15-4.15 (Y 3-6)	Mrs Robinson-Moore	We will ask for a contribution of £5 per child for the term to buy ingredients
Wednesday	KS1 Sports 3.15-4.15 (R, Y1, Y2)	Miss Fitzgerald	
Thursday	Booster/Computing 8.00-8.45 (Y6 only)	Mrs Bridgman	

Name of child:

Signed:

For after school clubs my child will be picked up by: