



Tonwell St Mary's CE (VC) Primary School

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'Knowing each child, growing each child, in God's love'

Friday 27th September

Christian Value: Perseverance

Dear Parents,

We have had a busy couple of weeks in school and I have lots of good news to share with you.

Thank you and well done to our Early Years children for their entry into the village scarecrow competition. Their creation was awarded third place and a £10 prize!



We have had a new pirate ship for climbing with two sandpits installed in our outdoor area for Ash Class to use, although many of our other children have enjoyed playing and exploring this new equipment.



Hertfordshire based charity 'Edufund' have kindly donated nearly £1000 to the school, so we can purchase new musical instruments and K'nex equipment for the children.

Finally, I am delighted to share the news with you that Mrs Robinson-Moore is expecting a baby due at the end of Spring Term. I will keep parents updated of our recruitment for maternity cover.

Mrs Bridgman

Attendance

Your children's attendance and punctuality is very important to us. It makes a significant positive difference to their progress if they attend well and **on time**. Please be reminded that children must arrive prompt at **8.45am every day**. Learning activities start as soon as the children come into the classroom and it can be unsettling if children arrive late. If children arrive after registers close, it is recorded as an unauthorised absence. The Local Authority may issue fixed penalty notices if children have 15 unauthorised absences (equivalent to 7 ½ days).

Harvest Celebration Worship Time

Families are invited to join us in the school hall for a harvest celebration worship time on Friday 4th October from 2.50pm-3.15pm. We are supporting the Bishop of St Albans' Harvest Appeal 'Light up Tanzania' this year. Any donations for this project would be gratefully received on the day. £1 suggested donation.

Toys in School

We have noticed that some children are regularly bringing toys from home into school. Unless there is a special arrangement, please do let your child bring toys into school.



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Dates

These are some key dates for this term. All dates will be available on our website.

Tuesday 1 st October	8.45am Parent Forum
Friday 4 th October	Celebration Harvest Worship Time (all parents invited)
Monday 7 th October	Road Safety (EYFS)/Scooterability (Y1/2)
Thursday 10 th October	Individual school photographs, siblings welcome at 9am
Friday 18 th October	2.50pm Celebration Worship Time (all parents invited)
Tuesday 22 nd October	3.30pm-6.30pm Parent/Teacher Consultations (Oak class from 2.30pm)
Friday 25 th October	INSET DAY – School Closed
W.B. 11 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Thursday 14 th November	Oak class Tag Rugby (Letter to follow)
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need
Friday 29 th November	F.O.T. Christmas Bazaar from 3pm
Tuesday 3 rd December	1.30pm Whole School Visit to Pantomime (letter to follow)
Tuesday 10 th December	1.30pm Whole School Nativity and Church Service @ Holy Trinity (letter to follow)
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas Lunch (Letter to follow)
Friday 20 th December	School Closes 1.15pm



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Parent Consultations

Our parent consultation evening is Tuesday 22nd October from 3.30pm-6.30pm (Mrs Higgins will be available from 2.30pm). Please complete and return the slip below to book a time to see your child's teacher. You will receive a slip to confirm the time allocated for your 10-minute appointment. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any difficulties attending at these times and we will try our best to book another appointment.

**PARENT CONSULTATIONS – TUESDAY 22nd OCTOBER –
PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL OFFICE BY MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER**

Name of child:

Class:

Please indicate your preference for timings:

2.30-3.00pm (KS2 only)	
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3.30-4.00pm	
4.00-4.30pm	
4.30-5.00pm	
5.00-5.30pm	
5.30-6.00pm	
6.00-6.30pm	