

# Turners Hill C of E School News



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## Welcome, from the Headteacher.....

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

Although this is only the second week back after Easter we have packed a great deal into a short space of time! I was delighted that so many of you, along with some invited guests, were able to join us last Friday for our annual May Day celebration. As always, the children were magnificent and I must thank those that took part as each element was delivered to a very high standard. I was very proud of them all and I know that those present were also very impressed- well done!

Last Friday was also a lovely chance to celebrate the school's 140<sup>th</sup> birthday. Thank you to all the families that contributed food for the brilliant party lunch that the children enjoyed. Also, thank you to FoTHS for co-ordinating the celebrations and making it such a lovely event. Those that attended the May Day celebrations also had the chance to watch a wonderful presentation about the school's history which included some great pictures and quotes of key events from the last 140 years. For those of you not able to join us on the day we are working to add the presentation to the school's website and I hope that this will be available for you soon. No birthday would be complete without a cake, and what a cake it was! Words cannot do justice to the magnificent cake made by Olive Howard-Thomas. The cake was a beautiful tribute to the school and all it stands for, featuring images of the school building, the motto, the badge, chickens, learning resources, vegetables and bees - it was also delicious! Not only has Olive been busy baking creations worthy of The Great British Bake Off but she (ably assisted by husband Andy and mum Bridget) has produced the magnificent tree which now grows along the school corridor. The tree is adorned with the names of pupils (past and present), staff, governors and friends. Those of you who donated £2 will be able to see your names making up this new and very beautiful piece of Turners Hill history. If you wish to have your name added to the tree, please see Hayley. At this point I must make a very special thank you to Olive and her family for the cake, tree and presentation. Without their hard work our celebrations would not have been as memorable and special (photos below).

This week has been a short but busy one with the Diocese of Chichester visiting us for our SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist School) Inspection. As with Ofsted, their report will be available in around 2 to 3 weeks and we will ensure that you receive this as soon as possible. I would like to thank those parents that spoke to the Inspector or returned the questionnaires. Parent voice is very important during inspections and it was also lovely to see such positive messages about the Christian ethos of the school and values that we share and celebrate being expressed.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Ben Turney

**INSET DAYS – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June and Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

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## MAY DAY PHOTOS



### ***What Perseverance means to me (Tilly Hepburn)***

Perseverance to me means having to be brave, believe in yourself and keep going.

For example, I needed perseverance when I did Race for Life, which is a 5K run and I was only 8 but I kept going because I knew the money was going to a good cause and helping people who have cancer. I was thinking about those people and that kept me going.

## **TOTS STAFFING NEWS**

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Dee Brazier who is joining us as a Pre-school Assistant and Key Worker. We are also delighted that Zoe Connaughton will be joining us permanently. Both Dee and Zoe are Level 3 Qualified as Pre-school Practitioners and have many years' experience working with children and we wish them both many years of happiness working with us at Tots.

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## STAR PUPIL AWARDS

Recently, the following Star Pupil Certificates have been awarded to:

William Strong for persevering when making his frog for our reflections area!

Abbie Emery for showing courage when she asked for help with some tricky Maths!

Jodie Smith for persevering with her reading and editing her independent writing.

Jack Kelly for creativity! Your Lego African Savannah home learning is brilliant!

Isabella Seelig for perseverance in Maths... well done, you kept going and now feel confident!

Ella Bates for taking responsibility for her learning this year. She has been proactive in asking for help and extending her learning at home.

Nathaniel Kelly for showing perseverance in learning to do up buttons and get changed for PE independently.

Zach Sturgess for growing in confidence in Maths and having the courage to have a go when he finds it challenging.

Amellia Oates for persevering with her Maths, finding halves, quarters and three quarters of amounts! Well done!

Elliot Head for creativity! Your home learning to show perseverance is amazing!

Hermoine Jefferies for being a good friend. For always trying her best and having confidence in her ability.



## KEY STAGE 2 ASSESSMENTS

Children in Year 6 will be formally assessed week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017. If you are a parent of a child in Year 6, please ensure they eat and drink well and have sensible bedtimes during that week in order for them to show their potential. We wish them all well!

## CLASS ASSEMBLIES

The following are the dates for class assemblies for the Summer Term:

Birch Class – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 9.05am

Maple Class – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 9.05am

Cherry Class – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 9.05am

## SOLAR AT TURNERS HILL SCHOOL

The school gets the majority of its electricity from 100 solar panels on the roof. The south facing panels generate most of the power. The east facing ones generate power in the morning, the west facing ones in the afternoon and evening. At times, over 200 days a year, they generate an excess of electricity which we store in our 12kw battery storage system to power the school into the evening and overnight. Some of the clean, green electricity is also exported to the grid. REPOWERBalcombe is a renewable energy co-operative owned by its members, many of whom are local. The co-op provided 64 panels and the batteries FREE to the school. It sells the green electricity to the school about 80% cheaper than the market rate. Co-operative members are passionate about protecting the world from climate change so children have a chance of a brighter, less polluted future. REPOWERBalcombe – Clean Community Energy.

## TENNIS COACHING

Tennis lessons with James Over take place at Turners Hill Primary School on Friday afternoons from 3.20pm to 3.55pm. James is a Level 4 Licensed Tennis Coach and has been coaching at our school for over 9 years. If your child is interested in having tennis lessons, please speak to the office.

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## PERMISSION FOR SCHOOL TRIPS

As you are aware, when the school are going out on a trip, we ask for permission and parental consent. If we do not receive these signed forms back from parents, your child may miss out on these outings - **verbal permission is no longer acceptable.**

## SCHOOL CLUBS

### Tuesday

Netball (Year 4-6) – 3.20pm to 4.20pm  
Football (Years 1-3) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm  
Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to 5.00pm

### Wednesday

Gymnastics (Mixed Ability) – 8.00am to 8.45am  
Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to 5.00pm

### Thursday

Gymnastics (Advanced) – 8.00am to 8.45am  
Football (Years 4-6) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm

### Friday

Tri-Golf (Years R-6) – 8.00am to 8.45am  
Tennis (Years 2-6) – 3.15pm to 3.55pm

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017** – KS2 SATs Week

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017** – Year 3/4 Tennis Competition

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017** – 12.30pm to 4.30pm – Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Competition - EGRFC

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017** – School Photographs

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 9.05am – Birch Class Assembly**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017** – Green Week

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017** – Whole School Trip to 'The Lion King'

**FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017 – INSET DAY**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – HALF TERM**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 3.15pm – Winstons Wish/Royal Marsden Cake Sale (details to follow)**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 9.05am – Maple Class Assembly**

**FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017 – INSET DAY**

**MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017 – INSET DAY**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017** – Year 3-6 Area Sports at Sackville School

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017 – 9.30am** – EGGSFest Rehearsal at Sackville School

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 7.00pm** – Warden Park New Parents' Meeting

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – Sports Day**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 9.30am** – EGGSFest Rehearsal at Sackville School

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 6.00pm** – EGGSFest Production at Sackville School

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – Reserve Sports Day**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017 – St. Wilfred's New Parents' Meeting**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – St. Wilfred's Induction Day**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017** – Sackville Induction Days

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017** – Warden Park Induction Day

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017** – Year 2 and Crew Leaders Multiskills at Imberhorne Upper School

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 2.30pm – Flute Concert**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017** – 1.30pm – Worth Leavers Service



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**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – School Disco**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 9.05am – Cherry Class Assembly**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – Year 5 Taster Day at Imberhorne Lower School**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – Imberhorne Induction Day**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – Moving Along Day**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – 1.15pm – School Production Dress Rehearsal**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 6.00pm – School Production**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 6.00pm – School Production**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017 – Year 6 Leavers' Day**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 2.00pm – Leavers' Church Service at St Leonard's Church**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 6.30pm – Year 6 Celebration Evening**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017 – 1.30pm – Final Assembly – **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.00PM****

**RETURN TO SCHOOL – MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017**

## **SCHOOL WEBSITE:**

Please look at our school website ([www.turnershillschool.org.uk](http://www.turnershillschool.org.uk)) for up-to-date news and useful information.

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