



Turners Hill C of E School Newsletter

'Stewards Of The Earth, Eager to Learn, Faithful To God'

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WELCOME

Welcome back to school.

I hope that you had a fantastic holiday and had the chance to spend some quality time with your children. This year promises to be filled with lots of opportunities and new experiences. We hope that the children will enjoy their new classes, learning many new things and having fun along the way.

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our new starters; our wonderful new Reception children; Zoe in Year 6, Zara and Poppy in Year 5; Phoebe and Oakley in Year 3; Mrs Harwood (Teaching Assistant) in Maple class and Mr Luckhurst (student teacher) in Cherry. I hope that you enjoy your time at Turners Hill and I am sure you will feel at home very quickly.

The start of a new year often means that there are many questions about the class (or classes) that your child/children are in for this academic year, to help answer some of these questions we will be having a 'meet the teacher' session after school on Monday 10th September. This will be a short informal session where staff will inform parents and carers about their child's timetable, forthcoming events, homelearning, educational visits and information regarding the curriculum. Whilst the purpose of these sessions isn't to discuss individual children, staff will answer any general questions. Please do not worry if you cannot make the meeting as all documentation will be sent home and we are happy to answer any questions you may have at a mutually convenient time.

Once again, welcome back.

Ben Turney
Head Teacher



STAR PUPIL AWARD



JASMINE MALE – Being an excellent role model in class and around the school.

MAPLE CLASS RECEPTION – Showing great confidence at coming into school. What a fantastic start!

BEN WHITTAKER – Coming back to school with a responsible, helpful and kind manner.



LIAM ARMSTRONG – Rising to the new challenges of Willow class and being a great role model.

BETHANY MACKINTOSH – Being friendly, helpful and kind to her new classmates. She is a great role model.



BONNIE GIBSON – Being a confident and independent Cherry for the first few days back at school.

HOLLY CLASS – For their incredible behaviour in and outside the class room. 10 minutes golden time.



Prayer (Cherry Class)

Dear God,

Thank you for the world we live in. Thank you for all the lovely plants and the fruits and vegetables we grow. Thank you for all the learning we get to do at school and for helping us to work hard. Help us to use our growth mindset and to always try our best.

Amen

WEBSITE UPDATES

On the school website, under the information section, you can find an updated Child Protection policy.

<http://turnershillschool.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Child-Protection-Policy-Oct-2017.pdf>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 10th September – 3.25pm meet the teachers
Monday 10th September – 7pm FOTHS meeting taking place at the school
Monday 10th September – Forest School starts for Year 2
Wednesday 12th September – Worth Starts for Year 5
Sunday 14th October – 3pm Schools Cross Country races
Thursday 20th September – Sackville school open evening
Thursday 27th September – Imberhorne school open evening
Monday 8th October – Internet safety week
Thursday 11th October – 2pm Harvest festival at St Leonards church
Monday 15th October – Science & Nature week
Tuesday 16th October – School photos (siblings and individuals)

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Good attendance is essential to your son or daughter's academic success. We aim for an overall attendance rate of at least 95%, and attendance levels below 90% give us serious cause for concern. I would be grateful for your support in ensuring that your son or daughter only misses school where it is absolutely unavoidable. Routine medical appointments should be made outside school hours wherever possible.

Punctuality to school and to lessons is also important as it is indicative of a student's general motivation and commitment towards school. The start of a new school year enables us to set the tone for learning and behaviour in the school. It is an important time for teachers and children to establish classroom routines and to set expectations of behaviour and working well together. Please help us by ensuring children are in school by 8.55am at the latest, wearing the correct school uniform and prepared to learn.

SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday

Cheerleading/Gymnastics (Year R-3) –
3.15pm to 4.15pm

Tuesday

Netball (Year 4-6) – 3.20pm to 4.20pm
Football (Years 2-3) – 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Forest Schools (Year R-6) – 3.15pm to
5.00pm

Wednesday

Rocksteady (morning sessions)
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

FOTHS

The next FOTHS meeting will be held on Monday 10th September at Turners Hill School where we will cover the aims, structure and ways of working for and with FOTHS.

Everyone is welcome.

DOGS

For health and safety reasons, please ensure that your dog is tied up securely AWAY from the entrance gates so as not to impede people's entrance and exit through the gates. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.