



Twineham CofE School



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This month's value for life: PERSERVERANCE

Tuesday 23rd January 2018

Dear Parents,

Cross Country

Well done to Ralf, Rose and Zach B who competed in the Mid Sussex Cross Country Finals at East Court last week, racing with other winning runners from local areas. They did us proud throughout the cross country season and Ralf achieved 19th place in this very gruelling race. Rose completed the tough course with fantastic determination and Zach was unfortunately injured. Thank you to parents for your help and support.

Church Lane: important reminder

Please remember that the safety of children, parents and all pedestrians should always be number one priority in Church Lane. Unfortunately a parent with young children was nearly hit by a car last week which mounted the pavement. Please take care to drive slowly and diligently to avoid something terrible happening in the lane. Car sharing is proving very helpful so try to share the school run with others as much as possible; this really makes a difference.

Welcome to Miss Choudhury

We have enjoyed the many benefits of working with University of Brighton trainee teachers and we now welcome **Ishita Choudhury** who will work with Poppy Class. Miss Choudhury will be with us for most of this term, sharing planning and teaching with our team in Poppy. As always the teaching and learning is the responsibility of the school but we welcome the fresh thinking and reflective practice that we experience when collaborating with student teachers. Please contact me if you have any questions about this process and how we support placements.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will take place on Tuesday 27th March 5pm – 7:30pm and Thursday 29th March 1:30pm – 5pm. The eSchools booking system will be made available around two weeks before these dates.

SIAMS Inspection

Thank you for your fabulous support last Thursday during our section 48 inspection (SIAMS – Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) to explore our Christian distinctiveness as



a church school. Many strengths were celebrated and there will be some meaningful areas for development. We will share the outcomes with you when the report is made available within around 3 weeks.

One useful discussion concerned our monthly Christian values for life which we celebrate in collective worship and assembly time and how these should be shared clearly with parents. This month we are focussing on **perseverance** and each newsletter will include a reminder of the monthly value to help families to reinforce the theme at home.

Head lice

Please continue to check and treat you child's hair as we are still experiencing cases of head lice at school.

Musical.ly App

Some pupils have discussed using an app called Musical.ly, which is rated Aged 12+ on iTunes. Please be advised that we have been made aware of safeguarding concerns with this app. Adult users can contact children through the app and we urge you to monitor its use. We will highlight online safety in our Safer Internet Day on 6th February, but in the meantime please remind children to never reveal personal information to anyone they don't know.

Diary dates

Monday 5 th February	Science Week
Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day – 'Create, Connect and Share Respect'
Monday 12 th February	Half-term
Monday 19 th February	Back to school
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
Friday 2 nd March	Scholastics Book Fair arrives for one week
Tuesday 27th March 5pm – 7:30pm	Parent Consultation evening
Thursday 29th March 9am	Easter Service
Thursday 29th March 1:30pm – 5pm	Parent Consultation afternoon
Friday 30 th March	Easter Holidays start
Monday 16 th April	Back to school for Summer Term
Monday 28 th May	Half-term
Monday 4 th June	School closed for INSET
Friday 13 th July	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 24 th July	Last day of term

Kind regards,
Scott Reece