



# Twineham Church of England School

*Nurture Togetherness Resilience Creativity*



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## Everyone is a gift and everyone is gifted

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021

### Celebrations

*This week we are celebrating the awesome efforts and achievements of:*

**Buttercups:** Sebastian and Alfred      **Poppy:** George and Jack

**Willow:** Theo P, Lonnie and Hattie      **Oakwood:** Eli and Bryn

*You can view the celebration assembly at*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDny-f7aolq&t=77s>



Dear Parents,

### Christian Aid Cake Sale

Thank you for your awesome support for our Christian Aid Cake Sale. We raised £334.57, which makes a grand

total of **£403.22** with Gift Aid. This is an

amazing amount to greatly support this year's cause, helping people in rural Kenya to access clean and safe water.

### Outdoor Classroom Day this Thursday - please can children wear home clothes

*From Mrs Cotton:*

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May Twineham will be celebrating Outdoor Classroom Day. This is a global movement to celebrate outdoor play and learning. Across the school children will be doing lots of their learning outside on this day. Please make sure they have clothes suitable for the weather which they don't mind getting messy. If it's sunny please make sure your child has a hat and if it's wet please bring waterproofs and wellies (if not in school already).



## *Why are we celebrating Outdoor Classroom Day?*

Learning outside the classroom...

- ✓ supports the development of healthy and active lifestyles. Physical activity in the natural environment has even been shown to increase life-span.
- ✓ gives children contact with the natural world and offers them experiences that are unique to outdoors, such as direct contact with the weather and wildlife.
- ✓ supports children's problem-solving skills and nurtures their creativity, as well as providing rich opportunities for developing imagination, inventiveness, resourcefulness and collaboration.
- ✓ helps all academic subjects, increasing motivation and capacity to learn.

*[Research from Health, Well-Being and Open Space (UK) 2003, Ofsted 2008, Marchant et al, 2019]*

### **Face coverings**

Covid-19 risk management has not changed greatly in school. We are still advised to follow control measures such as monitoring and managing symptoms, cleaning, hand washing, class bubbles indoors, key stage bubbles outdoors and staggered timings. We will update you when primary school guidance changes. In the meantime, the use of face coverings at pick-up and drop-off continues to be advised.

### **Fire Service Visits**

With Covid-19 risk controls in place, we are pleased to welcome West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service to school to educate pupils about fire safety. Poppy and Oakwood classes enjoyed their visits today.

Thankfully there were no emergency calls so the pupils valued the opportunity to see the fire engine with demonstrations of the hose, siren and lights. The team will be back next Wednesday to run sessions with Buttercups and Willow.

### **Hedgehog Rescue**

As part of our Curriculum of Hope, we are learning more about compassion and kindness to each other and the planet. We are welcoming Graham Bowring from a local hedgehog rescue charity to tell us about their work and how we can help protect this endangered animal.

All classes will enjoy their own session with Graham on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, including a chance to meet a hedgehog! We will be asking for a voluntary donation of £1 to the charity to support the visit.

## **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	West Sussex Fire & Rescue Visits: Poppy and Oakwood
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Outdoor Classroom Day and Willow Class Greek Day
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Mid Sussex Virtual Marathon
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	West Sussex Fire & Rescue Visits: Buttercups and Willow
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Twineham Sports Crew running sports challenges in school
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	1 <sup>st</sup> day of half-term break and Bank Holiday
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Pupils return to school for 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of Summer Term
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Hedgehog Rescue workshops at school
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed for INSET
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	'Day of Sport' Celebration
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last day of school year

Kind regards,



*Scott Reece, Headteacher*