



Bishop Tufnell CE Schools

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*Learning together, to serve God, His world and His people.
Always our best because everyone matters.*



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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Happy New Year and welcome to the Spring Term 2018. I hope you had a happy and peaceful Christmas holiday and that this will be a very successful year at school for all of our children and for you at home.

Best wishes from all of the staff at Bishop Tufnell.

Yours sincerely,

Shane Morton
Executive Headteacher

OUR 5 SCHOOL RULES (Tufnell 1-5)

- T1 = Do as you are asked first time**
- T2 = Put your hand up for attention**
- T3 = Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself**
- T4 = Always do your best and let others do theirs**
- T5 = Always speak kindly and truthfully**

RECEPTION INTAKE AND TRANSFER TO JUNIOR SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2018

Please remember that the deadline for both of these is **15th January 2018**. (Please ensure that, together with your online application for Reception or Transfer to Junior School intake, the Supplementary Form for Admission is also completed by the 15th January - this can be obtained from the school office). You **must** complete this form (even if you have a sibling in either the Infant or Junior Schools) or your application will be affected.

If you have any queries please contact the school office.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES and 'DROP IN' SESSIONS

Please refer to our diary dates at the end of this newsletter. It is great to see you sharing your child's achievements with them.



NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS!?



- Please remember to ring the school office on 01243 584412 before 9.00 am if your child is absent.
- Please enter through the main school reception area if you arrive late for school after 8.55 am.
- Please let us know immediately if any of your contact details change.
- Please contact us if someone different will collect your child and is not on your agreed list of people to collect.
- Please try to walk, cycle or scooter to school on Walking Wednesdays.
- Please name all sweatshirts, cardigans, PE kit, lunchboxes and other school equipment.
- Please do not send sweets, chocolates, peanut butter sandwiches or fizzy drinks in school lunchboxes.
- Please take care driving and parking around our school. All inappropriate car use will be reported to the police through Operation Crackdown.
- Please do not allow any "scooting" or "biking" on school premises.
- Please supervise your children at all times whilst on site after 3pm.
- Please let us know about any concerns you may have – we are not perfect; but we are good at listening!

MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

For administration of any medicines you **must** complete a medical form before we can administer medicine to any child. Please come to the school office to complete a form. We need the medicine in its original container/box with the child's name/doctor's name and instructions regarding its dosage. Please remember that we only administer antibiotics in school if they have been prescribed four times per day

ECO-SCHOOL STATUS

Eco-Schools empowers pupils, raises environmental awareness, improves the school environment and also creates financial savings for schools. It engages the wider local community, links to the curriculum and can help deliver Ofsted requirements.

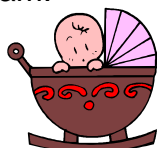
We are very proud to announce that last term we were awarded the top Eco School Status.

Our Eco-Team meets once per term usually on a Friday at 9.00am.



WELCOME TO ALL NEW BABIES!

Congratulations to all of you who have new additions to your family. If you have not brought your baby to be welcomed into our school family, please come with your baby to our New Baby Worship on Monday 29th January at 10.20am.



PRAYER GROUP

This group for parents and other members of the school community meets at 9.00am on one Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be here on Tuesday 16th January. The meeting after that will be on Tuesday 20th February and the one after that will be on Tuesday 13th March. You are all very welcome.



INFORMATION IN CASE OF COLD WEATHER/SCHOOL CLOSURE

During very cold weather, it is essential that all children have a warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves. Fresh air is lovely and the children will go out to play as usual so will need to be well wrapped up.

The responsibility for making the decision to close a school because of weather conditions or any other emergency is ultimately the Headteacher's in consultation with the Chair of Governors. If necessary, Mr Morton will make direct contact with the local radio station,

Spirit FM (a list of school closures will also be on their website: <http://www.spiritfm.net>), to give them messages about any closures.

The information will also be posted on the West Sussex County Council website <http://www.westsussex.gov.uk>. We also try to get a message on our own website and on our school answerphone, but this is not always possible if the big freeze has happened overnight.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Some children are entitled to a Free School Meal and where families are receiving appropriate benefits* we would encourage all parents to apply for this entitlement and encourage their child to take their free school meal each day.

The government now provides additional funding to schools for each pupil entitled to a free school meal (but does not have to take a meal). For each pupil the government allocates £1,300 to provide additional support. If your child is registered for Free School Meals you will also receive a free school sweatshirt per academic year, free school educational visits, a free dance club membership (when there are spaces) as well as additional support in school for your child. If you feel that this may apply to you, then please collect a form from the school office.

***Appropriate benefits:**

- **Income Support**
- **income-based Jobseeker's Allowance**
- **income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The Guaranteed element of state Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190).**

DATES SPRING TERM 2018

Monday 15th January 2018 – Deadline for applications for places in YR and Y3 for September 2018

Wednesday 17th January 2018 – Year 1 to St. Nicholas Church, am

Thursday 25th January 2018 – Silver Birch Class Assembly, 10.20am (parents welcome)

Monday 29th January 2018 – New Baby Worship, 10.20am

Monday 5th February 2018 – Chestnut Class Assembly, 10.20am (parents welcome)

Wednesday 7th February 2018 – **Drop-Ins** at 3pm to see children's work

Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2018 = **Half Term**

Monday 19th February 2018 - **INSET Day, school closed**

Tuesday 27th February 2018 – Indian Story Teller in Year 1

Thursday 1st March 2018 – World Book Day, **Fancy Dress**

Monday 5th March 2018 – Maple Class Assembly, 10.20am (parents welcome)

Tuesday 13th March 2018 – Rainbow Theatre in Year 2 for Great Fire of London

Thursday 15th March 2018 – Big Sing at the Arena (Year 2 only)

Thursday 15th March 2018 – Year 1 to Amberley Museum

Friday 16th March 2018 – Year 2 to Chichester Cathedral

Friday 16th March 2018 – Mid Year Pupil Reports sent home

Tuesday 20th March 2018 – **Parent Consultation Evening**, 3.15pm – 6.00pm

Thursday 22nd March 2018 - **Parent Consultation Evening**, 3.15pm – 6.00pm

Friday 23rd March 2018 – Sport Relief Day

Tuesday 27th March 2018 – Bollywood Dancer in Year 1

Wednesday 28th March 2018 – Easter Egg Hunt, 3,00pm

Thursday 29th March 2018 - **End of Term**

