



# Tydd St Mary Church of England School

# Newsletter



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Tydd Primary

Jeremiah 29:11 *'For I know the plans I have for you' declares the Lord. 'Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'*

### Welcome back!

Welcome back to the new academic year. Thank you all for the very prompt start to the school day, the earlier start is maximising learning time. A very warm welcome to those parents of children who joined Toucans class and to all other children new to our school. It is great to see that all of the children have settled in very quickly; and a happy, hardworking atmosphere is evident in every classroom. Newsletters will again come out on the first Monday of every month this year, in the hope that communication remains good.

### Information needed

At the start of every year we ask you to complete our form providing us with your contact details and medical information for your child so that we can update records. This form is attached to the email too and we would appreciate it if it could be returned **as soon as possible** please in case we do need to contact you in an emergency. By providing email addresses we can reduce letters needing to be sent out- thank you.

### First Day Calling

In order to comply with safeguarding procedures, we will continue to operate a 'first day call' when children are absent. If your child is absent from school we would appreciate if you could telephone and let us know **before 9:30 a.m.** (close of register) Thank you in advance for your help with this.

### After school Clubs

It is our intention to run a range of

after school clubs again this year. Our priority initially has to be settling the children back into school. We will contact you shortly to outline our after-school club offer (which we hope to begin on 27<sup>th</sup> September)

### Star of the Week Assemblies

These will continue on Friday starting on **16<sup>th</sup> September** at 2:45 and all parents, grandparents etc are more than welcome to join us. The children really look forward to seeing you and sharing their achievements with the people who mean the most to them.



### School Uniform

It is lovely to see the children looking so smart in their new uniform (hopefully it is all named?!). Please do try to ensure that, as well as their clothing (grey trousers/skirts and blue jumpers/cardigans) meeting school policy, the children's footwear and PE kit is appropriate for school. We do have a stock of nearly new uniform which is free to anyone who might need it- please just let us know.

### School Photographer

The school photographer will be coming in to take individual and family photographs on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 9am. We do hope to be able to offer family photos this year but will update you regarding this nearer the time.

### Harvest Festival

Please join us for our annual Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 11:00 a.m. The children will be completely running the service in the absence of a local vicar. This year we have decided that all donations of produce will be

taken to our local food bank so we would ask for **tins, packets etc rather than fresh produce** on this occasion- thank you!

### Every school day matters!

Term dates are listed below for the year ahead. The current Government guidelines now make it clear that Headteachers are once again instructed that they **may not grant any leave of absence unless there are exceptional circumstances**. As a result, all holiday requests will be unauthorised unless exceptional circumstances can be given. Attendance penalty notices (fines) are issued to anyone who takes a three day break or more within any given six week period. Any child with attendance of less than 90% will be regarded as a persistent absentee and external agencies may become involved. School will continue to share your child's attendance data will be shared with you each term.

### New faces, new roles

We welcome Mrs Holly Rodgers who joins our staff team working as an ELSA support worker. Mr Harry Walsh is also joining us to support PE teaching throughout the school. It really is lovely to have them both joining us at TSM.

### Dates:

21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	End of Term 1
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Term 2 begins
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Term 2
4 <sup>th</sup> Jan (Weds)	Term 3 begins
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	End of Term 3
20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Term 4 begins
31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	End of Term 4
18 <sup>th</sup> April (Tues)	Term 5 begins
26 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Term
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Term 6 begins
21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of School Year