



# Tydd St Mary Church of England School

## Newsletter



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Tydd Primary

**September 2023**

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.

A very warm welcome to those parents of children who joined Toucan 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 each term, 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 has already been sent out to parents at the end of last term. We would appreciate it if it could be returned **as soon as possible**, if you have not already done so, 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 25<sup>th</sup> September)

### Star of the Week Assemblies

These will continue on Friday starting on **15<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.

### Harvest Festival

Please join us for our annual Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 15<sup>th</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!

### School Photographer

The school photographer will be coming in to take individual and family photographs on Tuesday 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.

### Parents in Class

Will run again this year starting week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> September. More info will follow shortly.

### 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 evidenced. 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.

### Dates:

15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival 11 at St Mary's
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	End of Term 1
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct (Tues)	Term 2 begins
14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Photographer in
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Term 2
3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan (Weds)	Term 3 begins
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	End of Term 3
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Term 4 begins
28 <sup>th</sup> Mar	End of Term 4
16 <sup>th</sup> April (Tues)	Term 5 begins
24 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Term 5
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Term 6 begins
19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of School Year