



Twineham CofE School

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Dear Parents,

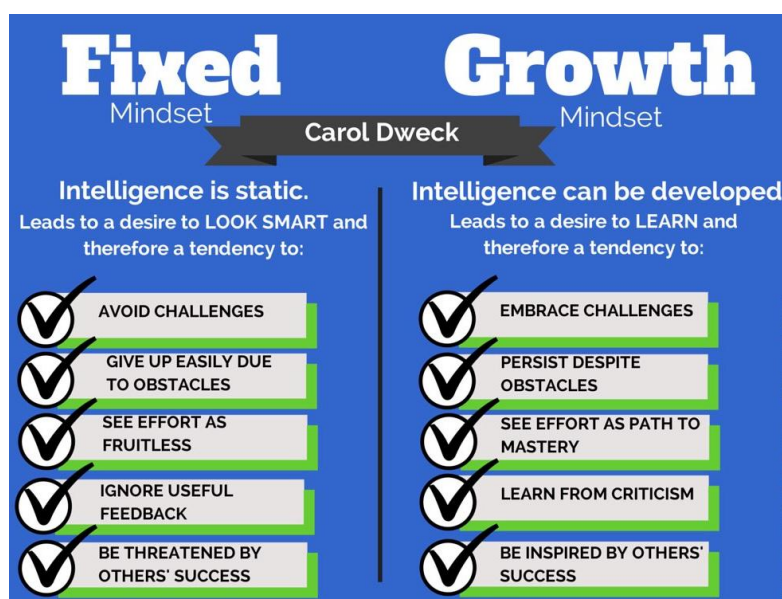
A warm welcome back - we are delighted to see the children in school today in their new year groups, looking older and wiser and ready for an exciting term of learning!

Growth Mindset

We are embedding the strengths of 'Growth Mindset' at Twineham as a school priority this year. There are many exciting resources available regarding Growth Mindset and this is a summary of the key message:

In a **fixed mindset**, people believe their basic qualities, like intelligence or talent, are simply fixed traits. They spend time documenting their intelligence or talents instead of developing them. They also believe that talent alone creates success—without effort.

In a **growth mindset**, people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through **dedication** and **hard work**—brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a **love of learning** and **resilience** to boost progress and achievement.



We will involve parents in our journey as we develop our growth mindset approach at school.

School uniform sale: Thursday 7th September 2017 from 3pm

Mrs King and Mrs Mansell will kindly be selling 2nd school uniform after school this Thursday.



Ukulele Lessons (Years 2, 3, 4 and 5)

Last term we enjoyed some fantastic Ukulele sessions at lunchtime. However numbers were sometimes too big for effective learning; 15+ ukuleles require a lot of tuning throughout the session and I couldn't give quality time to help children. I am keen to build on the success of our lunch club but we need to run smaller groups to provide good quality lessons. This will involve a small charge (£15) to cover tuition materials and ukuleles which children can borrow on loan to practise at home.



Please see the booking form attached if you would like to sign your child up for lessons this term. Ukulele lessons will initially be open to pupils in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 but there may be future space for other year groups if pupils are interested.



Sal's Shoes

Thank you for the wonderful shoe donations for this special charity. We aim to deliver the shoes to the Sal's Shoes depot in Redhill next week. If you have any other unwanted footwear please send all shoes in **by Wednesday 13th September.**

Diary dates

We have planned dates in advance for parent consultations and Christmas performances to give you as much notice as possible. Children in Buttercups (Years R and 1) and Poppy (Years 2 and 3) will be preparing and performing a Christmas Concert. Pupils in Willow (Years 4 and 5) and Oakwood (Year 6) are putting on a Christmas Show with 2 performances.

Thursday 7 th September	3pm Second hand school uniform sale
Thursday 7 th September	New pupils start in Reception
Tuesday 19 th September	'Outside the Circle' (Anti-bullying show and workshops for children)
Wednesday 20 th September	3pm – 3:30pm Open afternoon for parents to view the classrooms
Thursday 12 th October	9am Harvest Assembly in Church – everybody welcome
Wednesday 18 th October	11am '6 weeks in' meeting for EYFS parents
Monday 23 rd October	Half-term
Monday 30 th October	School closed for INSET
Wednesday 8 th November	Parent consultations 5.30pm - 7.30pm
Thursday 9 th November	Parent consultations 2pm-5pm
Friday 1 st December	Decorations Day
Wednesday 13 th December	2pm Willow and Oakwood Christmas Show: afternoon performance to parents
Thursday 14 th December	2:30pm Buttercups and Poppy Christmas Concert: performance to parents
Thursday 14 th December	6pm Willow and Oakwood Christmas Show: evening performance to parents
Monday 18 th December	1pm Christmas Parties at school
Tuesday 19 th December	9am Christmas Service in Church – everybody welcome
Tuesday 19 th December	Last day of term for pupils
Wednesday 20 th December	School closed for INSET

Kind regards,
Scott Reece