

Dear Parents

During this settled weather it has been lovely to use the field during break times and the children have also enjoyed using the outdoor environment to look for mini beasts and other exciting things. We are looking forward to another busy term. Do book the dates in your diaries now.

Inset days

Just to remind you we have one more Inset day remaining this academic year on Monday 15th June.

The Governors have also set the Inset days for 2015-16. They are as follows:

Thursday September 3rd, Friday September 4th, Monday 2nd November, Monday 22nd February and Monday 13th June.

Outdoor environment week

The week beginning 22nd June will be the start of our Outdoor environment week. The children will be undertaking many different activities using our lovely grounds. Let us hope the weather will be kind to us. You are very welcome to come in and look at our nature gallery on 26th June between 2.30pm and 3.30pm.

Ivy Class General Election

Year 5's and 6's in Ivy Class are learning about politics: concentrating on David Cameron, the leader of the Conservatives, Ed Milliband, in charge of the Labour party, also Nick Clegg, the boss of the Liberal Democrats, as well as considering the influence of the other parties.

We've split into 6 groups and have made progress by thinking of our own policies, and then writing our own manifestos, based on the professional speeches. Then, at the same time as the General Election on May 7th, we will be presenting our manifestos in a school assembly. After that, pupils will be asked to vote, just like the real election and we will reveal the result in a second assembly. We have not only been learning about the main parties, we have also learned what happens behind the scenes, and how laws are formed. We've also thought about geography, data and graphs and the history of the House of Commons and also the House of Lords.

It's been lots of fun and we can't wait until the real election!

By Dominic Platt

Football tournament Thursday 26th March

Twineham Football Team: Bear (Captain), Finn, Pete, Dom, Evie, William, Jack, Archie, Ethan Hardaway

On the last day of the Spring Term Twineham School football team played at St Pauls football tournament as part of Sainsbury's School Games. Twineham's young, inexperienced team were up against some good Yr. 5/6 footballing sides and did extremely well in their first match to draw 0-0. Bear (Captain) put in an impressive goal keeping display throughout, especially against the eventual winners of the whole tournament; although losing, the team remained positive to the end of the match. Finn, Pete and Dom worked tirelessly, holding their positions well in defence and midfield. Jack and Archie were determined in every match and Ethan H put in a fantastic man-marking display. Will and Evie

stuck to their task up front and were rewarded in the final play- off match with a goal a-piece, resulting in a brilliant final match win.

By William and Pete

Netball tournament

On Wednesday 15th April the Twineham netball team attended a tournament as part of Sainsbury's School Games. We were invited to go to the tournament because we had won our league. We were up against other netball teams from schools most of which were extremely large and some had multiple teams during this competitive yet sportsmanlike event.

Our team played using exceptional technique and method and supported each other throughout the championship. The coaches supplied the team with not only delicious biscuits and beverages, but with encouragement and assistance.

Twineham team, (consisting of Bear (the team captain), Evie T, (vice-captain), Harriet, Ava, Ella S, Jasmine, Holly, Rainy and Maudy) tried their hardest to compete in the most efficient way possible, therefore, they had undoubtedly earned their title of 3rd place out of all the schools. On behalf of the team we thank all who helped whether they are a team player, coach or simply a supporter.

Written by Rainy Jordan Hayes and Holly Brook Nash.

New parents!

The school are proud parents to 4 chicks that have hatched at school called Sqidge, Fluffy, Bob and Fluff. They are now being cared for by the Kilicks and the Holts until they are old enough to go outside. They will eventually live with the Holts.

Please look at the website for regular updates on how they are doing and the pictures.

PE kits

Please can I ask you to ensure that your child has the correct PE kit in school so they can fully participate in our PE sessions that are a statutory part of our curriculum. Please can you check that their plimsolls/trainers fit and are safe to wear. They also require a pair of shorts a t shirt and track suit bottoms/leggings. Thank you for your help with this.

School Council

The school council would like to thank everyone who made or bought cakes or who had a go on our tombola. We raised 63.00 that has been sent to Chestnut Tree House.

At a recent meeting we discussed our next fundraising activity and decided on a non- school uniform day where the children for a small donation, could come to school dressed in as much of their team's colour as possible. The children would like to raise money to buy new books for the school library. This will take place on Friday 8th May.

Message from Mrs Swift

Sunday 3rd May 2015 - WELCOME SERVICE & SUNDAY SCHOOL, Christ Church, Sayers Common.

We invite you all to our first Welcome Service with Sunday School designed specifically for

young families and people not familiar with church. The service is easy to follow, uplifting and good for the soul. The Sunday School is run in the church hall and the session includes stories, fun activities and refreshments. Sunday School is run by our Safeguarding Officer, Julie Geer and team of assistants, all are CRB checked and first aid trained, your child/rens safety and wellbeing is our first priority at all times.

You are most welcome to come along and enjoy some time with family, friends and neighbours, catch up with a cup of tea/coffee and nibbles after the service and go home feeling 'light of foot and happy in heart'.

Sunday 24th May 2015 - CELEBRATION WEEKEND, Christ Church, Sayers Common. We have invited the 'Point' to our celebration weekend and they will take a service on 24th May at 11.00 am. The Point services are completely different to the traditional services in our Parish. This service is for young families and the young at heart! It is loud, fun, fast and young person orientated. We are looking for any children who would like to be included in singing a song at the service, they will be accompanied by a Live band, drums, electric guitars etc. - not for the faint hearted (I will be in the school teaching the children the song, please see the school secretary for more details).

You will be greeted with Welcome drinks and food and the Priest Will Kemp and the Point crew welcome the opportunity to meet you and talk with you before the service starts at 11.30 am. If the traditional form of worship doesn't inspire you COME AND TRY THIS OUT!!

Dates for the Summer term

8th May Non-School uniform

15th May School Council Film Night

21st May 2.45pm-3.45pm- open afternoon to share with your children what they have been learning this half term

Week beginning 22nd June- outdoor environment week

30th June – 6.30pm talk by PC Broad on Internet safety and awareness and Miss Meeson will talk about our new Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) which will allow children to access information from home and will be used as a way to deliver learning materials to students via the web.

8th July pm- children will visit new class

20th July- 2.45pm-3.45pm- open afternoon to share with your children what they have been learning this term

22nd July at 2.00pm- Y6 leaver's service