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Everyone is a gift and everyone is gifted

Dear Parents,

Welcome back

We hope you enjoyed some sunshine last week. This week we welcomed back our reading dogs, Bella and Poppy, with their owner Margaret.

Each week a group of children from Year 2 upwards will read to our canine friends and Margaret. Bella and Poppy enjoy listening to stories and our pupils enjoy a nice well-being boost, in addition to advancing our reading skills!





Astra Recycling

Twineham will soon host a clothing bank to help with recycling and fundraising for the school. Our Rockinghorse appeals have been very successful and can continue to raise money through donations of toys, clothes and bric-a-brac.

The new clothing bank will be here every day of the year so you can recycle clothes, shoes, handbags, belts, ties, bedclothes and towels whenever you wish, without needing to wait for termly collections.

The team at Astra have suggested that we give our bank a name - we will ask the children for suggestions!

https://www.astrarecycling.co.uk/









Equality Objectives

At Twineham Church of England School, we believe that everyone is a gift and everyone is gifted. We are committed to promoting equality and diversity in all of our work.

We review our Equality Objectives every year. These priority areas support our aim to be pro-active in **challenging discrimination** and **promoting the celebration of differences**.

Equality Objectives 2021-22:

- To explore, understand and celebrate diversity through our curriculum and collective worship.
- To maintain our positive school environment to be accessible, welcoming and inclusive for all.
- To challenge disrespect or bullying regarding the protected characteristics of age, gender reassignment, marriage, pregnancy, disability, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation.
- To **develop understanding of equality and equity** through Relationships and Health Education.
- To close gaps in achievement between all groups of pupils, especially children eligible for free-school meals, pupils with special educational needs and disabilities and looked after children.

Last updated: Summer 2021

Also available to view on our website at: <u>https://twineham.eschools.co.uk/website/equality_objectives/448835</u>

Please contact me if you wish to discuss our equality objectives or any issues relating to equal opportunities at our school.

FOTS Update

FOTS have been busy meeting to discuss fundraising this term within current restrictions. We will soon announce some exciting plans for the summer – watch this space!

Thank you to parents and FOTS for paying £4000 to fund our successful Outdoor Learning programme with Mrs Cotton for the whole school. Your help is crucial to ensure we can offer exciting enrichment experiences at school, despite enduring some challenging times for school finances.

Diary Dates

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Wednesday 23 rd June	Hedgehog Rescue workshops at school
Friday 9 th July	School closed for INSET
Friday 16 th July	'Day of Sport' Celebration
Friday 23 rd July	Last day of school year
Thursday 2 nd September	School closed for INSET
Friday 3 rd September	School closed for INSET
Monday 6 th September	1 st day of Autumn Term 2021 for pupils in Years 1 - 6
Monday 25 th October	Half-term break
Monday 1 st November	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 2 nd November	Back to school for 2 nd half of Autumn Term
Friday 17 th December	Last day of school before Christmas Holidays
Monday 3 rd January 2022	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 4 th January 2022	1 st day of Spring Term
Monday 21 st February 2022	Half-term break
Monday 6 th June 2022	School closed for INSET
Friday 8 th July 2022	School closed for INSET

Kind regards,

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Scott Reece, Headteacher