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Lovely to see you all

It has been lovely to see so many parents and carers come in for our Harvest sessions and open afternoons. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to spend some time in your child's class and share their work and learning experiences. We hope the Autumn Term report cards were useful too alongside those visits in the lead up to your consultations.

School Lottery

To help raise funds for children in our schools for treats and extras, we have a school lottery. See below for details of how you could join.

We have 29 tickets currently rolling over in the lottery and have raised £411.60 so far this year. This is great, and we thank every person who has bought a ticket. If you sign up and start playing now you could win a play station 5 VR2 bundle....in time for Christmas!!

We have had 9 winners since the beginning of Term so whilst it isn't the Euromillions every little bit helps and of course the schools benefit, which mean the children will benefit in the long run.

Please do consider signing up for this very worthy cause if you are able to.



Here is the link to buy tickets

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/toftwood-infant-school?utm_campaign=WinaPS5VR2Bundle!&utm_source=ysl&utm_medium=Leaflet&utm_content=Hyperlink

Mornings

Just a reminder for everyone that the gates open at 8.40 am at both sites and close promptly at 8.55 am. Children arriving after this time have to be marked as late and need to be taken to the school office.

Junior children in the mornings can enter via the Infant gate and walk across the field.

Questions or Queries or Information

Please remember if you have any questions or queries you can contact us in the following ways:

- On the gate in the morning for a quick question or something to pass to the class teacher
- By emailing the office at either school
- By leaving a message on the answer phone if a child is absent. Please do not message absences on dojo as they may not be seen before the register closes.
- By do jo if you have a non-urgent message for the class staff and want to communicate something to them
- By phoning if it is something you want to discuss or you need to make sure someone knows something quickly.
- See the teacher at the end of the day if you have a quick query or question or a piece of information. Please do let them see all of the children safely to their adults before you speak to them.

If you have any questions about attendance or would like a little support, please contact us.

Parenting Support Sessions – Sleep on 7th December

We understand that parenting can be the most difficult job in the world!

On the 7th December the parent support session will be joined by Dr Teodora Gliga, Associate Professor from the School of Psychology at the University of East Anglia to attend 'virtually' to give a talk on **Sleep** - how important sleep is, developing routines, consequences to children if they do not get good quality sleep.

Teodora will deliver the session via the interactive screen in the hall and there will be opportunity to ask questions however, she can not advise on individual situations.

Please can you book through the infant school office 01362 692612. Parents of junior school children are welcome. If you have younger children, we are very sorry but they will not be able to attend. This is an adult only event.

Diary Dates

Here are the updated diary dates for this term, all correct at the time of sending the newsletter.

Autumn 2023 Date List				
Date	Infant School	Junior School		
Tue 14 th Nov		Year 4 and Year 6 Girls' football competition at goal for selected children.		
Tue 14 th Nov	Reception Diwali workshop for children only	/		
Fri 17 th Nov	Children In Need. Add items to your uniform or PE kit to be Spotacular! Face paint allowed. Suggested donation of £1 per child.			
Wed 22 nd Nov	9:15-11:15am Pre-School Activity Morning f children starting school in September 2024			
Thursday 23 rd Nov		Y6 WW2 visitor for children		
Friday 24 th Nov	Toftwood Local Walk for Y1			
Tue 28 th Nov		Flu Vaccination NHS team in school		
Wed 29 th Nov	Flu Vaccination NHS team in school			
Wed 6 th Nov	Y1 and 2 Gymnastics trip for selected children			
Thur 7 th Dec		2:30-3pm Year 6 Residential Information Session for parents/carers Main Hall at Juniors.		
Thur 7 th Dec	Parent Support Sessions 9.15 at the infants. All welcome but please contact the Infant office to let us know you are coming. This session will focus on sleep.			
Date	Infant School	Junior School		

Mon 11 th Dec		Year 4 Roman Day. Y4 to send out information.	
Tue 12 th Dec	9:15-11:15am Reception Christmas Activity Morning. 1 adult per child. No younger children please.		
Wed 13 th Dec	Federation Christmas Lunch. Children can bring festive headwear to wear at lunchtime if they wish. Booking link sent out to parents/carers. All to complete please.		
Wed 13 th Dec	Last day for the sugar collection		
Thur 14 th Dec		9:15am Year 5 Christmas Performance, Main Hall. 2 adults per child. No younger children please.	
		Year 5 Christmas Party (children only) Year 5 children can wear clothes suitable for a party all day on this day.	
Fri 15 th Dec	Reception Christmas Party (children only) Reception children can wear clothes suitable a party all day on this day.	9:15am Year 6 Christmas Performance, Main Hall. 2 adults per child. No younger children please.	
		Year 6 Christmas Party (children only) Year 6 children can wear clothes suitable for a party all day on this day.	
Mon 18 th Dec	9:15am Year 2 Christmas Performance, Main Hall. 2 adults per child. No younger children please.	10:45am Year 3 Christmas Performance, Main Hal adults per child. No younger children please.	
	Year 2 Christmas Party (children only) Year 2 children can wear clothes suitable for a party all day on this day.	Year 3 Christmas Party (children only) Year 3 children can wear clothes suitable for a party all day on this day.	
Tue 19 th Dec	9:15am Year 1 Christmas Performance, Main Hall. 2 adults per child. No younger children please. Year 1 Christmas Party (children only)	10:45am Year 4 Christmas Performance, Main Hall. 2 adults per child. No younger children please.	
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Wed 20 th Dec	Non uniform day. (No charge) Christmas Activity and Cinema Afternoon.		
	Last day of term. School closes for Christmas holiday at the end of the school day and reopens to children at 8:40am on Thursday 4 th January 2024.		