

# Tunstead Primary Newpage

## Strong Foundations; Bright Futures

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



We have had a very successful start to the new year. During the summer all of our classrooms were redecorated and the children are now benefitting from beautiful new class spaces.

Every child has started back with smiles and excitement ready to start learning and catch up with their friends! Tunstead has officially federated with St John's with effect from 1st October. Over the next few months we will be looking for ways for children and staff to work together to ensure every child achieves the very best while learning at Tunstead. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all the new children and families that have joined us and look forward to getting to know you all better. I would also like to thank all of our staff for their hard work, commitment and enthusiasm to ensure that all of the children have returned to Tunstead so smoothly. As always thank you for your support. If you ever wish to contact me please do send an email to [head@tunstead.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:head@tunstead.norfolk.sch.uk)

Regards Rebecca Quinn



### OAK CLASS

Oak Class have been very busy learning about dragons! We have made dragon wings, crafted castles, created dragon sock puppets and written our own dragon story books. We even reenacted the story of St George and the Dragon!! We have been looking for signs of autumn at Forest School. The children gathered acorns to plant, hopefully growing into Oak trees one day. We used a mallet to crack open the outer layer of the conkers and chestnuts.



### SYCAMORE CLASS

We have been learning about habitats and where mini beasts live. We learned all about micro habitats, and we collected materials so that we could build our own bug hotels! In literacy we have been writing sentences using conjunctions such as 'and' and 'because', focussing these sentences around the story of 'Where the Wild Things Are'. In maths we have been learning to write number sentences and comparing the answers with 'greater than' and 'less than' symbols.



### KEY DATES

- 21st October: Last day of term
- 22nd October: Reception open day
- 25th October: Clocks go back
- 2nd November: Back to school
- 9th November: School photos
- 11th November: Mufti day
- 13th November: Children in Need
- 18th November: Flu Vaccine



### CONIFER CLASS

Conifer Class have had a busy half term so far. In topic we have studied the Anglo-Saxons including making our own Saxon houses, using some wood work skills. We have also discovered where Saxons came from and what they would have eaten in a Saxon feast. In literacy we have been engrossed in the Anglo-Saxon myth of Beowulf creating our own heroes and monsters in order to write our own myth stories, and we have written our own true version of Goldilocks!



### BIRCH CLASS

Birch Class have been learning about the Romans, writing in the role of a character from Boudicca's revolt, showing how the Roman Empire might have effected different people. In numeracy we have been using counters and place grids to understand place value and also to explain what happens next when we exchange in column addition and subtraction. In literacy we have been writing about Pompeii. We have wrote about volcanoes and how they erupt.



### For Your Information

Please understand that we are trying to limit what comes into school. All work on google classroom can be submitted online by editing and submitting the assignments. We are hoping to run a webinar for those who are interested.

