



September 19th

# Tunstead Primary Newpage

## Strong Foundations: Bright Futures

### SCHOOL MESSAGE

What a wonderful week we've had here at Tunstead – despite the ups and downs of the unpredictable weather! The children have shown such positivity and enthusiasm, whether indoors or outdoors, and it has been lovely to see smiles and laughter shining through the rain and sunshine alike.

We've also been busy behind the scenes making plans for the coming weeks. We are delighted to share that we have some exciting visits lined up; Brundall Dentists will be visiting school next week to help the children learn about keeping their teeth healthy in a fun and interactive way and we are also looking forward to welcoming our local Reverend Liz from Tunstead Church, who will be popping in to spend some time talking with the children. This will be a lovely opportunity for the children to get to know her again ahead of our Christmas Carol Service in December.

As always, we kindly ask that children bring only healthy snacks for break times. Crisps and chocolate bars are not permitted at break, but can be included in packed lunches for lunchtime instead. Thank you for helping us promote healthy eating habits.

Don't forget to join our lovely, friendly PTA on Monday 29th September. They will be holding their AGM meeting in the hall after morning drop off. The PTA is much stronger when there are a whole host of people offering their ideas, enthusiasm and what time they can offer.

Wishing you all a restful weekend – let's hope for more sunshine next week!

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

#### September

- 23rd Dentist visit
- 29th Friend's AGM meeting straight after morning drop off
- 2pm RSE parent information session (TBC)

#### October

- 2nd Street Food lunch promotion
- 8th Best of British lunch promotion
- 13-14th Birch level 2 Bikeability
- 14th & 15th New reception 2026 open mornings. Slots available between 9 and 11am.
- 17th Last Dance Club session
- 22nd Cluster Football tournament at St John's
- Halloween Disco
- 23rd Reception 2026 Stay and Play Forest School session
- 24th Last day of term

### Class News and Attendance

#### SYCAMORE

**97.04%**

#### BIRCH

**98.94%**

#### CONIFER

**90.11%**

Sycamore have begun learning about the purpose of maps and how to navigate using the compass symbols this week as well as naming parts of the human body.

Conifer class have enjoyed making contrasting art using light and dark with chalk and charcoal, drawing still life pears.

Birch class may be able to tell you something about the "Polar Night" and "Midnight Sun" if you ask them! They will be watching out for the hours of darkness becoming longer as winter approaches but we are hoping not to experience 24 hours of darkness as they do in parts of the Arctic Circle.

# Celebrating Success

## Headteacher's Award

**Kayden** for demonstrating all the school values- some great and reflective contributions in all his lessons.



## Class Gold Book Award Winners

**Sycamore - Anthony** for his fantastic phonics! What super blending of CVC words

**Conifer - Oliver** for having high expectations of himself and his work

**Birch - Stanley** has shown an active interest in our Geography lessons and has been asking lots of relevant questions

## House Points

1st -	<b>443 Poppy</b>
2nd -	<b>365 Buttercup</b>
3rd -	<b>307 Bluebell</b>
3rd -	<b>292 Honeysuckle</b>



## School Council

Well done to everyone who has submitted speeches, they were all of a very high standard!

We are pleased to announce that our new school council is:-

**Isla, Oscar D, Eva-Rose, Eben, Max and Esther**

A huge well done to you all!

## Forest School



We have had a busy week at Forest school. It was exciting to find out how our tie dye fabrics had worked. The hammer and nails were out to have a go. We talked about the 'blood bubble' to keep us safe.

Forest School club enjoyed cooking various egg recipes. French toast was the favourite. Yummy!



## Tunstead Friends

Exciting times ahead for the Friends. We would love for some more people to join us in our fundraising efforts. If you are new to school the Friends is a small group mainly made up of parents. Come and find out what we get up to and see if it's for you. Our AGM is on Monday 29th September at 8.45am, everyone welcome. This year the friends are looking for a new chair as under the constitution a chair can only serve for three years. I have been chair for three years and it has been one of the most rewarding experiences I've ever had but it's time for someone new to take the lead. We hold a disco every term which is not a fundraiser but the children love them. We hold one fundraising event a term. The autumn term is normally our busiest. With a Halloween disco and pumpkin competition before half term. Leading up to Christmas we have the Christmas shop in school and then a visit from Santa alongside the Christmas fayre. Becoming a Friend is a great way to meet new people and support the school. The money we raise pays for a trip to the panto for every child, leavers hoodies, book bags, play equipment and much more. We aim to enrich the children's school experience in any way the school feels is needed. We have a fantastic relationship with the staff in school and they always listen and support anything we want to try. We have a group of volunteers who are not Friends but help as and when they can. Just ask one of the Friends how to join this group. Seeing you on 29th!

## After School Club

SAVE THE DATES we are excited to advise that we will be running two movie nights at after school on Monday 10th of November and on Monday 8th of December The children can bring their PJs and a pillow or bean bag to sit on.

The films will be suitable for all ages, a bag of popcorn will be provided to each child and at the interval a soft drink and a burger in a bun or hot dog will be included in the price of £11.50 per child. Please contact the school office to reserve your space, more details of the films will follow closer to the date. The movie night will end at 5:45pm.