



# Tunstead Primary Newpage

## Strong Foundations: Bright Futures

### SCHOOL MESSAGE

At Tunstead Primary School, we always spend time reflecting on the themes of difference, change and acceptance. These are such important values for children to understand as they grow and develop into thoughtful young people. We encourage the children to approach change with kindness, grace and an open mind, whilst celebrating the differences that make each of us unique- please continue this insightful conversations at home. Here's a question to explore with your child over the weekend: "How can we show kindness and understanding towards people whose lives, opinions or experiences may be different from our own?"

A special mention must go to all of our children for the welcoming and friendly manner they show when I am giving tours to prospective families visiting our lovely village school. It makes us incredibly proud to see how positively they represent both themselves and our school community.

Cricket practice has been in full swing this week, with great enthusiasm shown by all involved! The team will be announced next week and we are delighted that Mrs Shipley will be accompanying the children to the competition.

All SATs preparations are now complete and we wish our Year 6 children a restful weekend so they can approach next week's tests with fresh eyes and confidence. We know they will all try their very best, which is all we could ever ask.

Finally, an enormous thank you to Mrs Payne for working so hard with selected children to create a beautiful artistic display for the local church's Flower Festival this weekend, celebrating its 700th birthday. Please make the effort to pop along and enjoy the decorated church.

And lastly... a very Happy 100th Birthday to Sir David Attenborough today! What an amazing array of costumes and animals we have had in school today in celebration!

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**May**

- 8-10th** St Mary's Church Tunstead 'Walking Through Time' free event
- 11th-14th** Yr 6 SAT's
- 12th** Sycamore parents invited for class sewing 1:15-3:15pm
- 15th** Lolly sale after school
- 17th** St John's Colour Run
- 19th** Birch Hautbois Residential parent meeting 2:45pm
- 20th** Cluster Cricket at Barton  
Birch cake sale after school
- 21st** Sports Lunch meal promo
- 22nd** Lolly sale  
Last day of term!

**June**

- 1st** Back to school

### Class News and Attendance

**SYCAMORE**

**96.9%**

Sycamore have been discussing people that are special to them in PSHE, and talking about people who help us as part of this. We learnt that a person who drives an ambulance is called a paramedic.

**CONIFER**

**96.2%**

Conifer have been learning about money in Maths. We have been exploring partitioning money into pounds and pence as well as estimating to the nearest pound. The children have also enjoyed learning about the key features of a wishing tale and making links to previous stories that they've read.

**BIRCH**

**94.2%**

In Maths, Birch class have enjoyed creating 3D shapes from their nets and making a display.

## Celebrating Success

### Headteacher's Award

**Albie** and **Iris** for their brilliant resilience and acceptance of changes to routines this week



### Class Gold Book Award Winners

**Sycamore - Rowan** for his brilliant project book about space!

**Conifer - Robin** for giving maximum effort in English this week.

**Birch - Grace** for creating a beautifully designed printing tile based on William Morris designs.

### House Points

1st **4276 Poppy**

2nd **3222 Honeysuckle**

3rd **2739 Buttercup**

4th **2510 Bluebell**



## Forest School



We have been continuing our geography topic of migration at Forest School. We learned that so many animals and birds migrate: willow warbler, turtles, sharks, swallows etc. We talked about the dangers involved in migration and set up a blind fold test around the trees.

We found an Oak Tree sapling amongst the raspberries so moved it to a safe place to grow.

## 700 Years "Walking Through Time" at St. Mary's Church, Tunstead

Join us to launch our celebration of 700 years of this beautiful building

**8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**10am - 4pm**

Flower Festival open all weekend

Teas & Cakes on Friday 8<sup>th</sup>

Strawberry Teas on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> with music from the Salvation Army Band 2-3pm

Teas, Cakes & Songs of Praise Service at 3pm on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

Free entry on all days

All Welcome.

Find us on Church Lane, Tunstead, NR12 8HU

