



Welcome Back

Welcome back following the Easter holiday – I hope all our children and families had a very enjoyable break.

The end of last term was busy, with a very successful Caythorpe residential for Year 6 pupils. As always, it was great to see the children in a different environment; challenging themselves, building their teamwork and leadership skills and self-confidence. Well done to all of them – there were numerous incidences of children overcoming their fears and achieving something that they thought wouldn't be possible. Their behaviour and conduct over the 3 days was fantastic and they were all a credit to our school. I would like to also say a huge thank you to the staff who went to Caythorpe, for their time, effort, energy and commitment: Mr Merrill, Miss Collins, Mrs Potts, Mrs Potter, Mrs Annison, Mr Garrod, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Reid, Mrs Hart and Mrs Wooley.

Comic Relief took place on Friday March 15th with all staff and children getting involved by wearing something red and singing and dancing in their classrooms! Thanks to everyone who took part and donated; we raised a fantastic £388.10

We had another very successful cake concert before Easter. As always, I was incredibly impressed by the skill and confidence of all our children who played in the concert. Huge thanks to Mrs Penwill for organising the event and to the PTFA for selling cakes and drinks. This raised over £100 for the PTFA. Many thanks to those of you who attended.

As always there is lots going on this term. Year 3 started off this week with a World War 2 themed day, to launch their latest topic; activities included 'making do and mending', ration-book cooking and country dancing! The Y3 children will also be having an evacuees' day on the North Norfolk Railway next month and Year 4 are looking forward to a trip to Norwich Castle Museum in June. Year 5 enjoyed their visit to Taverham Mill at the end of last term, and will be going to How Hill in July. Year 6 are busy preparing for SATs, which take place in the week beginning May 13th.

I am pleased to welcome Miss Woodcock to our staff team; Jo has taken up the position of MSA/Cleaner and started with us at the beginning of this term. Congratulations also to Mrs Potter and Mr Loughlin who are our new joint Maths Subject Leaders.

Finally, Mrs Wilson and I had the pleasure of seeing Mr Stanley and his wife recently. Despite the obvious challenges they are going through, they are still doing their best to stay as positive as they can and spend as much time as possible with family and friends. They even managed to have a short break with their family to Kent where they stayed in a cottage in the grounds of Dover Castle.

Paul Henman

Acting Headteacher

PTFA NEWS

Summer BBQ and Raffle

It's not long now until the Summer BBQ on Thursday 23rd May. Gates open at 4.30pm. You can find all the details on the poster attached at the end of this newsletter. As always, we will be having a raffle. Tickets will be sent home next week. Please return your money and stubs as soon as you can to the school office. If you do not wish to buy the tickets, then please return them to school so that we can give them to any families who have requested more books. The top prize this year is £100 cash! A full list of prizes will be made available soon.

Spree

We will be selling Spree books again this year. They will be coming home in the next week or so. This year, for every 2019/2020 spree book ordered, you will receive a free 2018/2019 book which is valid until October this year. Once payment has been made, you will receive 3 key fobs to use with your books. Please return any unwanted books to school as soon as possible.

Dates for your diary

Summer BBQ - Thursday 23rd May

Year 3 & 4 Bingo and Chips - Thursday 20th June

Year 5 & 6 Bingo and Chips - Thursday 27th June

Year 3,4 & 5 Summer Disco and Year 6 leavers BBQ - Tuesday 23rd July

Many thanks,

PTFA

CROSS-COUNTRY

The end of another fantastic season

As the weather gets more pleasant and the sun begins to shine, our cross-country club naturally hang their trainers up for another year. After a super season of running, all events and cross-country fixtures have been completed and our runners have had an abundance of successes. This has included many runners competing at an inter-school level for the first time and the successful combining of the Year 3 running club and the Year 4, 5 & 6 cross-country club on several occasions. We have tried to create an inclusive culture in the running clubs where anybody can come along and enjoy exercise while making new friends and that has never felt truer than this year. When it comes to results, our boys' and girls' teams performed superbly across the 6 league races. The boys came 3rd overall, with Logan and Dylan performing consistently well to gain 1st and 6th places respectively. The girls worked hard for an overall position of 7th with Aaliyah earning an impressive 8th. Our school also had great success at an invitational event held at Langley at Taverham Hall with runners from Years 4, 5 and 6 racing against independent schools. Logan achieved another gold medal and our Year 4 boys earned the 1st place shield for their age group. Well done to all of our competitive runners and club members and thank you parents for your ongoing support.



Football News - Year 5

The Year 5 boy's football team had a busy second half to their season. An excellent performance against a spirited St. Williams team saw them emerge with a 0-2 victory and a place in the semi-finals of the cup. Unfortunately, our dreams of lifting the trophy were ended by a very accomplished team from Avenue Junior but not before the boys had given a really excellent account of themselves, particularly after enduring a period of immense pressure in the second half of the game which eventually finished 1-3. That same week we took a much-changed team to Firside where lots of the boys played their first match for the school. A tightly contested match finally ended with a 0-1 victory for Taverham and the team firmly back to winning ways. Our season concluded with a trip to the UEA Sportspark for our annual Year 5 tournament. In bright but blustery conditions the boys once again played with great enthusiasm and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to play against the best teams in Norwich at such a great venue (not to mention in school time!). No single team dominated the tournament but, unable to lift the trophy themselves, our Taverham team could at least return with their heads held high and a 1-0 victory over local rivals, Drayton. I would just like to thank the boys for their effort throughout the season as well as the parents for their support and encouragement from the touchline and finally to Mr Hall for helping with transport and refereeing matches.



Help with readers please!

Children learning to read is probably the most important part of their educational development. Whilst many of our children read regularly at home, a significant minority don't and it is impossible for our staff to listen to these children read as often as they need. Therefore we urge all parents to take the time to listen to their child(ren) reading their book five times a week. Also, we are looking for adult volunteers who would be willing to come in to school and listen to children. If you would be willing to do this (or know someone or would), please contact the school office (office@taverhamjunior.norfolk.sch.uk) with details of days/times you would be available. Many thanks in advance for your help.



Our PTFA needs you!

Would you be willing to join our fantastic PTFA? We are losing five of our members at the end of this year and therefore need some additional people to help organise all the amazing events that happen across the year that raise so much money for our school. Over the past few years, the PTFA have raised enough money to subsidise travel costs for trips, purchase the school minibus and buy the new play equipment for the school field. Without additional volunteers, this vital fundraising wouldn't be able to continue. If you are interested in joining or just want to find out more, please contact the school office.



Spring/Summer Primary Menu 2019

Menu Change – Tuesday 7th May

Please note due to the preparation requirements for the menu on Tuesday Week 3 and the fact there's a Bank Holiday on Monday 6th May, we have had to make an adjustment and swap the Tuesday menu with the Monday menu for Tuesday 7th May.

Please see below menu:

Tuesday 7th May

Margherita Pizza with Herby Diced Potatoes

Or

***Vegetarian Bean Chilli with Steamed Rice
served with Mixed Salad and Coleslaw***

Flapjack with Apple Wedges

***The menu will then run as advertised from
Wednesday 8th May (Sausages with Yorkshire
Pudding / Vegemince Pasty).***

***We do apologise for any
inconvenience caused.***



Year 6 Boys Football

The Year 6 boys football team have had an incredibly successful year. After finishing top of their autumn league, they were placed into the top league for the spring term and showed they were still in with a chance of finishing in top spot with a game to go. However, the last game was a tense affair and with a few players out a 2-1 loss meant a mid-table finish. The boys also managed to get to the Cubitt Cup final after a great run with some brilliant performances. The cup final, like so many finals they have played this year, was against Firside Junior School. With the weather and conditions not suiting our style of play, they battled hard but unfortunately lost. Every boy that has played for the Year 6 team this year has shown skill, determination and they have been a credit to the school.

Netball Report

Last term was the first time we have run a school netball club and if it is always going to be as enjoyable as this group have been then long may it continue. The girls have been committed, determined and enthusiastic and this showed when we took them all to Taverham High School for a friendly match against their year 7 team. Although as a team they didn't manage to win we couldn't have been more proud of them. The high school was so impressed with their attitude and ability that they have invited us back for another game before the end of the school year. It was a thoroughly enjoyable term, thank you girls.

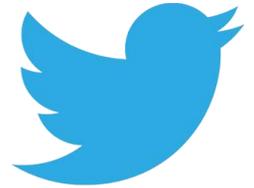
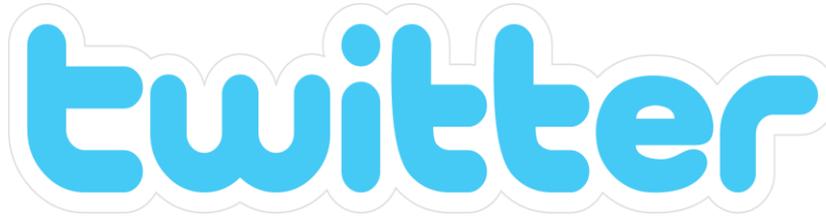
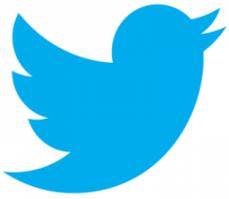


Girl's Football

The Year 6 Girls Football Team were set for a tough second half of the season. They first set off to play St Williams away, this was a very difficult game but the girls fought hard and although they were losing they managed one of the best goals I have ever seen with Mia (our Goalie) scoring from her goal line! The game finished 3-1 to St Williams. The next game saw us away again but this time against Drayton. Another tough game with the girls fighting for the win. This time the girls came out on top with a convincing win of 2-0. The last game saw us finally at home against Firside. We had previously lost to Firside in the league but knew that we had the determination, skill and team spirit to beat them this time. With Scarlett back from injury the girls were confident from the beginning and within the first few minutes she had managed to get the first goal. It was amazing to see everything they had worked so hard for come together in their last game, with Scarlett getting a second and Aaliyah also adding to the collection, the final score was 3-0 to us. We are still waiting to hear where we have finished in that league but to us they are winners and we have thoroughly enjoyed coaching such a mature, enthusiastic and entertaining group of girls.



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Additional Support in School

From time to time, many children at Taverham Junior School will receive additional support either in class or as an intervention. This support may be for reading, writing or maths, but it also could be to address social, emotional or communication needs. For some children, this support will stop after a short period, when the particular need is addressed. Other children will need to continue with additional support for a longer period, and at different times in their school life they may have a special educational need. The 2014 Code of Practice defines Special Educational Need as follows:

'A child or young person has SEN if he or she has a learning difficulty or disability which calls for special educational provision to be made for them. A child of compulsory school age or a young person has a learning difficulty or disability if he or she:

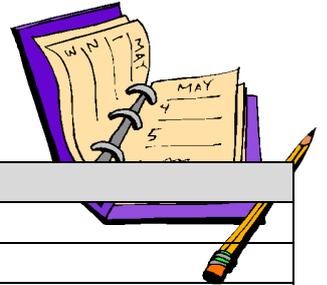
- **Has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of others of the same age.**
OR
- **Has a disability which prevents or hinders them from making use of educational facilities of a kind generally provided for others of the same age in mainstream schools and mainstream post-16 institutions.'**

We will already have discussed with you if we feel that your child meets the criteria for having a special educational need, and your child will have been placed on the Special Needs Record. This means that they will have an individual Learning Support Plan and their progress will be monitored by Mrs Wilson, as well as the class teacher. These plans will be reviewed at the next Parent Teacher meetings. The Special Needs Record is very fluid, and children can move off and on it depending on their particular needs.

If you have any concerns about support that your child is receiving, please speak to the class teacher in the first instance. You can also find more information about provision for children with Special Educational Needs, including contact details for our SENCO, Mrs Wilson, on our website

<http://taverhamjunior.norfolk.sch.uk/policies-and-documents/send-local-offer/>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



May	
Weds 8th	Learning reviews (3-6:30pm)
w/b Mon 13th	SATs week
Mon 13th	Year 3 Poppyline trip (3P & 3N)
Tue 14th	Year 3 Poppyline trip (3L & 3WM)
Wed 15th	Carrow Road football tournament – Y6
Thurs 16th	Learning reviews and Yr 6 open evening (4-8pm)
Mon 20 th	Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket tournament
Thurs 23rd	PTFA BBQ (4:30-7:30pm)
Fri 24th	End of half-term
June	
Mon 3rd	Start of half-term for staff and children
Thurs 6th	Year 4 visit to Norwich Castle
Fri 7th	Formula Goblin race day - Year 6 team (Scottow Enterprise Park)
Wed 12th	Class photos
Wed 12th	Summer concert (6pm)
Thurs 13th	Summer concert (9:15am)
Thurs 20th	Bingo and Chips - Year 3/4
Fri 21st	Music showcase to Yr 2/Yr 3 children (new time of 10:30am)
Tues 25th	Yr 2/Yr 3 multi-sports event
Wed 26th	Year 3 to Norfolk show
Weds 26th	New Yr 3 parents meeting (6-8pm)
Thurs 27th	Bingo and Chips – Year 5/6
Thurs 27th	Yr 3/Yr 4 sports day
Fri 28th	Yr 5/Yr 6 sports day
July	
Fri 5th	Transfer Day
Fri 5th	Transfer Day
Thurs 11 th	Year 5 How Hill visit
Friday 12th	Year 5 How Hill visit
Mon 15th	End of year reports sent out to parents
Tues 16th	Yr 6 show (1:30pm)
Weds 17th	Yr 6 show (6pm)
Mon 22nd	Yr 6 awards assembly (9am)
Tues 23rd	PTFA disco and leavers' BBQ
Weds 24th	Leavers' breakfast Leavers' service End of Summer Term

TERM DATES 2018-2019

2018 / 2019	First day of term	Last day of term
Autumn Term 1	Thursday 6 th September	Thursday 18 th October
Autumn Term 2	Monday 29 th October	Tuesday 18 th December
Spring Term 1	Thursday 3 th January	Friday 15 th February
Spring Term 2	Monday 25 th February	Friday 5 th April
Summer Term 1	Tuesday 23 rd April	Friday 24 th May
Summer Term 2	Monday 3 rd June	Wednesday 24 th July
INSET DAYS	4 th and 5 th September 2018	
	18 th October 2018	
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 6 th May 2019	

TERM DATES 2019-2020

2019 / 2020	First day of term	Last day of term
Autumn Term 1	Wednesday 4 th September	Friday 18 th October
Autumn Term 2	Monday 28 th October	Wednesday 18 th December
Spring Term 1	Monday 6 th January	Friday 14 th February
Spring Term 2	Monday 24 th February	Wednesday 1 st April
Summer Term 1	Monday 20 th April	Friday 22 nd May
Summer Term 2	Monday 1 st June	Tuesday 21 st July
INSET DAYS	2 nd and 3 rd September 2019	
	2 nd April 2020	
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 4 th May 2020	

IMPORTANT NOTE: Dates for Staff Training Days may need to be altered. Notice will be given if this proves to be necessary.



ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER?

ARE YOU FEELING WORRIED OR UNSAFE?

DO YOU HAVE AN E-SAFETY CONCERN?

DOES SOMETHING 'NOT FEEL RIGHT'?

Talk to a trusted adult.



Mr Paul Henman
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Mary Wilson
Alternate Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr Sam Jones
Alternate Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Josie Rayner- Wells
Governor for Safeguarding

In an emergency dial **999**. 

If you are not in school, ring **0808 800 5000** or **0800 1111**.




For online concerns, submit a form online to CEOP. 

Adults can ring:
Norfolk's Children's Advice and Duty Service on **0344 800 8020** 

We are all here to listen and to help.

We are committed to the safety and happiness of our children. Please talk to any member of staff for further advice or to report a concern.

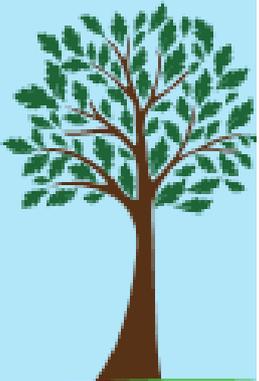


Taverham Junior School

SUMMER FAIR



Thursday 23rd May
4.30PM – 7.30PM



Taverham Lions BBQ * Licensed Bar

Bouncy Castles * Ice cream Van

Year 6 Game Stalls * Music * Raffle

Sweets and crisps * Toys and Balloons

**£1 per person entry. TJS aged children
and younger are free.**

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