



**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

# TYSOE NEWSLETTER

## Autumn Term 2020 Issue 11

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Free School Meals**

We would like to remind you about the Benefits Related Free School Meals scheme. Although all Reception and KS1 children receive Universal Free School Meals, this does not continue into KS2 nor does it attract any additional support such as the Christmas holiday voucher (details to be confirmed shortly).

For this, parents would need to apply for Benefits Related Free School Meals and the sooner the better to make sure you can receive additional payments. Your child may be able to get benefits related free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

If you think you might qualify, please apply using the following link:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals>

There is additional support from the Warwickshire Welfare Scheme. To qualify for the Warwickshire Welfare Scheme support, you must be registered for benefits-related FSM. Please call 0800 4081448 and speak with one of our advisers.

As always, if you need further support, please contact the office on [admin3068@welearn365.com](mailto:admin3068@welearn365.com) or call 01295 680244.



### **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP**

Our Christian core value is Creativity

Edgehill	Windmill	Sunrising
236	222	262

* Star of the Week *	
Beech	Amber-Lily
Oak	Gracie and Benji
Rowan	Flynn
Silver Birch	Max
Willow	Katherine

### **Canvas bags**

This year we are spreading some Christmas cheer, and fundraising for the school at the same time, with our beautifully decorated canvas shopping bags. Each bag costs £5 and the funds raised will go directly to the school in place of the raffle money usually raised at the Christmas performances. Every child has their self-portrait and name on the bag. Great for Christmas gifts! And perfect for eco-friendly wrapping! If you wish to purchase a bag (or two!) please send in the correct money in a sealed envelope with your child. Please label the envelope with:

**Child's Name and Class**  
**Number of bags requested**  
**Payment included**



### **Christmas Cards**

We know the children usually enjoy writing Christmas cards to their friends and teachers but this year we will unfortunately not be able to have post boxes and deliveries. We will be working on class Christmas cards to share with the rest of the school. Another change to our usual routines at this time of year but we hope the children will get just as much enjoyment from our shared cards in school. We are also really looking forward to beginning our whole school Advent calendar on Monday.

*Paige Neale - Head of School*

<b>TERM DATES 2020/2021</b>	
30 <sup>th</sup> November	Bag2School Collection 9am
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Family Advent Service on Zoom
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	'Friends' AGM 6.30pm
11 <sup>th</sup> December	DBE Christingle Service
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Open Morning (appointment only)
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Songs
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
18 <sup>th</sup> December	School Closes after PM Registration
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec-1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Christmas Holiday
4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Inset Day
15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term
2 <sup>nd</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday
31 <sup>st</sup> May-4 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Half Term

### **Community News**

Please click the link below for the latest digital issue of Families Warwickshire Magazine:

<https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/familieswarwickshirenovdec2020?fr=sNDBjNjlyNTc5NjU>

### **Charity Christmas Trees**

Christmas Trees for sale in aid of Cancer Research. Roses Farmhouse, Epwell Road, Upper Tysoe CV35 0TN.

Trees will be available from 28<sup>th</sup> November for collection or pre-order now for free local home delivery. Please provide the size you require and your postcode. 07961 805661.



### **Christmas Turkeys**

Please see a flyer sent with the newsletter.

Hornton Grounds is offering £5 to the school for every Turkey purchased

### **Emergency closure of school due to bad weather**

It is very rare but in the event of school closure a text message will be sent – it is parents' responsibility to ensure that the school office always has the most up to date contact details, including emergency contacts.

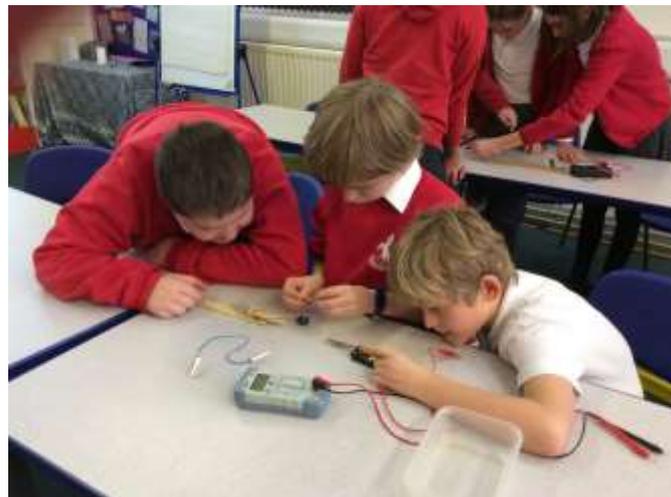
An announcement will also be posted on our website [www.tysoe.warwickshire.sch.uk](http://www.tysoe.warwickshire.sch.uk). When the school is to be re-opened, this too will be announced on the website.

School closures can also be checked on the Warwickshire County Council website <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/emergency-school-closures-1>

Please note that WCC no longer offers free text message alerts to parents/carers who previously signed up to receive school closure notifications.

### **Willow Class**

As part of their electricity topic in science, Willow Class investigated how to make a burglar alarm with equipment borrowed from The Institute of Engineering and Technology. They followed circuit diagrams to wire buzzers, bulbs and a switch, which had a trip wire that set off the alarm.



### **Primary Maths Challenge**

We are delighted to announce that once again Tysoe has taken part in this year's Maths Challenge. The top Gold Award went to Charlotte and Martha. Silver was awarded to Harry, Eliza, Jimmy and Piotr. There were 6 bronze awards and 5 children also received a certificate commending their participation. This is a great result! Well done everyone and thanks to Mrs Smith for preparing the children and organising the competition.



*This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff, volunteers and parents to share this commitment.*