



## TATSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Aim High, Achieve More*

**Our Vision:** Children, staff and parents working actively in partnership to enable all children to realise their full potential.

### Newsletter - October 2022



#### MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

**Wrens: 96.2%**    **Year 1: 97.3%**  
**Year 2: 97.5%**    **Year 3: 96.7%**  
**Year 5: 96.6%**    **Year 6: 95.8%**

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**The winner for October is:**

**Year 4: 98.1%**

Please remember school attendance is mandatory. Holidays should be planned for school holiday times to avoid missing school time. If your child is absent, you must notify the school office every day before 9:30am at the latest.

Thank you

Dear Parents / Carers / Children

October has been a busy month with lots happening both in and out of school.

Year 6 went on their residential trip to the Isle of Wight. Please see page 3 for lots of photos and more will be published on the website very soon.

On Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th we were joined by a host of prospective parents for our open mornings. It was pleasing to see such a lot of interest in our school and we are very proud to have shown it off at its best. It was a normal school day for all concerned and despite the slight disruption of strangers entering the classrooms, the children all gave our visitors a taste of what a good school we are. Thank you and well done to the children who helped show the parents around the building and who answered their questions so sensibly.

We hope you like our new monthly attendance feature—see left. We are hoping this will encourage healthy competition to be the best attending class in future!

May I take this opportunity to wish our families an enjoyable half term break.

Mr Bellinger (Headteacher)

#### DATES OF INTEREST

Monday 31 October 2022—INSET Day (no pupils in school)

Tuesday 1 November 2022—School opens for pupils

Wednesday 2 November 2022—Years 3-6 Cross Country at Oxted

Wednesday 2 & Thursday 3 November 2022—Open Mornings by appt—see website to book a place

Friday 4 November 2022—PTA Fireworks

Wednesday 9 & Thursday 10 November 2022—Parents Evenings—booking via Arbor Parent Portal / App

Tuesday 15 November 2022—Years 5 & 6 Tag Rugby at Oxted

Wednesday 16 November 2022—Year 6 Heights & Weights

Friday 18 November 2022—Own Clothes Day

Thursday 24 November 2022—Year 5 to Newhaven Fort

Monday 28 November—Thursday 1 December 2022—Scholastic Book Fair

Friday 16 December 2022—Break up for the Christmas holiday

Tuesday 3 January 2023—INSET Day (no pupils in school)

Wednesday 4 January 2023—Spring Term begins for pupils

Details of the term dates for 2022 / 2023 are now available on the website for your convenience.

## HARVEST FESTIVAL

On Friday 30 September the children celebrated Harvest Festival with a special assembly. Each class presented a song, art work, poem or research at the assembly.

Chris Hancock and Marjory Broughton said:

*We would like to offer our sincere thanks to you all for the generous donations of food produce you so kindly provided for our Harvest Sunday Service. This was subsequently delivered to the Foodbank at Christ Church, Brixton Road on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October and was most gratefully received by them.*

*Please be assured that the large amount of produce donated will really help those in the Brixton area who are struggling to make ends meet at this difficult and challenging time.*

*With every best wish and blessing to you all.*

**Chris Hancock & Marjory Broughton - Churchwardens**

Thank you to all the families who donated food for the collection.

Your kindness is much appreciated.



## PTA NEWS

Our annual fireworks display will take place on Friday 4 November 2022 with gates open from 6pm. There will be hot drinks, novelties, a bar and BBQ, a sweetie stall and much more.










Tickets – Pre-booked £6 per person/ gate price £7 per person.

Family ticket (admits 4) – Pre-booked £20/gate price £25 Pre-school children – Free

Please also see the list of PTA events for your diaries. Your support is much appreciated.

## Tatsfield PTA Calendar of Events

Tatsfield Primary School  
22/23

Halloween Cake Sale		20/10/22
Fireworks		4/11/22
Own clothes Day		18/11/22
Christmas Fair		2/12/22
Disco		27/1/23
Valentines Cake Sale		9/02/23
Movie Night		10/03/23
Bags2School		14/03/23
June Fair		10/06/23





## YEAR 6 PGL LITTLE CANADA, ISLE OF WIGHT RESIDENTIAL VISIT

In the week beginning Monday 10 October Year 6 went for their residential visit to PGL in Little Canada on the Isle of Wight, accompanied by Mrs Pascal, Mr Bellingier and Mrs Ellis. The group all had a lovely week, helped by some lovely autumn sunshine. Activities included, buggy building, archery, abseiling, zip wire, giant swing, trapeze and much, much more.

Thank you very much to the members of staff who gave up their time to take the children away and well done to Year 6 for their impeccable behaviour. They were a credit to our school!







**Do you shop on Amazon?**

Yes

**Would you like to raise funds for school at the same time?**

Yes

**Do you have the Amazon App?**



**Yes: iphone**

1. GO INTO YOUR APP
2. CLICK ON SETTINGS
3. CLICK ON AMAZON SMILE
4. ENTER CHARITY NUMBER OR CHARITY NAME

**Yes: android**

1. GO INTO YOUR APP
2. SEARCH FOR AMAZON SMILE
3. CLICK ON AMAZON SMILE LOGO
4. ENTER CHARITY NUMBER OR CHARITY NAME

**No**

1. GO TO SMILE.AMAZON.CO.UK
2. SIGN IN WITH YOUR AMAZON LOGIN
3. CLICK ON GET STARTED
4. SEARCH FOR CHARITY
5. ENSURE ALL AMAZON PURCHASES ARE DONE USING THE SMILE.AMAZON.CO.UK LINK


**WHAT IS AMAZON SMILE**

Amazon smile is a separate portal from Amazon's main site. It offers the same items, prices and benefits as Amazon.com, but with one distinct difference. When users shop on AmazonSmile, the retailer's foundation contributes 0.5% of the price of the eligible purchases to the charity of your choice. There is no cost to the charity or the customer, and 100% of the donation generated from eligible purchases goes to the consumer's charity of choice.

**PLEASE SHARE WITH FAMILY, FRIENDS AND EMPLOYERS.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**



**SCHOLASTIC**

**COME TO THE BOOK FAIR**


FIND HUNDREDS OF THE BEST BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99!

LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO DONATE OVER £2.2M BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

OVER 200 BOOKS TO CHOOSE FROM!

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING TO TATSFIELD SOON...**

Celebrate reading with your favourite authors and illustrators from Monday 28 November until Thursday 1 December 2022 when you will have the opportunity to come to our Book Fair. See you there!



**KS2 INTER-HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY EVENT**

On Tuesday 18 October 2022, we held our KS2 Inter-house Cross Country event. The children were amazing and ran laps of the school grounds in a certain amount of time.

Yellow = 91 laps     
 Green = 99 laps     
 Red = 101 laps

The winners....

with 113 laps of the school field were Blue House!

## THEATRE EXCHANGE—WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2022

### Woodpecker Class' Stone Age to Iron Age Adventure!

Year 3 enjoyed a drama-filled morning, cementing their understanding of the Stone Age and developed knowledge of the Bronze and Iron Ages during the Theatre Exchange workshop.

The children met 'Stone Age man', explored how people's lives changed from the Paleolithic to Neolithic eras and investigated a longhouse, deciding what families would have used each room for.

Moving into the Bronze Age, children re-created a summer Solstice scene at Stone Henge, before thinking about how Iron changed people's lives. We learnt that this was the first time people were given names! We were given an Iron Age name along with its meaning and acted it out. Mrs Knock—Woodpeckers



### Kingfisher's and the Great Fire of London!

Kingfisher class enriched their learning about the Great Fire of London with some actors from Theatre Exchange.

Taking on roles of Londoners of the time, the children acted out the events of the fire, including jobs of the era, leaving their houses for shelter in St. Paul's Cathedral and even meeting Samuel Pepys and his servant Hayter!



Mrs Colegate—Kingfishers



## ARBOR

As you may already be aware, we moved our MIS to Arbor just before the summer break.



Adopting Arbor will allow us to communicate with you more efficiently and bring all core school data and workflows into one system.

We are really looking forward to getting started with Arbor's Parent Portal & Arbor App and invite all our parents to familiarise themselves using the link below.

[Getting started - Log into the Parent Portal and the Arbor App](#)

Arbor also offers access to many training resources which are completely free for you to make the most of! These can all be found [here](#).

We will send further communication on the parental app and how to register soon, please look out for this information and register your child when prompted.

We hope you are looking forward to using this new feature as much as we are!

**Please note that Arbor Parent Portal and the Arbor App will be replacing Parentmail (PMX).**

**We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App**

**We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.**

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

**How to get started**

1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready - you won't be able to log in before
2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
4. Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday

**Need help using Arbor?**

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

**Some tips to try:**

1. Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor. Ask us to **check the email address** linked to your account.
2. **Reset your password** from the login page, or ask us to do this.
3. If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the **password link will have expired**. Ask us to send it again.
4. Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
5. **Enter the birthday** of one of your children to log in.
6. Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.

**1 JOIN OUR LOTTERY**

**2 BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS**

**3 WIN CASH PRIZES**

**It's As Easy As**

- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- The easy way to help us raise funds
- Local cash prizes every week
- Chance to win the £25k jackpot

**Buy A Ticket**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

**SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY**

**£1 per week**

**Weekly cash prizes**

**£25,000 jackpot**

**Splitting the £1.00**

**How it works...**

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Tatsfield Primary School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

**It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Tatsfield Primary School**

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

**The Maths...** 100 tickets sold a week means  
= £30 weekly cash prize  
= £2,080 a year for our school

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## EASYFUNDRAISING—REMEMBER US WHEN YOU START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING...

If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 4,400 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you! Every donation you raise makes a difference to us so please sign up & share today. [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/tatsfieldprimaryschool/?invite=I05I04%26referralcampaign=c2s%26utm\\_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm\\_content=srt](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/tatsfieldprimaryschool/?invite=I05I04%26referralcampaign=c2s%26utm_campaign=admin-trigger%26utm_content=srt)

A huge thank you to those who have already signed up and made purchases as we have received several donations already from your efforts.

## AMAZON SMILE

[smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk)

Did you know if you shop at Amazon through Amazon smile - AmazonSmile donates to Tatsfield Primary School Parent And Teachers Association you can make a difference: Simply shop through [smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1102052-0](https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1102052-0) or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app. Please think of us when you start your Christmas shopping.

## FREE ONLINE GUIDES FOR FAMILIES IN SURREY

Bringing up children is a lot of fun but can also have its challenges and understanding your child's emotional development can help to support your relationship and your child's behaviour.

Families living in Surrey can get access to FREE online guides that include top tips from childcare, education and NHS health experts.

- Understanding your pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby
- Understanding your baby
- Understanding your child 0-19 years
- Understanding your teenager's brain
- Understanding your brain (for teenagers only!)
- Understanding your child with additional needs

The guides are available in other languages including Urdu, Chinese and Polish.

Register for free using the code 'ACORN' by visiting the Children and Family Health Surrey website:

[www.childrenshealthsurrey.nhs.uk/services/free-online-guides-families](https://www.childrenshealthsurrey.nhs.uk/services/free-online-guides-families).

## Annual Event and AGM 2022



Surrey parent carers are invited to sign up for our free online School Transition event. This will be especially relevant for parents of children who are transitioning or have recently transitioned from primary to secondary school.

We are delighted that on Friday 18th November we will be holding an in-person day event running from 10am-2pm at Eastwood Leisure Centre in Woking.

From Monday 14th to Thursday 17th November, we have online specialist speakers, panel discussions, presentations, and training from experts from the NHS, Surrey County Council, Contact training and many more.



Our event will open at 10am on Monday 14th of November.

The finalised timetable will be released in September.

So keep your eyes peeled!

Guest speakers will include: Award winner and author Yvonne Newbold discussing ways to support anxiety driven behaviour challenges, SEN lawyer and expert Sarah Palmer from The Children's Legal Practice who will be talking about reasonable adjustments and legal rights.

During the day you will have the opportunity to speak to a variety of organisations and charities in our market place that will offer more information about the support services that they can provide.

Topics include: Growing up guidance, parent and child wellbeing, reasonable adjustments, paperwork and preparation and much more.

Tickets to the free day event are limited and will be issued on a first come first served basis via pre-booking via Eventbrite link.

Once registered, you will receive an email each morning of the event with the links for you to access the sessions from your smartphone or computer. We will also send you a timetable for the week in advance with details of all our speakers and live Q&A sessions.

Anyone attending the in-person event on the 18<sup>th</sup> November will be entered into a free raffle to win fantastic prizes including: a tablet and tickets to days out or activities.

Family Voice Surrey  
Connect House, Kingston Road, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 9LT  
Together we can make a difference [www.familyvoicesurrey.org](https://www.familyvoicesurrey.org)

## POLIO / VACCINATION REMINDER

You may have seen in the news that polio has been found in London sewage water – although this represents a small risk to the public, it's a timely reminder to ensure children are fully up to date with their vaccinations. Polio vaccine is part of the routine national immunisation schedule.

If you or your child are not up to date with your polio vaccinations, it's important you contact your GP to catch up or if unsure check your Red Book.

Find out more about childhood vaccinations: [Immunisations - Healthy Surrey](#).