

TWERTON INFANT SCHOOL & NURSERY

Friday 9th February 2018



Thank you to all the children (and staff too) that came along to enjoy **Book At Bedtime** on Thursday evening. *Particular thanks to Mrs Patterson, Miss Goodwin, Mrs Langan, Mrs Brailey, Mr Rod, Miss Parfitt and Mrs Sullivan.*

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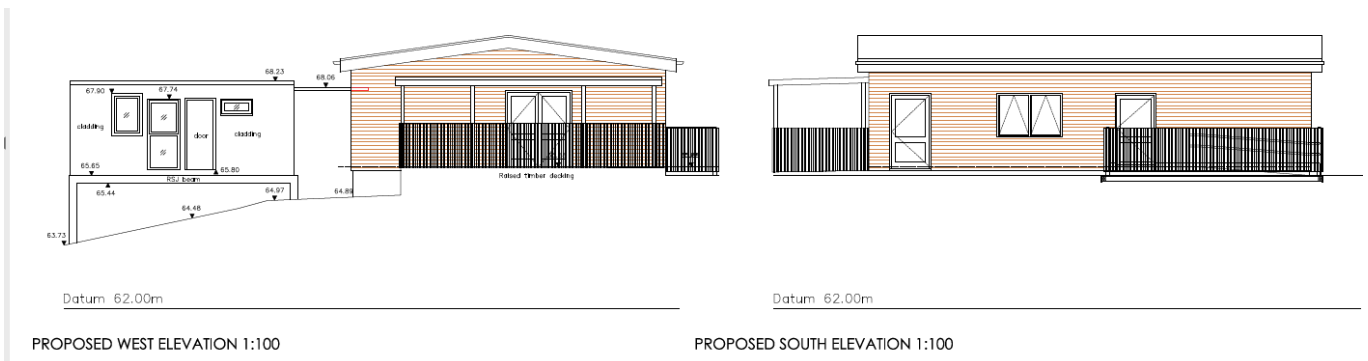
Dear Parents and Carers,

Nursery News



On Friday we said "Au revoir!" and "Best Wishes" to Mrs Kelly Reeves as she begins her Maternity Leave. While Kelly is on leave, Miss Parfitt will be deployed in the Robins Room each morning, from 20th February. Mrs Jolene Russell is also expecting to return from her maternity leave on 19th March.

We are also very excited to share news that the Owls Nursery building will be replaced with a modern, warm, bright, shiny building in the Summer Term this year. We are currently finalising plans for the Owls Room to move into Rowan Class from the beginning of June. The construction work on the new building will take place with minimal disruption to the rest of the school and we have been assured that everything will be ready for September 2018. **More details to follow.**



2018 is the *Year of Reading*

In assembly on Friday, 22 children were awarded certificates for reaching landmarks in their reading this year. Across the school we have noticed a big change in reading because of the extra reading that is taking place at home. This is excellent and so very good for your (and our) children.



This week, every child in Year 1 and Year 2 has borrowed a book from the school library to enjoy over the holidays. Several children are also borrowing books that have been recommended by members of staff. Find out more about the **Brilliant Book Borrowing Club** (known as the **B B B C**) here: <http://bit.ly/2rguxAo>

LEAVES



The following children were awarded Leaves recently:

Ash Class (YR)

- **Millie** – for some amazing number work, recognising numerals and careful counting too;
- **Billy** – for writing some amazing sentences and remembering to use finger spaces.

Elm Class (YR/Y1)

- **Evie** – for wanting to read and write all week;
- **Kaci-Mai** – for fantastic reading at home and at school.

Oak Class (Y1)

- **Rhia** – for being a super mathematician, spotting patterns and making predictions when using arrays;
- **Heidi** – well done for making an extra-special effort to read more at home.

Chestnut Class (Y1/Y2)

- **Shyanna** – for always reading at home with mum;
- **Faith** – for applying her amazing phonic knowledge.

Maple Class (Y2)

- **Elloise** – for fantastic woodwork and teamwork;
- **Hussein** – for being a brilliant mathematician throughout the week.

Well done to you all. We are really proud of you all!

Online Safety

Last week Ofsted hosted a webinar about Online Safety. There is some excellent advice and information for parents of children (of all ages). Please do take time to watch.

This video does include a tragic story about a young boy called Breck, that vividly illustrates the dangers that children face when they engage with strangers online. You can watch the video online: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zwezYyq3Ss>





Safer Internet Day - 6th February

To mark Safer Internet Day this week, we have launched Gooseberry Planet, which is a new application that helps **children** and **parents** to better understand the risks on-line, and how to stay safe. All children in Oak, Chestnut and Maple Class have been given their own account to access Gooseberry Planet from any smart device with an internet connection.

Parent Meeting – Friday 23rd February

Please come along to The SPOT after morning drop-off (9:15am) to meet our friendly parent governors and to share any ideas you may have for improving the school and to get involved in the life of the school.

Attendance Update

We celebrated **81** children with attendance above 95% since January 3rd 2018 and of these **53** children had **100%** attendance, which is excellent. The attendance of each class this academic year is below.

Ash	Elm	Oak	Chestnut	Maple
91%	89%	94%	95.7%	95.7%

Dates for your Diary

Monday 19 th February	-	INSET Day 4 (school closed for training)
Tuesday 20 th February	-	School Open (start of Term 4)
Friday 23 rd February	-	Parent Meeting 9:15am in SPOT
Friday 2 nd March	-	World Book Day 2018
Saturday 3 rd March	-	Great British Spring Clean 2018
Monday 12 th March	-	Launch of Science Week
Tuesday 13 th March	-	Dance Umbrella
Thursday 15 th March	-	Parents' Evening (3:10pm to 5:30pm)
Monday 19 th March	-	Sport Relief Week
Tuesday 20 th March	-	Parents' Evening (3:10pm to 6:00pm)
Wednesday 21 st March	-	Easter Celebration (2:20pm)
Friday 23 rd March	-	End of Term 4

School Term Dates for the whole academic year are on the school website:

<http://www.twerton-infant-school.co.uk/cms3/drupal-6.24/?q=node/101>

Please contact the school if your child is unwell and cannot attend school.

You can send us an SMS message to: **07786 201170**

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