



TENACRES FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER JULY 2015

Attendance Matters – From September 2015 the national threshold for persistent absence will be increased. This will result in referral to the Education Welfare Officer for those pupils whose percentage attendance falls below 90%.

This is the equivalent of missing half a day a week. Research shows that children who attend school regularly are likely to be more successful.

A student whose attendance is 90% or below will be tracked and appropriate measures will be put in place to support an improvement.

Curriculum Meeting Dates:

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| Reception | Wednesday 16 th September @ 9am |
| Yr 1 | Thursday 17 th September @ 2.30pm |
| Yr 2 | Friday 18 th September @ 9am |
| Yr 3 | Tuesday 15 th September @ 9am |
| Yr 4 | Thursday 17 th September @ 9am |

And finally

Goodbye

We would like to say a fond farewell to Mrs Pennell & our fabulous Year 4's and wish them all the very best as they start the next chapter of their lives.



End of the Year!

I cannot believe we are coming to the end of this academic year. It has been a year filled with so many learning experiences for the children. I am sure you will join me in thanking all of the Tenacres staff for their creative approach to your child's learning.

I would like to thank all our parents & carers for their on-going support during this school year.

Everybody at Tenacres wishes all our children and families a happy, relaxing and safe Summer break.



MISS MARSHALL

Here are just a few updates on life at Tenacres this half term ...

Careers Week – Children experienced a range of jobs over the week and enjoyed dressing up in role for their professions of the future. We were lucky to have some of our parents/carers come in to talk to the children about their career as a tree surgeon, dental nurse, health care assistant and designer for Cadbury's. We also had visits from PDSA, Guide Dogs for the Blind, St John's Ambulance, Paramedics, Royal Bank of Scotland, Specsavers and Birmingham Airport to name but a few!

We have a vacancy for a Dinner Supervisor working 5 hours per week from September. We also require relief supervisors who are willing to work on a casual basis when required. If you would like any information on either of these opportunities please ask at the office.

from the Police helicopter which caused great excitement amongst pupils and staff when it landed on the school field! The crew spent time with each year group teaching the children about the important role of the Police helicopter.



Maths Day & French Day – Children enjoyed a carousel of activities focusing on number, shape and measure.

French Day gave children a taste of all things 'French' when they had fun learning the language, tasting French food in our Cafe and dressing in the colours of the French flag.

Mr Beacham's Eco Warriors

A huge congratulations to Mr Beacham and his Eco team:

- Aimee & River YR
- Archie & Joshua Yr 1
- Piotr & Liam Yr 2
- Jayden, Jack, Tom, Tia & Aiden Yr 3
- Jake, Jade, Joshua, Connor, Gavin & Fiona Yr 4

For being re-accredited with the Eco School Green Flag. This is the highest accolade schools can achieve. John Rhymer the assessor said "it was the best he had seen".

All Change! – Well done to all the children during transition days last week. Middle Schools have been impressed with our Year 4's whilst our children in Years R-3 completed their day clearly ready for the new school year.

Looking ahead to the Autumn Term



There will be a meeting to discuss the future of our Parents Association T.A.P.A on Tuesday 15th September 6pm-7pm. T.A.P.A is our fund-raising committee run by parents and carers. In the past T.A.P.A has raised money for school funds by holding discos, fetes and bingo nights. The money raised is spent on equipment and treats for the children.

Parents Forum – Wednesday 23rd September @ 6.30pm. I will be contacting parents/carers directly who have already expressed an interest but please pop and see me if you would like to be part of this.

Whole School Topic – During the first few weeks back in September the children will be 'Number Wizards' for our maths (number) focus. More details will follow when we return in September.



Macmillan Tea Party – We will be organising a tea party to support Macmillan Cancer & Birmingham Children's Hospital. The event will take place on Friday 25th September. More details to follow.

