

If you need any advice regarding children's behaviour or general parenting issues please come and see her for an informal chat.

Our School Nurse is also available at the same times if you need any advice from her.

## Dates for your planner

We still have some available if you want one. Please ask at the office.

### February

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	School Nurse/Family Support Worker Drop in's
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 trip to Synagogue *
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Break up

### Half Term

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Return to school
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### March

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 SAT's meeting *
	Outdoor Maths Week
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Fruity Friday *
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	TAPA Easter Fun Day *
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Break up for Easter holidays

*Return to school Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April*

\* more details to follow



## TENACRES FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2012



Welcome back everyone after the Christmas break and welcome also to new staff Mrs Coleman who is teaching Mrs Hirst's class whilst she is on maternity leave and to Mrs Bruc who is providing Teaching Assistant support in Year 2.

### TAPS Council

The newly-elected members of the Tenacres Problem Solving Council are Ellis Collins & Charith Sembakuttige, 4B; Niamh Cowman & Kyle Tomlinson, 4P; Kaitlyn O'Toole & Cameron Sutton, 3F; Rehma Khan & Samuel Plowright, 3C; Josh Osborne & Aimee Spike, 2W; Freya Pavely & Corey Phillips, 2R; Jade O'Hara & George Fletcher, 1W; Harry Stanfield & Maisie Britton, 1M.

They meet every week to talk about their ideas to continue to improve the school. We wish them well with their new responsibilities representing their classes and will report their ideas and actions to you as the term progresses.

### New Bells!

We have recently had a new bell system installed across school with different melodies for year groups and activities. Children are very pleased with them and said 'they are calm and relaxing' and 'don't make you jump when you hear them'!



Punctuality The importance of arriving at school on time was communicated to children in assembly last Monday and all children who arrive on time for school every day until February half term will be rewarded with a small prize.



Children who arrive via the office entrance are signed in the late book and a late mark is recorded in the register unless it is for a medical appointment.

Reminder : School starts at 8.40am (8.50am for Reception) when children in years 1 - 4 are collected from their lines on the playground.

- Please remember to phone school and report any absences as soon as possible.
- If for any reason your child arrives very late (after 9.30am) please ensure they bring a packed lunch as dinners are totalled and ordered by this time.



Plea from Miss Begley & Mrs Poynton (Forest School Leaders): If you have any wellies that your child has grown out of or no longer uses please could you kindly donate them to school. Thank you.

Some more cameras would be really useful for our Photography Club so if you have got any old digital cameras you no longer use, Mrs Pennell would be really grateful. Thank you.



Pantomime Thank you to TAPA for paying for the Cinderella pantomime who visited school recently. It was presented by M&M Productions, a professional theatre company and children thoroughly enjoyed it.



Please continue to support TAPA fundraising events and join the committee if you can help at events, so they can continue providing extras like this for the children. They are currently raising funds to buy new gymnastics wall bars for the hall.

### Nestlé box tops for books

Please help us collect tokens which are available on special boxes of Nestlé cereals so we can exchange them for free educational books from Dorling Kingsley.



### Book Fair

Our Literacy Co-ordinator, Miss Mason has organised a Book Fair in school on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February between 3.15 - 5pm. Please come along and support this event from which school receives 100% commission in books for our Library. Thank you.



### Drop in Sessions

Our Family Support Worker is holding drop in sessions here at Tenacres on alternate Wednesdays, 8.30am - 9.15am. The next session is on 1<sup>st</sup> February.

