Tatham Fells CE Primary School



Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly & Faith to Flourish

April 2024

Dear families,

Thank you for attending our pupil progress meetings this half term, we value this time to share your child's progress & hope you found it useful. Please remember we have an open door policy and staff are always available to discuss your child's progress with you. If you ever have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

We have lots to look forward to next week & when we return for the Summer term with sporting fixtures, residential visits & Friends of TFS events, it is going to be another busy term! The staff & I would like to wish all our pupils, families and friends of our school a very Happy Easter.

Yours, Fiona Ip Headteacher

School Closes for Easter 1.05pm on Thursday 28th March School reopens for the Summer term 8.30am Monday 15th April

Summer uniform

Pupils are invited to wear their Summer uniform when we return to school after Easter. GIRLS: Blue and white striped or checked dress. Royal blue V-neck jumper or cardigan. BOYS: Grey short or long trousers. White polo shirt. Royal blue V-neck jumper.

PE Kit

When we return to school for the Summer term we are going back to changing into PE kit at school.

Children should bring their PE kit to change into on the following days please:

Wednesday - PE lesson Juniors

Tuesday & Wednesday - PE Lesson

Easter Bonnet Competition

Entries are invited for the Easter Bonnet competition, please bring them into school by Wednesday 27th March for judging. Good luck everyone!

Mufti day - Thursday 28th March

Muffi Day for a donation of £1.00 to the Friends of TFS

KS2 Football Tournament - Tuesday 16th April

We will be taking part in the Lune Valley Football tournament at Arkholme on Tuesday 16th April. Teams and arrangements for the day will be sent home via School Spider.

Swimming Lessons

Children in the Junior class will be having swimming lessons on **Thursday afternoons** at Hornby pool over the Summer term. Please complete the goggles permission & swimmer information slip (sent home today) and return to school next week.

Lessons will start on Thursday 18th April for children in Years 3, 4 & 5

Children in Year 6 will start on 23rd May (after SATS).

Children will need:

Swimwear - Trunks / Costumes - No shorts / Long Shorts / Bikinis / Tankinis Towel

Bag

Hair-long hair tied back or hat / cap (Boys and Girls)

Goggles can only be worn if the letter (sent home today) is signed and returned

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All Jewellery to be removed - Watches, Bracelets, Necklaces, Earrings Thank you

SATS Study Group

We are delighted that Mrs Cadman will be joining us in school on Thursdays to support our Year 6 children as they prepare for their SATS. They will have a study group session in the afternoon & also have the option to stay for an after school SATS booster session 3-4pm. If you would like your child to take part in the after school sessions please complete the survey on School Spider. Thank you

Thursday 25th April 3pm - Isle of Man Parents Information Meeting

Parents & children taking part in the IOM residential trip are invited to join Mrs Ip at 3pm on Thursday 25th April for an information meeting. This will be an opportunity to hear more about the trip and ask any questions you or your children may have.

Bags2School - Friday 26th April

The Friends have organised a Bags2School collection on Friday 26th April. Please bring any bags to drop off that morning. Thank you

Friday 3rd May 2.15pm - May Day Celebration

Please join us at 2.15pm on Friday 3rd May for our May Day Celebration. The children will be showcasing their Maypole dancing and the Friends will be serving refreshments! We are looking forward to welcoming the Taylor and Houldsworth families to share in the celebrations and officially mark the opening of our school slide, which they kindly made a donation towards in loving memory of Mrs Kate Taylor.

Thursday 23rd May Friends of TFS Family Quiz - Details to Follow

Save the date in your diary for our first TFS Family Quiz!

Friday 24th May - Mufti Day

Muffi Day for a donation of £1.00 to the Friends of TFS

Little Explorers

Our Little Explorers Forest School toddler sessions continue every Friday(in term time) 1.15pm - 2.30pm. All toddlers and their parents/carers are most welcome!

Forest School

Our Forest School Sessions with Mrs Entwistle continue on Fridays next half term. The rota is as follows: 19th April - Infants 26th April - Infants 3rd May - Infants Children will need long trousers & a long sleeved top for the forest school sessions please

School Dinner Money Debt

There is a considerable amount outstanding for dinner money. If your KS2 child has school dinners the cost is £2.40 per day, please ensure your School Spider account is credited with the correct amount. If you believe your child is eligible for free school meals, please go to the Lancashire County Council website: Free school meals and pupil premium All balances are now available to view and pay via School Spider. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your invoice, please speak to Mrs Ip or Mrs Mason in confidence. **Please check your parent account for outstanding invoices. Thank you**

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School Spider App

Please ensure you have downloaded the 'School Spider' app so you can make bookings/payments, complete surveys & permissions and receive messages from school. We use School Spider most days so it is important that you are able to access your parent account. Please contact the school office if you need any help logging in.

After School Clubs This Half Term

Monday 3.15-5pm - ASC & 3-4pm Lil Beatz Dance Club Tuesday 3.15-5pm - ASC Wednesday 3.15-5pm - ASC Please book online via the School Spider App or by emailing <u>bursar@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk</u> **£2.50 per child/ session**

Absence Reporting & Attendance

Absences can now be reported via the School Spider app

If your child is going to be absent from school please report the absence via School Spider or email bursar@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk before 9am on the day of each absence. If an absence report is not received we will need to contact you to find out where your child is as part of our safeguarding duty.

Diary Dates

Thursday 28th March - Muffi Day (£1.00 donation to Friends of TFS) Tuesday 16th April 9.30am - Lune Valley Football tournament @ Arkholme Wednesday 24th April - Cinema Night - Details to Follow **Thursday 25th April 3pm - Isle of Man Parents Information Meeting** Friday 26th April - Bags2School Collection Friday 3rd May 2.30pm - May Day Celebration (Maypole) Thursday 23rd May Friends of TFS Family Quiz - Details to Follow Friday 24th May - Muffi Day, donation of £1.00 to the Friends of TFS Wednesday 5th June 1.30pm - Sports Day (RESERVE Wednesday 19th June) Monday 10th - Friday 14th June - Year 5 & 6 Isle of Man Trip Tuesday 25th June - Wednesday 26th June - Year 3 & 4 Borwick Hall residential Wednesday 10th July 2pm - Summer Performance Thursday 11th July 6pm - Summer Performance Thursday 18th July 11am - Leavers Service (at Church) & Leavers Picnic (all welcome) 12 noon