

# Tortworth Weekly News from Tortworth Primary School

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The weather turned a little chilly at the beginning of the week and there are promises of more frosty mornings to come. At least our heating is up and running again, if a little temperamental, due to one boiler not presently working. (We are talking with the LA about a replacement boiler - which will no doubt be installed just before the sun appears!)

We have a student joining our school next week for work experience. She will mainly support in class I, but will also spend some time with our pupils in KS2. Her name is Miss Adams and we are looking forward to her joining us for the week.

I have spent some time in each of the classes this week, learning alongside our pupils. The most interesting part is talking to the children on how we improve their learning experiences. They have nothing but good things to say about their teachers, which I would agree with. Thank you everyone.

#### Table Tennis Club taster

Stroud Table Tennis Club is running a free table tennis taster session at KLB on 3rd February with the aim of starting a weekly club later in the month. See attachment.

## **Safer Internet Day - reminder**

Tuesday I I Feb is Safer Internet Day - theme 'Together for a better internet.' The school will be raising its teaching of internet safety during the week 10 - 14 Feb. You are invited to join our sharing assembly on Thursday 13 Feb at 8.45am, followed by a workshop for parents on keeping your children safe online - we hope to see you there.

saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day

Week: 20 - 24 January

**Wagtail** – 99.4% **Kestrel** - 97.7% Peregrine - 96.6%



Attendance

# Tiddlypeeps now open all week

Good news - Tiddlypeeps Forest School Preschool, based in the log cabin in our grounds, have increased their opening hours and are now open 5 days a week. Opening hours are 9 - 3pm.

Clients from the Wickwar preschool branch of Tiddlypeeps have transferred to the Tortworth branch, they start at 9.15am (so shouldn't affect morning car parking for Tortworth School parents). There are two new members of staff as well.

Do tell friends and family about the increased opening hours. We are hoping the after school/Out of School Club days will increase soon too.

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## **Fortnightly Coffee mornings**

Mrs Hughes, our Family Mentor and KS2 teacher, holds fortnightly coffee mornings open to all. It's a great way to meet other parents. The next one is on Wednesday 29 lanuary. Do come along.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!**

Tel: 01454 260510

Wed 29 Jan - parents coffee morning Fri 7 Feb - Film club Wed 12 Feb -Tyndale Monument Walk C2/3 Thur 13 Feb - Online safety 'sharing' assembly and parent workshop Tue 25 Feb – Pancake Day lunch Mon 2 March – St David's Day lunch Tue 17 March – St Patrick's Day lunch Thur 23 April – St George's Day lunch Fri 24 April - KS1 weekly swimming starts Thur 7 May – VE Day lunch 29 Jun – 1 July - Croft Farm Y5/6 residential

## Croft Farm Y 5 / 6 Residential

Payment can now be made online through ParentPay. Please ensure you have paid January's instalment of £30 by the end of the month. Many thanks, especially to those of you who have already paid. The next instalment will be £35 due in February.

We signpost events and activities to you, but please ensure that you carry out your own safeguarding checks before leaving your children in someone else's care.

#### Car park improvements

We have arranged to have some stones delivered to spread in the car park but have been advised the ground needs to be drier than it currently is before we spread them.

Apologies, we appreciate how muddy it is, but are taking action and acting on expert advice. We hope a group of parents will kindly help out with the work when we can go ahead.

## Reminder - Spare socks and tights

Wagtail children have no spare socks to borrow in case of accidents. If you have any to spare, please can you bring them in. Many thanks.