

Another great week in school.

Class 2 are getting to grips with our new learnpads and teachers learning alongside them! They were all ecstatic yesterday when they managed to work out how to send their work to the printer. Well done class 2 I'm really proud of your resilience and hope you can soon demonstrate your skills to the rest of us. I have seen some fantastic maths problem solving happening in the classrooms. We have recently bought 'Badger Maths' specifically to help improve our maths problem solving and reasoning, the children are enjoying the challenges. It seems that cooler weather is on the way so enjoy the last of the sunshine while it lasts.

### School Blog

Each week one of the children or a member of staff will be penning a blog that will be published on our school website. This week's entry comes from Jack Crawley, Year 4.

### Mr Buckley's '5 Halves, 5 Weeks'.

This weekend Mr Buckley is beginning his '5 Halves, 5 Weeks' challenge in Truro, where he will run the first of 5 half marathons in as many weeks. After Truro he will be heading to Bristol, Cardiff, Oxford and finally the Eden Project to run and raise funds for a great cause. The challenge is in aid of a friend of his who suffered a serious and life-changing injury playing rugby. This promises to be extremely tough so if you see Mr Buckley limping around the school you'll now know why! Mr Buckley is hoping to raise enough money to support his friends ongoing recovery and to raise awareness of his cause. For more information and to donate go to

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/5Halves5Weeks>. Any amount you could spare would be greatly appreciated. Thank you. From everyone here at Tortworth, we wish him the best of luck!

### After school clubs.

There is still spaces in all after school clubs so collect a form from reception to sign up if you would like to join and haven't yet done so.

### This week's 'Gem Power' learners

**Class 1: Isaac D**

**Class 2: Florence B**

**Class 3: Millie**

**Sports Coach: Cameron**

**Lunchtime : Emma**

**Headteacher: Freddie**

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### Breakfast and After School Club

As promised the school is providing **breakfast and after school provision from 7.30am to 6pm**. This will, for the moment, be provided by staff; as response to job adverts hasn't been great. It would therefore be extremely helpful if you could book a week in advance by contacting Miss Wilson in the office.

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Thank you.

### Feedback from Parent Survey

Thank you to all the parents who completed our end of 2015-16. We are planning to feedback responses to governors on 5<sup>th</sup> October and to parents at a workshop meeting on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2.30pm in the hall**. We hope that together we can answer your questions and find positive solutions to the raised issues. Please do come along.

### Keyboards

Do you have an unused keyboard lying around your home, or know someone who does? With ongoing music lessons and other future educational purposes, we are looking for keyboards to have within the school. Any donations would be hugely appreciated.



### Dates for the Diary

19<sup>th</sup> Sep – All clubs run as normal.  
19<sup>th</sup> Sep – Music tuition continues  
20<sup>th</sup> Sep - C1 Wild Woods  
23<sup>rd</sup> Sep – C3 Swimming  
30<sup>th</sup> Sep – Stay and Learn C1 Morning  
30<sup>th</sup> Sep – Macmillan Coffee Morning  
4<sup>th</sup> Oct – Individual photos  
5<sup>th</sup> Oct – 'The Daily Mile' parents presentation 2:30pm.  
11<sup>th</sup> Oct – Harvest festival at St Leonards  
18<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening 5-7pm  
19<sup>th</sup> Oct – Parents Evening 3:30-5:30pm  
20<sup>th</sup> Oct – Open morning for New Parents 9:15-10:15am  
Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct – **End on Term 1**  
Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – **Start of Term 2**  
31<sup>st</sup> Oct – Open Evening for new parents 6-7pm

### PTA News

The in school lottery has been a good fundraiser raising £152 for PTA funds in just 3 months.

From this month on, we would like you to purchase a bonus ball number for six months (September to January) at a cost of £12 per ball. We think this will be much simpler and easier whilst ensuring our valuable fundraising continues. If you'd like to pay the £12 by BAC's, please contact Miss Wilson, or the PTA for bank details.

£42 from July's bonus ball has been rolled over to this month, increasing this month's total.

You can purchase as many numbers as you want and family members and friends are welcome to join in too.

### Easyfundraising

With Christmas rolling closer, don't forget about Easyfundraising, which adds no extra cost but donates a small percentage to our PTA. There are now new features such as linking to a debit card to gain donations in store or webpage alerts to alert you to the fact the page is supported by easyfundraising. Every bit helps PTA.