**JULY 2019 – END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER**

Well this really feels like the end of a Summer Term! The children and staff have had an exceptionally busy Summer Term. We have had, Sports Day, a music evening, attendance recognition for those with 100% attendance, transition days and a Year Six residential!

This year the children have had the opportunity to take part in an outstanding STEAM week, represent the school in sporting activities and also a debating society. Each year we are able to offer more and more to the children.

**Goodbye…**

Thank you Ms Bridson for all that you have given to Tutshill C of E Primary School during the years. The children and staff have learnt a great deal from you and you will be greatly missed. We wish you all the very best in your future endeavours.

Additionally, we say farewell to Mr Francis. Mr Francis has worked at Tutshill C of E Primary School for the last year and has made a positive impact on staff and pupils alike at Tutshill C of E Primary School. I know that you are going to enjoy your new school and all the challenges it may present you; good luck Mr Francis.

We are unfortunately saying good bye to our Year Six and to some other friends lower in the school. I want to wish you all the very best in all that comes your way. You will all be missed.

I would like to wish everyone a fantastic Summer Holiday. For those returning and joining us in September I look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 3rd September 2019, at 8.55am.

**Attendance**

Congratulations to the Green Team who had the highest attendance percentage this term with 95.79% Our whole school attendance for this term was 95.58% and well done also to Year 2 who had the highest class attendance this term at 96.84%.

Congratulations to the Green Team again who had the highest attendance percentage overall with 97.15% and to Year 1 who had the highest class attendance percentage overall at 97.15%. Our whole school attendance for the academic year was 96.44%.

**Meet your teacher**

At the start of next year, you are being invited to meet your child’s teacher and come in to the classroom. You will be able to see where your child’s learning takes places, meet the adults teaching your child and be informed about what you children will be taught across the year. You will be told about homework days and PE day etc. There will only be one session per class but the information will be available on the class pages on eSchools. The times for these sessions are as follows:

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| Year | Date | Time |
| Year 1 | Monday 9th September | 9.00-9.30am |
| Year 2 | Wednesday 11th September | 9.00-9.30am |
| Year 3 | Tuesday 10th September | 9.00-9.30am |
| Year 4 | Thursday 12th September | 9.00-9.30am |
| Year 5 | Monday 16th September | 9.00-9.30am |
| Year 6 | Tuesday 17th September | 9.00-9.30am |
| Busy Bee Hive | Monday 9th September | 2.45pm – 3.15pm |

Reception parents have met with class teachers throughout the summer term and there are teacher parent sessions during the first weeks back. Please refer to the Induction for Reception Children Handbook you received.

**School Council**

We would just like to say a huge thank you to our school council members. You have worked really hard to raise money for our charity, which is Cancer Research UK. The water event yesterday raised £130 which we will add to the other money raised throughout the year. Well done for all of your efforts!

**PTA – Thank you**

We would like to thank the PTA for their donations to the Young Voices choir trip and Country Dancing costumes. We really appreciate all the help and support that you give us.

**ParentPay School Meal Accounts**

If you have received an email reminder from ParentPay or text message requesting that your child’s school meal account is topped up, please can we ask that this is done by the end of the week. Any accounts with a negative balance will be charged back to school, meaning funds that should be spent on educational resources for your children will be spent on settling dinner debts. We appreciate your co-operation with this request.

**School Uniform**

Our school uniform remains unchanged for the coming year, consisting of:

A light blue polo shirt\*, shirt, or blouse;

School sweatshirt\* or navy jumper or cardigan;

Smart grey or navy trousers or grey or navy skirt/pinafore;

Grey socks / tights, white socks for girls in summer;

Dark coloured sensible shoes.

In summer, children may wear grey or navy shorts;

In summer, girls may wear a blue checked or striped dress and white socks.

Baseball caps with the school logo are available from the school office.

PE Kit (to be kept in a named drawstring bag):

Navy T-shirt\* and navy shorts;

Navy jogging trousers;

KS1 (Reception, Y1 and Y2) black trainers; and

KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 and 6) black trainers (no colour/logos/names).

Our uniform supplier, Sheila’s of Beachley Road in Sedbury, has sent details of her current prices for Tutshill School uniform as follows:

Sweatshirts £10.00 all sizes

Sweat cardigans £12.00 all sizes

Polo shirts £ 8.50 all sizes

PE t-shirts £ 8.00 all sizes

However, whilst preferred by the school, the wearing of uniform bearing the logo is optional and uniform can be purchased from other suppliers providing it is the correct colour (i.e. plain light blue polo shirts and plain navy sweatshirts may be worn for lessons and a plain navy t-shirt may be worn for PE).

Nearly new uniform is available from the school office.

Children should wear school uniform at all times.

Skirts should be of an appropriate length and style.

Children with long hair should have it tied back using a plain, navy or blue and white check, “Alice”-style hair band, plain navy bobble/pony-tail band and simple “Kirby”-style hair-grips. Decorative or embellished hairbands, bobbles/elastics/scrunchies and hair-grips must not be worn.

No jewellery should be worn in school. Children with pierced ears may wear plain studs. These must be removed for all PE activities and the child must be able to put them back in themselves.

No nail varnish.

Children should wear appropriate school shoes and not trainers.

During the Summer term all children should have a cap and a water bottle as part of their PE kit. It is advisable to have a pair of plain navy blue jog bottoms in school.

During the Autumn, Winter and Spring terms, all children should bring a coat to school. This ensures they are able to participate in outdoor activities and playtimes. During the Summer term it is advisable to have a light waterproof coat.

No toys or games should be brought into school unless given special permission by a member of teaching staff.

ALL SCHOOL UNIFORM AND OTHER ITEMS OF CLOTHING MUST BE NAMED

**Safeguarding**

Safeguarding children is a key priority at Tutshill C of E Primary School.

We:

* ensure adults who come into contact with children have enhanced cleared from the Disclosure & Barring Service (which has replaced Criminal Records Bureau);
* communicate child protection procedures to all staff, parents and visitors. We would ask that should you hear, see or read anything which troubles you about a child, do not ignore it, but report your concerns to the Designated Safeguarding Lead, DSL: Miss J Lane
* For further information on safeguarding, contact the Gloucestershire Safeguarding Children’s Board: [www.gscb.org.uk](http://www.gscb.org.uk). Tel: 01452 583638.

**Safeguarding of pupils is everybody’s responsibility. Should you have any concerns please report to the DSL**

**Contact Information**

Please ensure you advise the School Office of any changes to your contact details. It is vital that we have your up to date information for all correspondence purposes.

**School Contact Details**

Telephone: 01291 622593

General email: [office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:office@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

Attendance email: [attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@tutshillcofe.gloucs.sch.uk)

PTA email: [ptatutshill@gmail.com](mailto:ptatutshill@gmail.com)

**Cool Club Contact Details**

If you need to contact Cool Club regarding the breakfast or the after school club, parents can do so by email at [coolclub15@outlook.co.uk](mailto:coolclub15@outlook.co.uk) or by their contact phone number on 07763 479119.

**School Calendar**

Please be sure to regularly check the school calendar for events. This can be looked at on the school website or the eSchools app.

**Diary Dates – At a Glance**

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| **MONTH** | **DATE** | **EVENT** |
| **Sept 2019** | 2 | INSET DAY |
|  | 3 | Term 1 begins |
|  | 26 | School Photographs |
| **Oct 2019** | 25 | Term 1 ends |
| **Nov 2019** | 4 | INSET DAY |
|  | 5 | Term 2 begins |
| **Dec 2019** | 20 | Term 2 ends |
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**Term and Holiday Dates 2019/2020**

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| **Term 1 2019**  Term begins  Term ends | 2 September 2019 (Inset Day)  3 September 2019  25 October 2019 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 2 2019**  Term begins  Term ends | 4 November 2019 (Inset Day)  5 November 2019  20 December 2019 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 3 2020**  Term begins  Term ends | 6 January 2020  14 February 2020 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 4 2020**  Term begins  Term ends  Good Friday  Easter Monday | 24 February 2020 (Inset Day)  25 February 2020  3 April 2020 – 3.15pm finish  10 April 2020  13 April 2020 |
| **Term 5 2020**  Term begins  May Day Bank Holiday  Term ends | 20 April 2020  8 May 2020  22 May 2020 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 6 2020**  Term begins  Term ends | 1 June 2020 (Inset Day)  2 June 2020  17 July 2020 – 1pm finish  20 July 2020 (Inset Day) |

School will be closed for in-service training on the following dates:

2 September 2019

4 November 2019

24 February 2020

1 June 2020

20 July 2020

These dates are in line with Gloucestershire County Council term dates.

Created: June 2018

**Term and Holiday Dates 2020/2021**

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| **Term 1 2020**  Term begins  Term ends | 1 September 2020 (Inset Day)  2 September 2020  22 October 2020 – 3.15pm finish  23 October 2020 (Inset Day) |
| **Term 2 2020**  Term begins  Term ends | 2 November 2020  18 December 2020 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 3 2021**  Term begins  Term ends | 4 January 2021 (Inset Day)  5 January 2021  12 February 2021 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 4 2021**  Term begins  Term ends  Good Friday  Easter Monday | 22 February 2021  15 March 2021 (Inset Day)  1 April 2021 – 3.15pm finish  2 April 2021  5 April 2021 |
| **Term 5 2021**  Term begins  May Day Bank Holiday  Term ends | 19 April 2021  3 May 2021  28 May 2021 – 3.15pm finish |
| **Term 6 2021**  Term begins  Term ends | 7 June 2021 (Inset Day)  8 June 2021  21 July 2021 – 1pm finish |

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1 September 2020

23 October 2020

4 January 2021

15 March 2021

7 June 2021

Created: March 2019