Tickenham Church of England Primary School

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CHRISTIAN VALUE – COMPASSION

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. – **Colossians 3:12**

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half-term break; I can't believe we're now in Term 2 and festive fun will begin soon! Starting with my Christmas Choir which I'll be talking to the children about soon so please keep an eye out for a sign-up link if your child is interested.

PARENTS' EVENING

We are looking forward to meeting with parents and carers at our Parent Meetings next week. Appointments will take place on Wednesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm and Thursday from 3:30pm to 6:30pm, with booking via Bromcom opening at 9:00am on Tuesday 3rd November. Where possible, we kindly ask that parents attend together and book a single appointment. If this is not possible, please contact the school office, as we may have to open additional appointment slots to accommodate separate meetings. We value these opportunities to celebrate your child's achievements, discuss their progress and work together to support their ongoing learning and development. If you have anything you wish to talk to your child's teacher about, please email the class email beforehand to allow the teacher time to be ready to discuss with you during your slot. The gates are opened every 10 minutes to allow parents/carers to enter and leave so please arrive 10 minutes before if you'd like to look at your child's work before your meeting time but you are also welcome to stay for 10 minutes after your appointment to look then if you'd prefer.

This year, we are also excited to introduce 'Proud Post'. After looking through your child's work, you will have the opportunity to write them a handwritten note, which will then be delivered to them in school. We're sure that the children will love receiving these special messages so please do look out for the Proud Post station in the hall during your visit.

TSA – BONFIRE TREATS

On Friday, 6th November, the TSA will be selling bonfire treats after school so please do bring your change with you when you pick up! If you are able to donate any **nut-free** cakes/ bonfire treats, please can you drop them to the school office from Thursday afternoon.

OPEN AFTERNOON

Over the half term, more of our communal areas were painted and look great & refreshed! We would like to invite you to our open afternoon for parents/carers on Friday 20th November from 2:30pm where you can have a look around and see what your children have been up to!

DISCO: 20TH NOVEMBER

Tickets for the disco will be released on Thursday, 5th November, at 6pm. In the first instance, tickets will be available for children who attend Tickenham School and one adult per family. Children need to be supervised by an adult at this event but you can arrange for school friends' parents/carers to look after your child if you're unable to attend. Any spare tickets will be released next Tuesday.

POPPY APPEAL

On behalf of the Royal British Legion, we are selling Poppy items to raise vital funds for the Armed Forces Community. We have a collection of Poppy items available for sale. Please see below suggested donation amounts:

Zip Pull: 50p, Silicon Wristband: £1.00, Reflectors: 50p, Snap Bands: £1.50, Paper Poppies: (Stick on): 50p Metal Poppies: (limited): £3 to £5

These items will be for sale every day this week (weather permitting) after school. Children can also purchase these items from the School Office during their morning break. If you would like your child to purchase any of these items, please ensure that they bring the correct money as we don't have any change.

I hope you all have a lovely week,

Miss Carter
Head Teacher

HEAD'S AWARDS

Reception/Key Stage 1: Tamsin U

Tamsin for being such a kind, helpful and fantastic member of our class. She has settled into school so well, listens wonderfully and takes turns with her friends. Tamsin also shares her ideas and contributes brilliantly to class discussions. Keep shining, Tamsin!

Key Stage 2: Darcy D

Darcy for her cheerful spirit, practical approach and positive attitude which brightens every day. Darcy brings enthusiasm, joy and kindness to all she does. Thank you for being a ray of sunshine in Cedar Class!



TERM DATES 2026/2027

Term 1: Tuesday 1 September 2026 to Wednesday 21st October 2026
Term 2: Monday 2 November 2026 to Friday 18 December 2026
Term 3: Monday 4 January 2027 to Friday 12 February 2027
Term 4: Monday 22 February 2027 to Thursday 25 March 2027
Term 5: Monday 12 April 2027 to Friday 28 May 2027
Term 6: Monday 7 June 2027 to Friday 23rd July 2027

INSET DAYS 26/27

Monday 4th January 2027
Friday 30th April 2027
Friday 9th July 2027

KEY SCHOOL DATES	
Parents Evening	Wednesday 11th November 1-3pm
Parents Evening	Thursday 12th November 3.30-6.30pm
TSA Winter Disco	Friday 20th November 6pm – 8pm
Class Photos	Monday 23rd November
Nativity - Willow & Oak	Tuesday 8th December 10am
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Christmas Fair	Saturday 12th December
Panto at Bristol Hippodrome	Wednesday 16th December
Christmas Service at Church	Friday 18th December

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TICKENHAM TRIUMPHS!

Head Teacher's Awards







Willow

Arnold B has been awarded the Diamond Award for brilliant decoding in phonics this week. Arnold is noticing lots of phonemes and blending three letter words.

Elsie HC has been awarded the Emerald Award for showing fantastic resilience when blending words. Elsie keeps trying even when it is tricky.

Oak

Leon E has been awarded the Sapphire Award for brilliant focus in English this week. Leon listened carefully and then set out to show off his skills in our story about Sunny the meerkat.

Thomas E has been awarded the Amethyst Award for trying his very best this week in his writing and using fantastic adjectives and conjunctions in his story.

Acacia

Chloe Y has been awarded the Topaz Award for using encouraging words to help a friend play an instrument in music.

Jude S has been awarded the Emerald Award for bouncing back brilliantly and ending the week and term with positivity, maturity and a great attitude.

Bella-May H has been awarded the Amethyst Award for always pushing herself to complete the best work she can and not letting distractions get in her way.

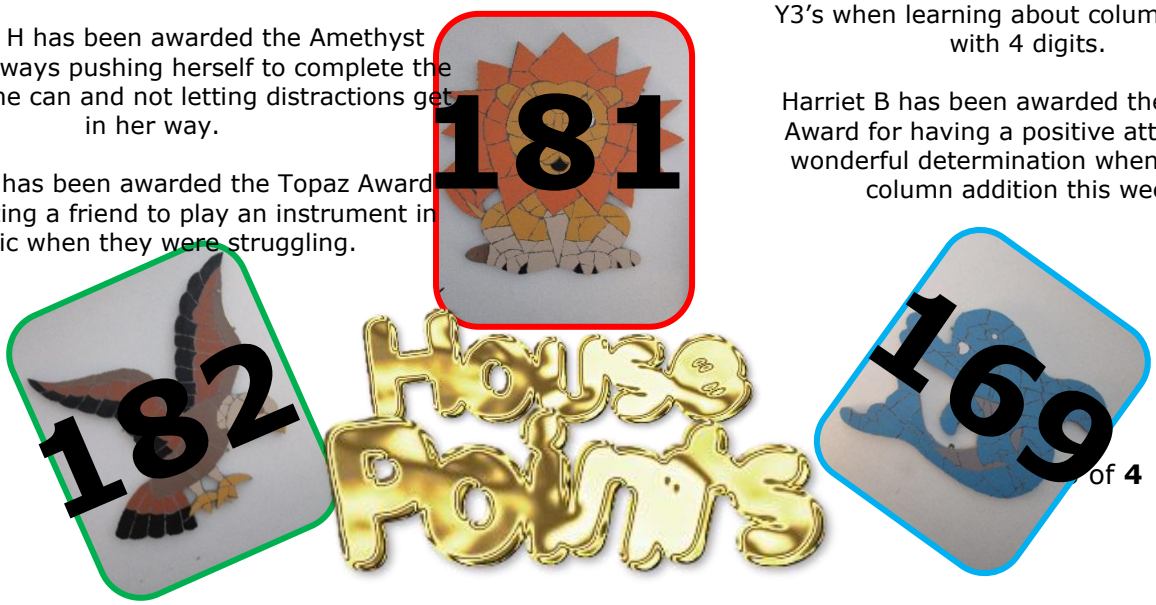
Winston B has been awarded the Topaz Award for supporting a friend to play an instrument in music when they were struggling.

Cedar

Robin W has been awarded the Ruby Award for noticing when others need help on the playground. What a kindness superstar!

Georgia S has been awarded the Topaz Award for being a fabulous learning partner to the Y3's when learning about column addition with 4 digits.

Harriet B has been awarded the Emerald Award for having a positive attitude and wonderful determination when learning column addition this week.




PLEASE JOIN US FOR
TICKENHAM SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS FAIR
CRAFT STALLS – HOMEMADE CAKE
CAFE – CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
FESTIVE GAMES & FUN STALLS
CHILDREN'S CHOIR PERFORMANCE
Saturday 12th December
TICKENHAM VILLAGE HALL
9:30AM TO 12:00PM
TSA