Tickenham Church of England Primary School

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CHRISTIAN VALUE – COMPASSION

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. – **1 Peter 3:8**

Dear Parents / Carers,

The weather is certainly showing us that winter is on the way! Please can you ensure your child comes to school each day with the correct uniform/footwear on as well as a jumper and a coat. Having a coat in school is really useful as we often see multiple seasons in one day!

PARENTS' EVENING

Thank you to everyone who has booked a Parents' Evening appointment. We always look forward to these opportunities to celebrate your child's achievements and talk about how they are getting on in school. If you can, please arrive around 10 minutes before your appointment so that you have time to enjoy looking through your child's work. As you do, keep an eye out for our 'Proud Post' cards. After seeing their learning and chatting with their teacher, we'd love you to write your child a little note. It might be a simple well done, something you've noticed them improving in, or something that has made you particularly proud. These little messages will then be delivered to your child in their classroom and we know they'll love receiving them! All entry and exiting will be via the wooden double gates which are opened every 10 minutes. Please don't park in the school carpark as this needs to be accessible.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

I'm delighted to be running our Christmas Choir again this year! We'll be busy spreading a little festive cheer by performing at several events including Carols at the Barn, the MNDA Afternoon (during school time) and our Christmas Fair. Choir rehearsals will take place on Monday lunchtimes at 12:30pm and I'd love to welcome lots of enthusiastic singers. If your child would like to take part, please complete the sign-up form here: Christmas Choir – Fill in form

CHRISTMAS STAY AND PLAY

If you have a younger child due to start Reception in September 2027, we'd be delighted to welcome you to our Christmas Stay & Play session on 30th November from 9:15am to 10:15am. It's a lovely chance to meet some of the team, explore our Reception environment and enjoy some festive fun together. If you're able to join us, please let us know here: Tickenham's Stay and Play! – Fill in form

OPEN AFTERNOON

We know that parents love seeing what school life looks like day-to-day, so we'd love to invite you to our Open Afternoon on Friday 20th November from 2:30pm. It's a wonderful opportunity to come into school, have a look around, see the classrooms and celebrate all the fantastic learning that has taken place so far this term. We hope many of you will be able to join us. It's always lovely to have families in school and share what makes our school such a special place.

CAKE TINS

Thank you very much to all who donated a cake last week, it was very much appreciated. Your cake containers are in the school office for collection, please.

I hope you all have a lovely week,

Miss Carter
Head Teacher

HEAD'S AWARDS

Reception/Key Stage 1: Phoebe M

Phoebe for being a true superstar in Oak Class! She shines every day with her amazing focus, determination, and enthusiasm for learning. Phoebe always tries her very best and consistently shows respect and kindness towards others. We are so proud of the wonderful example she sets for everyone around her!

Key Stage 2: Henry GJ

Henry for settling into Year 6 at Tickenham School brilliantly, with confidence and maturity. His positive approach to learning, strong friendships and knowledgeable contributions have made him a valued member of our school community. Great job and keep being you, Henry!



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

Reggie D has been awarded the Happiness Award for coming back after half term with a positive attitude, a big smile and lots of enthusiasm.

Oscar MV has been awarded the Amethyst Award for trying so hard to remember his phonic sounds and letter formation.

Oak

Lyra G has been awarded the Emerald Award for settling in so brilliantly into Oak Class. Lyra has been brave, positive and keen to learn.

Max F has been awarded the Sapphire Award for focusing brilliantly on his letter formation this week.

Daniel R has been awarded the Obsidian Award for sharing fantastic general knowledge during our learning about Antarctica.

Acacia

Woody HC has been awarded the Emerald Award for working hard to improve his non-chronological report introduction.

Jesse W has been awarded the Obsidian Award for having amazing knowledge of the Victorian way of life at Tyntesfield House this week.

Jude S has been awarded the Sapphire Award for working really hard to improve his reading comprehension.

Cedar

Jasper S has been awarded the Amethyst Award for excellent effort in both word choice and presentation when writing his non-chronological report this week.

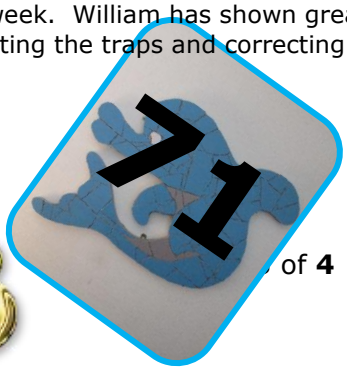
Destiny W has been awarded the Topaz Award for showing patience and encouragement to her peers when learning about column subtraction.

William K has been awarded the Sapphire Award for being a super mathematician this week. William has shown great focus spotting the traps and correcting his errors.





House Points




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