# **Trowse Primary School**

# Autumn has definitely arrived ....

The current weather is a bit of a shock to the system after the lovely summer days, so please ensure that your child has suitable wet weather clothing, including waterproof coats and footwear. Umbrella's are not permitted in school as I am sure you can imagine what it would be like if we had 200 soggy umbrellas to deal with! But obviously welcome to bring them to the gate and parents take them home with them.

The first few weeks have gone really well in school: all the children have settled in brilliantly and there's loads of learning going on.

Thank you for your support with the fete, we were so lucky with the weather and FOTS advise me that we have made over £2,000. The Macmillan coffee morning last week also made over £300, so again thank you to all that supported it.

The "Meet the Teacher" sessions were really well received and I hope you all have a sense of knowing the teacher in your child's class and all the exciting things they have planned for this year, as well as knowing how you can help your child at home to really succeed with their education.

We have already had some fabulous school trips – Year 6 visiting Pensthorpe and Year 2 are off to the East Anglian Transport Museum this week. Year 5 also had an amazing experience with 'The Wonderdome' visiting on Monday. The International Primary Curriculum certainly brings exciting topics and learning experiences to enhance an already exciting school day!

The children have elected their **House Captains** and they are:

Discovery (reds)  Amber and Delilah	Victory (greens) Freddie and Imogen
Endeavour (blues) Cece and Ivy	Invincible (yellows)  Matilda and Hugo



Dates...

# See full list at the end of this newsletter

Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 3.30 – 6.30

Parents Evenings

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2-3pm (before pick-up)

Phonics workshop for families.

**Thursday, 24**<sup>th</sup> **October** Last day of this half term

**Monday 4**th **November** Back to school

**Friday 20**<sup>th</sup> **December** School finishes for Christmas holidays.

#### Need to contact us?

Pepperpot Drive, Trowse, Norwich, Norfolk, NR14 8TU Tel: 01603 622485



#### **School Councilors** have also been elected:

Year 1 Rhia and Chase	Year 2 Rowan and Hendrix	Year 3 Mason and Wren
Year 4 Dexter and Barnaby	Year 5 Leo and Dottie	Year 6 Lebua and Sebastian

## What's been going on around and about?



Year Two carried out a traffic survey as part of their topic, **From A to B!** 

Year one had a lovely time being scientists as part of their first topic of the year- 'Brainwave' Years 1-6 all have a Brainwave topic for the first 3 weeks of term in September. It focusses all the children on what it is to be a good learner and helps get them ready to be great learners for the rest of the year.





Year 5 had an excellent day on the 30<sup>th</sup> September when The Wonderdome came to visit! Dr Dave (who actually worked on a space telescope for NASA!) took us on a journey through the cosmos, introducing us to stars, the space race, planets and more! The day really did energise and excite the children for their upcoming topic, Space Scientists!

#### Parents Evenings – Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 3.30 – 6.30

Parents evening bookings are open and we can see that many of you have already made appointments to see your child's teacher — if you have not booked an appointment yet please follow this link <a href="mailto:trowse.schoolcloud.co.uk">trowse.schoolcloud.co.uk</a> or give the office a call and they will help you.

### **Phonics Workshop**

Mrs Wahiwala-Richardson and Mrs Elvin will be running a phonics workshop for parents on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October from 2-3pm in the school hall. This is of course mainly relevant to families of our youngest children. This is to help you know more about how we teach reading and phonics in particular. It will help you know how we say the sounds and how we can best work together (us at school, you at home) to help your child get off to a flying start with their reading!

#### **Governor Vacancies**

We currently have vacancies on the Governing Body. Firstly, we have a vacancy for a parent. Nomination papers will come out soon! If you might consider it, do call in and speak to Mrs Andrews or Mr Odell to find out more about the role!

We also have a Space for a Co-opted governor or a governor approved to sit in the 'Local Authority governor' position. If you know someone who would be great, and is not a parent, do let them know to get in touch!

### **Nurture Provision and Parent Support**

We are so lucky to be able to offer nurture provision and parent support here at Trowse, this year we are splitting the role and Mrs Lacey will focus on nurture provision for the children – she will be in school on a Wednesday to Friday. All referrals to Mrs Lacey need to come from the child's class teacher – they should always be your first point of contact. Mr Odell is our Parent Support Advisor, if you have any issues that you feel you would like to discuss with him, then please make an appointment by ringing the office in the first instance.

#### **Uniform**

FIRSTLY, PLEASE MAKER SURE EVERYTHING IS NAMED! We still have a lot of lost property with no names! Please make sure long hair is tied back and that children have black shoes for their uniform.

We also have a 'NEW TO YOU' Option which is run by the school office. Please do bring in any donations of out-grown, clean, good quality uniform, then the rail will be available every Friday afternoon or occasions such as parents' evenings. You can always email or phone the school office if you cannot get here on a Friday.

That's all for now!

Stuart Odell, Headteacher