

Bringing out the Best in Everyone. 'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 7th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year.

It has been lovely welcoming the children back to school this week and seeing how happy they are to be back in class with their friends. They have returned with great attitudes to learning and we have already seen work of a high standard being produced this week; a great start to the new year.

Omicron Variant

Thank you for your continued support with regular lateral flow testing to help to identify positive cases and reduce the transmission in school. I met with Public Health on Wednesday and they informed school leaders of the high levels across Cheshire West and Chester. Our local authority is currently in the highest 25% of authorities in England and cases are rising. It is vital we continue to be cautious to reduce the risk to staff, children and families.

Last term we had 24 positive cases reported in the last week of the autumn term. This week we have one member of staff self-isolating, who thankfully only has mild symptoms, and we hope will return next week. Please follow the guidance to help keep our school family safe.

We are monitoring the CO2 levels in all classes and have installed a HEPA filter this week in the House Martins class. After monitoring the CO2 levels and the impact of the HEPA filter, we have now purchased a HEPA filter for the Kestrels class.

Windows and doors are open in all classes to reduce C02 levels so we recommend children wear layers as classes can be quite cold.

Online Safety

Please click on the link to view our latest online safety newsletter: http://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/4368883

Next week's menu is WEEK 2

http://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/2513181

Due to supply issues, jacket potatoes have been replaced with a deli option on Monday and on Thursday chicken curry will replace the BBQ chicken option.

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This week's Class Dojo Champions are:



Kestrels, with an amazing 227 points. As a treat they will enjoy an additional playtime on Monday. Well done.

Wrens & Bluebell Nursery	Robins	House Martins	Kestrels
98	35	127	227



Our Star Hand Writer



Year 1	Georgia
Year 2	Laurie
Year 3	Nell
Year 4	Sienna L
Year 5	Carys
Year 6	Fraser

This week's personal development goal is try new things. Well done to the following children who have tried something new this week.



Stars of the Week



YR	Evelyn: trying new ways of creating stories.
Y1	Katie: always trying and giving her best.
Y2	Harrison: working independently and tackling challenges head on.
Y3	Sophie N: trying new ways to be independent in everything that's he does.
Y4	Harry T: fabulous science work and trying new ways to present his findings.
Y5	John: trying hard with his times tables.
Y6	Peter: contributing great ideas in Geography.

TSA Meeting

The TSA would like to invite you all to attend the first meeting of the year on Monday 10th January 2022 at 1pm. Due to the current situation and restrictions in school, the meeting will be via Zoom. Please click on the link if you would like to join the meeting to plan exciting fundraising events for this year. All parents are welcome! https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89947407318?pwd=TkZHYkNsVzhzNkRjZGRBS0dObnUzdz09

Meeting ID: 899 4740 7318

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A message from the TSA.... Christmas Jumper Swap 2022

This year we are hoping to organise a festive jumper swap shop, and we need your donations. This is such a wonderful idea as many Christmas jumpers are often only worn on a few occasions and not only does it mean they can go to a good home, but we will also be doing our bit for the environment. Did you know that, in 2017, shockingly, a quarter of Christmas jumpers that were bought were only worn once and then thrown away! Also, many Christmas jumpers contain plastic, so we need to keep them out of landfill!

If you could bring any outgrown jumpers into school looking for a new home, washed, and ideally folded in a zip lock bag over the next couple of weeks, we will keep them snug until our Great Big Christmas Jumper Swap in November 2022.

Thank you – Tilston School Association

It's our Birthday!

On Friday 14th January 2022, we will be celebrating our birthday- 150 years! We really want to involve our school community in our celebrations and are hoping to plan a summer garden party later in the year.



We will be celebrating our special day with the children next Friday and Mrs Evans has kindly offered to make us a very special birthday cake.

Prayer of the week

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity and love. May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful new year. May the Lord make your New Year a happy one.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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