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Friday 16th June 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a good week and have been enjoying the sunshine.

**Congratulations to our Platinums this week:**

<b>Elliott Edgeworth-Crisp</b>	<b>Willow O'Hanlon</b>
<b>Fenella Ross</b>	<b>Lily Taylor-Phelps</b>
<b>Ewan MacDonald</b>	

**Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 20th June - 6.00pm Tewkesbury Primary Athletics at Tewkesbury school (selected children from KS2)

Tuesday 20th June - Rabbits Class Trip to All Things Wild

Thursday 22nd June - "Twynning Old and New" history talks Years 1-6

Wednesday 5th July - Sports Day on the green (PM)

July 6th & 7th 2023 - Y3&4 Oakraven residential trip

Friday 7th July - Year 5&6 trip to the Tewkesbury Medieval Festival for Children

Tuesday 11th July - New Reception Class - Stay and Play

Wednesday 19th July - Summer Disco (R, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4) 5:30pm - 6:15pm

Wednesday 19th July - Leavers Disco (years 5&6) 6:30pm onwards (details to come)

Tuesday 25th July - "Break the Rules" Day! (see PTFA notice board on playground wall)

Tuesday 25th July - last day of term.

Monday 4th September & Tuesday 5th September - INSET days

Wednesday 6th September - NEW TERM begins

**Bag2School Day**

Thank you all for bringing your filled bags to school yesterday morning! We raised a massive £110!

**Parking**

Please can everyone be parking further away from School next week and in the following weeks while the build is progressing. On Monday there will be many lorry deliveries and the roadside parking (on the left in front of the school, opposite The Green) will be coned off for this reason and for the contractors vans. Thank you all for your patience.

### **History talks “Twyning old and new”**

On Thursday 22nd June years 1 to 6 will be having a visit from local historian Mr Pete Healey who will be coming to school to talk to the children about how Twyning has changed over the years. We will be walking on the Village Green and the area around the Shop and School and looking at how these areas have changed.

### **GCF Open Cricket Tournament**

Huge congratulations to Lottie, Oscar, Josh, Archie, Flynn, Levi and Bobby for entering into the GCF cricket tournament at Tewkesbury Cricket Club. They played magnificently well as a team. After being defeated by Tirlbrook and beating Bromsberrow and Widden by a large total, the team progressed into the semi-final of the competition. The semi-final was extremely difficult against Bishops Cleeve who ended up victorious. A valiant effort in the end saw them only lose 1 wicket against 6 other players who all played regular club cricket. Well done, team!

### **Mini tennis festival**

On Tuesday, ten Y3&4 children attended a mini tennis festival at Tewkesbury school. There were 24 children in total and they played doubles games against several different pairs. The aim of the festival was to expose children to tennis and see enjoyment and improvement in play. School games wristbands for the values of sportsmanship were awarded at the end with Sam receiving one for respect and Maisie for teamwork. Well done to Arianne, Sam H, Livvy, Maisie, Keira N, Zane, Hallie, Holly, Leo and William. Thanks go to Mrs Dorkings for assisting us with the festival.

In addition, there is a 'Give tennis a go' day at Twyning tennis club (TRAC site) this Sunday - please see the attached poster for details.

### **Tewkesbury primary athletics championships - Tuesday 20th June**

This coming Tuesday will be the biggest sporting event of the year. We look forward to seeing our selected children from KS2 compete against the other local

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**FIND US:** Twyning Lawn Tennis Club (We are an outdoor venue)  
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**We look forward to seeing you!**

schools. Please can parents car share where possible, arriving by 5.20pm at the latest and a reminder to bring cash for the refreshments stall. The competing children must have a water bottle and snack.

### **New Classroom update**

Barnwood Construction have been at school today, fencing off areas in readiness for our new build which will start next week.. We are looking forward to seeing the build get started.

### **The Secret Garden Steps and walled area**

We are extremely grateful to Josh Wilkins and Costain who have kindly volunteered to spend some time next week in our Secret Garden, rebuilding the crumbling wooden walls and steps. We are so excited to see what they build for us!

### **Lost PE tops**

**Please could you have a look at home for any items of clothing that may have gone home by mistake - in particular lost PE tops (the zip up ones). We have a couple of children with missing items. We are told these were named items. Many thanks.**

### **Calling all Tigresses!**

Twyning Tigers Football Club would like to invite all girls aged 6yrs-11 to the top field at TRAC between 10 and 11 am this Saturday 17th June! They will giving the girls some specialised sessions with their Head Coach. This is an open session for any current, new or returning girls who would like to go along. Please contact Rachel Allard to book on 07702 544478.

### **Sports Day**

Our annual Sports Day is being held on the afternoon of Wednesday 5th July on the Green (weather permitting). We always need helpers for this exciting and memorable event, so if you are able to help Mrs Leggett at all please can you email [jleggett@twyning.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:jleggett@twyning.gloucs.sch.uk) ? It could be that you are helping with one of the events/activities or with getting all the equipment ready and set up beforehand - let us know your preference. Many thanks.

### **Sports Day - change to lunches**

We will be serving lunch earlier than usual so that we will be ready for sports day in the afternoon. Choices for school dinners will be meat hotdog or vegetarian hotdogs with wedges & an ice cream tub for dessert.

### **Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF)**

The Holiday Activity Fund is returning this summer for children and young people in reception to year 11, who are eligible for *pupil premium free school meals*. The programme runs during the summer holiday. Online activity bookings for the HAF programme open at 12pm 5 July. Bookings usually go very fast after launch, so it is important to ensure families are

A promotional poster for the Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF). The top half features a photograph of children in colorful sports gear. Overlaid on the photo is a blue banner with the text 'HAF is returning' in white, and a pink banner below it with 'this Summer!' in white. The bottom half of the poster has a solid blue background with white text. It states: 'Children and young people can make new friends, try new foods and learn new skills.' followed by 'The Holiday Activities and Food Programme offers a wide range of fun activities during the summer holidays – all for free.' and 'Online bookings go live from 5 July 2023 at 12pm.' It provides contact information: 'To find out more about and check eligibility: Email: [HAFparentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:HAFparentenquiries@gloucestershire.gov.uk) Visit: [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF)'. At the bottom left is a QR code with the text 'SCAN ME' below it. At the bottom right is the Gloucestershire County Council logo and name.

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Visit: [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/HAF)

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informed of this before the date. Families can make sure they are HAF ready by registering on our Children's Activity Booking System (CABS). Please click this link:  
<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/holiday-activities-and-food-programme/register-for-our-childrens-activities-booking-system/>

### **Tennis**

Please see the attached leaflets below - the link to book is  
<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/Events/TwyningLawnTennisClub/e1fabef1-ac45-401a-9984-38363a3e5def>

### **Keeping our children safe online:**

This week we would like to draw your attention to another helpful link. Through the NSPCC there is high-quality information about keeping children safe online.



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

We particularly want to focus on 'online wellbeing' this week. It is important for all children to have social media and online 'breaks' that enable a balance with other activities.

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### **Your feedback is important to us!**

Thanks to those of you who have been busy filling out the surveys on School Spider. It is so useful to get your feedback and we appreciate your thoughts and comments.

### **Contact**

Please feel free to make contact with me via email [head@twyning.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:head@twyning.gloucs.sch.uk) should you need to speak to me. During evenings and weekends, I may not be able to respond to you straight away but I will make contact with you during normal working hours as soon as I can. Many thanks for all of your support.

Kindest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Halling'.

Mrs Lucy Halling, Headteacher

### **Some useful links:**

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

<https://www.coolmilk.com/>



**WALKING  
TENNIS**

A photograph of four people (two women and two men) shaking hands on a tennis court. They are all smiling and appear to be of a similar age group. The background shows a green tennis court and some trees.

# TENNIS AT YOUR PACE

No running, no jumping and you can let the ball bounce twice. Less speed, but just as much fun

**COME AND GIVE WALKING TENNIS A  
TRY AT TWYNING TENNIS CLUB!**

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## Neurodiversi-TEA Natters

Coffee Morning for families with Neurodiverse Children



Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June

10:00 - 11:30 am

Twynning Chapel, GL20 6JW



Come and chat with other families of children who are Neurodiverse, including those with:

Dyslexia

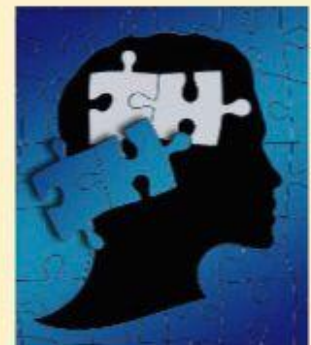
Dyscalculia

ASD (Autism)

ADHD

DLD (Developmental Language Disorder)

DCD (Dyspraxia)



Meet other friendly and like-minded families over coffee and cake.

Featuring a short talk by Zaphira from the ADHD Hub Gloucestershire plus our regular "Tabletop Sell or Swap" sale.

For more information, please contact:

[emilyhastingsactingup@gmail.com](mailto:emilyhastingsactingup@gmail.com) or [katemorristutoring@gmail.com](mailto:katemorristutoring@gmail.com)



## Summer Family Fun Afternoon

2:00pm-3:25pm    3:30pm-5:00pm

Friday 11th August 2023

Tewkesbury Baptist Church, GL20 5DR

Free of charge— but donations gratefully received



For families with **Neurodiversity** to meet together -  
parents, children and teenagers to chat, have fun, meet new  
people and share experiences!

Fun activities for all ages in separate rooms.

Refreshments

Summer crafts

Sensory room

Age 10 to teens hangout zone

Bouncy castle

Pool table



For booking, please contact:

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