



# GEMS Twickenham Primary Academy Newsletter

Principal: Mr. John Smith

Summer Term Term: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2019



**Dear Parents,**

I hope you have had a lovely week, and are looking forward to the weekend ahead. Thank you for all of your support today with the Enterprise Stalls – and buying all the lovely products that the children had made.

## **Local Academy Board:**

Last week, the Local Academy Board met for their termly meeting and we have decided to appoint two LAB members to support with Stakeholder and Parental Engagement. Pari Dhillon will oversee Reception and Key Stage 1; Stuart Bessent for Key Stage 2. Furthermore, there will be 3 Principal coffee mornings during the next academic year in which all parents are invited to attend in order to raise questions that they may have about the school, vision and direction. The key questions will be submitted to the LAB in advance, and after the summer we will direct you to an email address to raise these. The first coffee morning is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 08:45 am.

Below are the photos of Pari and Stuart in case your aren't aware of who they are. Their photos will also be put up on the staff board in the foyer.



Stuart Bessent

Pari Dhillon

## **PTA:**

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to Beth Hodder who is stepping down as Chair of the PTA. Beth has been an incredible champion of Twickenham Primary Academy since its opening and has supported the school alongside the PTA is raising thousands of pounds. Beth, thank you very much from all of us, and we look forward to continuing our work with you as a member of the PTA.

## **Afterschool Clubs:**

A reminder that there are no After School clubs next week unless teachers have arranged make up sessions privately. The clubs for the next academic year will be sent out the first week back after the summer holiday. However, Dance club will be replaced by Choir on a Wednesday due to school timetabling.

**House Points: This house point treat will be a visit from the Ice Cream man**

House	Points
Parks	902
Gandhi	901
Pankhurst	906
Shackleton	910

**Attendance:**

In line with DFE guidance, that the school does not authorise any holiday. Thank you. All holiday is coded as an unauthorised absence on the school's register.

Year Group	Target (97%)
Reception	96.5%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	96.5%
Year 3	96.8%
Whole School	96.7%

**Key Dates:**

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Meet the Teacher (in house transitions)
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Final Reports to Parents
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3 Charlie and the Chocolate performances (pre booked tickets) <b>09:15 am</b> <b>2:00 pm</b>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA – School Disco
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	School Closes at 2:00 pm - Mufti Day £1

**Twitter:**

Please follow us on [@GemsTwickenham](https://twitter.com/GemsTwickenham) for all the latest news and updates. Please download the school app for regular updates

Have a lovely weekend,



**Mr John Smith**  
Principal

Key Dates for Autumn 2020 – Correct at the time of publishing but subject to change

<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	School Closed for Inset Training
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	School Closed for Inset Training
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Term starts for Reception pupils <u>only</u> . Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> until Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> the Reception pupils will finish at <b><u>1:30 pm</u></b>  <b><u>Coffee with the Head teacher and PTA from 08:45 am</u></b>
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September from 7:00 pm</b>	Reception Parents meeting in the school Hall
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Term starts <b><u>Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4</u></b> <b>Year 1: 3:45 pm</b> <b>Year 2: 3:50 pm</b> <b>Year 3: 3:55 pm</b> <b>Year 4: 4:00 pm</b>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Afterschool Club Communications to go out External and Internal
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September from 7:00 pm</b>	Year 1 Curriculum Evening in the school hall
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 7:00 pm</b>	Year 2 Curriculum Evening in the school hall
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September from 7:00 pm</b>	Year 3 Curriculum Evening in the school hall
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September from 7:00 pm</b>	Year 4 Curriculum Evening in the school hall
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September from 7:30 pm</b>	PTA – Parent social at the Prince Blucher
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Afterschool Clubs Begin
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b>	School Nurse into see Reception for Teeth Cleaning
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September</b>	PTA Meeting – Open to all parents
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Jeans for Genes Charity Day
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October</b>	Black History Month Begins in School,
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October</b>	School Nurse into see Year One for Teeth Cleaning
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Parent Drop off from Reception to Year 4
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Twickenham Primary Academy – Open Day 2019 (Prospective Parents Only)
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 1 to the Whipsnade Zoo
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 4:00 pm</b>	PTA – Year 3 and 4 movie night
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Key Stage 2 Parent Workshops English 09:15 – 10:15 Mathematics 10:30 – 11:30
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 4 to the British Museum
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> (TBC) October</b>	Year 3 to the National History Museum
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b>	School Nurse into see Year 1 for Handwashing
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October from 4:00 pm</b>	PTA Movie Night (Year 3 and 4)
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October</b>	House Day – to be coordinated by the House Captains
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30 pm</b>	PTA – Second hand uniform and Bake Sale

<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	Half Term
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>	School Closed for Inset
<b>Date TBC / Autumn schedules not yet available</b>	Reception to the Polka Theatre
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November from 09:15 am</b>	Phonics Workshop for Reception Parents
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 2:45 pm</b>	PTA –Reception and Year 1 Litter Pick
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Remembrance Day
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Parents Evening
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	School Nurse into see Year 1 – 4 for Low Mood Workshop
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November from 08:45 am</b>	Principal's Coffee Morning and Questions in the Dining Hall - all parents welcome
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November onwards</b>	Switch off Fortnight
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November onwards</b>	Year 3 Safe walking
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	School Nurse into see Reception to Year 4 for Healthy Eating
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 09:15</b>	Reception Christmas Performance
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	Key Stage 1 Parent Workshop English 09:15 – 10:15 Mathematics 10:30 – 11:30
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Whole School Book Fair
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 2:00 pm</b>	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm</b>	PTA Christmas Fayre
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Final Week for Clubs
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December from 08:30 am</b>	Parents Drop off Reception to Year 4
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December – School closed from 1:30 pm</b>	Varsity Match
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December onwards</b>	No Afterschool Clubs
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Jumper Day
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	End of Term – School closed from 2:00 pm (No Wrap Around Care)

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2019</b>	
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019</b>	<b>School Closed – INSET Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019</b>	<b>School Closed – INSET Day</b>
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019</b>	<b>Reception Pupils Start school 09:00 am until 1:30 pm (1:30 pm finish all week)</b>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019</b>	<b>All pupils (Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4) return from 08:30 am (09:00 am registration)</b>
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b>	<b>School Closed – INSET Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2019</b>	<b>Term Begins</b>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>	<b>Term ends at 2:00pm</b>

<b>SPRING TERM 2020</b>	
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020</b>	<b>School Closed INSET Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020</b>	<b>Term Begins</b>
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020</b>	<b>Term Begins</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020</b>	<b>Term ends at 2:00pm</b>

<b>SUMMER TERM 2020</b>	
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020</b>	<b>School Closed INSET Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020</b>	<b>Term Begins</b>
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday Friday</b>
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020</b>	<b>Term Begins</b>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2020</b>	<b>Term ends at 2:00pm</b>





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