

Tetherdown News!

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Dates for your diary

October		November	
Tuesday 4 th	Parents' Evening 4-7pm & SEN open door	Thursday 3 rd	School Disco Y1-3 5:15-6.00pm Y4-6 6:15-7.00pm
Wednesday 5 th	Year 5 Komodos assembly 9:05	Friday 4 th	Griffins assembly 9:05
Friday 7 th	Year 5 Chameleons assembly 9:05	Thursday 10 th	Curriculum Workshop 7:00-8:30pm
Monday 10 th	Year 2 Fire of London Visit	Wednesday 16 th	Full Governing Body meeting 7.15pm
Monday 10 th	Year 3 Visit - OLM and North Bank Churches	Friday 18 th	Phoenix assembly 9:05
Thursday 13 th	Parents' Evening 4-7pm & SEN open door		
Friday 14 th	Year 4 joint assembly 9:05		December
Wednesday 19 th	PSA AGM 7.00pm	Thursday 1 st	Open Afternoon 2.45-3.30pm
Thursday 20 th	Harvest Festival (for children)		
Thursday 20 th	PSA Film Night Y1-6 5:15-7:00pm		
Friday 21 st	Year 2 joint assembly 9:05		

Dear Parents and Carers

Teachers and staff at the school would like to say a big thank you for all your support whilst the children settle in to the new year. Home learning, reading, practising spellings and times tables are all important to the progress your child makes in the lessons at school. If you are having any "tricky" moments around home learning, please do inform the class teacher for ideas and support.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers to return their child's pupil details check sheet if not already completed. It is vital that we have full details on your child for the school census which takes place next week. The school census informs Haringey of the level of funding we can expect to receive over the course of this year. Please contact the office should you have any questions regarding the completion of the pupil details check sheet. If your child's dietary requirements have changed over the last few weeks, please let us know. It is really important that we have the right information to be able to support your child whilst in school. The kitchen staff are very capable of handling a broad range of requirements – as long as they know about them.

Well done to all the Year 3 children who presented the first Joint Assembly of the year. "Noisy" assembly, named by the children, involved poems, songs and examples of children's writing. We loved the singing and the unusual and gruesome poetry content! Many thanks to all the staff for their support.

Happy Rosh Hashanah to all our Jewish families – we wish you all the best for enjoy celebrations on Monday.

Please make a note of the **revised Open Afternoon** date – Thursday 1st December (2.45-3.30pm). Our reasoning behind the change of date is that children will have been afforded the time to follow up on next steps in their learning discussed at the upcoming Parents' Evening. We hope you will work

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with your child following your meeting with your child's class teacher to support these targets – evidence of which will be collected and recorded in books over the next few weeks.

Have a great weekend.

Tony Woodward
Headteacher

Click [here](#) to see the Reception Class Topic Letter for the autumn term.

Scholastic Book Fair

Many thanks to all our parents and carers for purchasing books from the Scholastic Book Fair. We raised a massive £1,355.00 – 50% of which will be given back to us to buy books for the children. Well done and thank you to all our volunteers helpers and to Ms Sweeney for organizing the Fair.

Tetherdown Orchestra

The Tetherdown Orchestra are pleased to announce there are a few spaces left to join us this term! If your child plays a musical instrument (preferably to Grade 1 standard or above) and would like to make music with others every Tuesday before school, please contact me for further information on phoebefullbrook@hotmail.com We are particularly seeking cellos, flutes, and clarinets, but all applications are welcome.

On a separate note please be advised that there will be NO ORCHESTRA on Tuesday 18th October. However, this will not affect the number of paid sessions as Orchestra will be extended to finish on Tuesday 13th December 2016.

COMMUNITY AND SPORTING NEWS

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Thursday 20th October 2016, and once again we would ask you to send in your gifts for collection. This year Tetherdown Primary School will be supporting [Muswell Hill Soup Kitchen](#). Please bring all donations by Wednesday 19th October 2016 and place them in the Yellow Floor Hub. These will be arranged as our Harvest display for our Thursday Assembly. We hope you will agree that this is a very worthwhile cause, supporting people who need help in our local community.

We were recently approached by Haringey Governor Services to help in their recruitment drive. They are looking for volunteers to join Governing Bodies of schools in Haringey as Governors. Further details can be found [here](#).

Click [here](#) to find out how children have been raising money for Tetherdown.

Open Evenings - The following schools have advised us of their opportunities to visit:

Archer Academy – click [here](#) for details

St Thomas More – click [here](#) for details

The Haberdasher's' Aske's Boys' School – click [here](#) for details

Aldenham – click [here](#) for details

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Reminders

Please check for left lunchboxes and lost property on Tuesdays and Thursdays – items left at the end of a half term will be disposed of to our local charities.

Parking issues

Please remember to respect our neighbours by not blocking their driveways when dropping off or picking up at the end of the day. This applies also to the Yellow Zig-Zag markings outside our school. Thank you.

Reception Intake 2017

Please let us know if your child is due to start school in 2017. Add your child's name to the list kept in the office for children born between 01.09.12 – 31.08.13

Secondary Applications Deadline
31st October 2016

PE Kit

We would like to remind parents that they can purchase either iron on name tapes or sew on name tapes from Stevensons. This can be done on online or over the phone through their customer services department.

T:01727 815 700

www.stevensons.co.uk

Please help us in the office by ensuring your child is prepared with everything they need for the day. We want them to have fun, but if every child forgot something and the office staff were expected to deliver items to each child, they would be very busy all day! We CANNOT guarantee that your child will be matched to their forgotten items in time for when they need it. Sorry ☹

School Visits

With more and more cutbacks from Haringey, schools rely on the generous contributions from parents. We really do appreciate the monies that you send in. All staff understand the sensitivities around this issue and should you find that you are not in a position to make this contribution, please let the school know as soon as possible so that we can consider what support we may be able to offer, and not bother you with constant reminders for contributions. We would like to assure you of our commitment to working in partnership with you under these circumstances, and look forward to your continuing support.

Do you have one of our School Visitor Badges? If so, kindly return it on your next visit to Tetherdown. Many thanks.

Reception Intake 2017

If you live in Haringey and your child was born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013 you will need to apply for a Reception place at infant or primary school for September 2017. If you live outside Haringey you can still apply for schools in Haringey but you must list them on the form of your own Local Authority. We encourage you to apply online for a [school place \(external website\)](#). You can access the internet for free at any Haringey library and you can change your application at any point up until the closing date. Haringey residents should follow the steps below to apply for a reception place.

- [How to apply for a reception place](#)
- [Changing your application](#)
- [Contact the Admissions Service](#)

Download the [Primary School Admissions Booklet 2016 \(PDF, 5MB\)](#)

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PSA NEWS

The PSA would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new children and parents who have joined the school this term; we hope that you are all enjoying the experience so far and we look forward to meeting you throughout the year at the many social events that are planned.

At the last meeting the Committee appointed Alistair McDonough as Chair – Hooray! We await the appointment of a Vice Chair to support the work of the PSA and invite nominations to be put forward to Alistair for consideration at the next PSA meeting.

Many thanks as always to everyone one who has agreed to be a Class Rep this year as your help in creating, organising and delivering the wide variety of events is essential for a successful PSA year. We are always keen to hear from anyone else who has an exciting plan for an event or a burning desire to join in with our work delivering the more traditional events. So, please get in contact or join us at the next PSA meeting.

Finally the PSA AGM will be held at the school at 7:00pm on 19th October 2016 to which everyone is invited. We will report on expenditure, financial situation and ideas for the future.

We look forward to working with you. Please check below for upcoming events.

Dates for your diary:

• PSA AGM	Wednesday 19 th October	Parents/carers	7.00pm
• Film night	Thursday 20 th October	Years 1-6	5.15 – 7.00pm
• School Disco	Thursday 3 rd November	Years 1-3 Years 4-6	5.15 – 6.00pm 6.15 – 7.00pm
• Christmas Fair	12 th December 2016	All welcome	5.00 – 8.00pm
PSA Committee Meeting	9 th November	All welcome in Butterflies Classroom via the Reception Playground	7.45 – 9.00pm

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Breakfast Club

Breakfast club Co-ordinator: Dianne Geen-Moore
Monday – Friday 07:40-08:50
Phone: 07580 576 147 or
Email: breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org
for more information.

Tetherdown After School Club

Manager: Louis Frederick (contact weekdays after 2.00pm)
Monday – Friday 15:30-18:00
Phone: 07580 576 147 or
Email: afterschoolclub@tetherdownschool.org
for more information.

Click [here](#) for a list of the Lunchtime and Afterschool Clubs taking place at Tetherdown

Zumba with Eliza

Party yourself into shape!

Come and join the Latin-inspired, easy to follow, calorie burning, dance fitness party. Feel the music and let loose. Starting on Thursday 29th September, every Thursday 8-9pm.
Tel: 07867383871

Kids Yoga



Age: 5 – 9 Year olds
Cost: £30 for 4 weeks, £10 Drop In
Location: Holy Trinity Church, Church Lane, East Finchley, N2
Click [here](#) for full details

Family Fitness

Family Fitness Activity – New to Tetherdown

We are introducing a new and exciting opportunity for both parents/carers and the children at school. In line with the school's continuing efforts to embrace physical activity and create inclusive opportunities for Tetherdown pupils, we would like to invite you to attend a Family Fitness activity. The details of the activity are outlined below.

Each week the activity will combine having fun with a healthy level of family activity. Activities to be delivered will include Yoga, Pilates, Zumba and Circuits, all lead by a qualified instructor.

Due to the expected high demand for this activity, you will be required to book in advance. Bookings will be taken using ParentPay (please check your account) and will be available for termly blocks. Unfortunately we will be unable to give any refunds for non-attendance and cancelations must be done at least 24 hours prior to the start of the class.

Venue: School Hall (via the Reception Playground)

Date: Wednesdays (21/09/16 – 07/12/16) Term time only.

Time: 6pm – 6:45pm

Cost: £55.00 per term – 1 pupil with 1 adult free £88.00 per term - Family of 4 (must include 1 adult per family of 4; max 2 adults)

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to seeing you at Family Fitness!

Mr Holloway
HLTA (PE Coordinator)