

# THE TACOLNESTON FLYER

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*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace  
1 Peter 4:10*

**Week 1 – 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Our Value for Life this term is Trust.**

## **A Message from Mr Carlyle**

Dear families,

I would like to begin by welcoming you all back for the start of the autumn term 2023. It has been a real pleasure to see our community return from the summer break, looking refreshed and happy. I'd also like to welcome the new children and families to Tacolneston – I hope you will all be very happy here. Everyone has made a really positive start this week and I am very much looking forward to celebrating the achievements of our school over the course of this term.

The start of term brings with it a lot of new information, so I am mindful of not giving out too much in one go. Attached are some key dates for the year ahead, though we will add to this in subsequent flyers, so please try to read these where you can. Of course if you do have any queries regarding events at school then please let us know and we will do our best to answer them.

One of our key foci for this year is to try our best to ensure that attendance is as close to 100% as possible. There will be further information next week regarding attendance, how we can work together to maintain positive attendance profiles and the advice and support from external partners to help families that may be finding this challenging.

Many thanks for all of your positive comments this week and we very much look forward to working with you all in the coming weeks and months.

Best wishes  
Mark Carlyle

## **PE Days**

PE will be on the following days this year.

Monday – Eagles

Tuesday - Robins

Wednesday – Sparrowhawks

Thursday – Eagles / Sparrowhawks

Friday – Kingfishers / Robins



## FOTS AGM

FOTS will be holding their AGM on **Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm** at school and also on Teams. The link will follow.

Please come along and support the Friends, their work is extremely important in supporting the children, helping to fund trips and other activities. This is a useful opportunity to see what goes on and see if you can lend a hand. Even a small amount of your time makes a lot of difference.

## DT Money

During the year your child/children will have the experience of cooking, other culinary experiences and the involvement in all aspects of Design Technology, such as clay model making, using electrical circuits and various art and craft materials. Due to the ever increasing pressure on school budgets, we are asking parents for a voluntary contribution of £5.00 (per child) for the whole year to cover the cost of purchasing extra items needed for Design and Technology.

This is due at the beginning of the Autumn Term, and we would be grateful if you could make your payment via the schools on-line payment system - School Money within the next two weeks.

Thank you for your support.



## Friday Football

Friday Football with Martin will start after school next week.



## Snacks NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please may we remind you that we are a nut free school. Please don't include anything with nuts in your child's lunchbox or snacks. For this reason we also ask that you don't bring birthday treats into school. We have several pupils with severe nut allergies.

If your child brings a mid-morning snack in to school we ask that this is a piece of fruit, vegetables or a cereal bar (no nuts) not chocolate or crisps.

Thank you.



## Car Parking

We would like to remind you that parking in the school car park is for staff and visitors only. We would ask parents to park safely away from school. If you have a disabled badge you are permitted to park in the car park. Please see Mrs Durrant in the office if you have any queries.

## HOUSE TEAM SCORES – this week

AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
4	8	9	13

If you are new to the school, welcome! Please do join our Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TacolnestonFOTS/> or email us at [friendsofacolneston@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofacolneston@gmail.com) to keep abreast of important news and upcoming events



Outdoor Activities for ALL ages, including:

**Canoeing**  
**Climbing**  
**High Ropes**  
**Archery**  
**Axe Throwing**  
**Caving Bus!**  
**&**  
**MUCH MORE!**

# FAMILY ADVENTURE DAY 2023

**SUNDAY**  
**10TH SEPT**

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Every Day

Counts



Supporting Good

School Attendance

### Guidance for Parents / Carers

Good attendance at school is one of the most important factors in ensuring that children and young people have the best opportunities in adult life.

Did you know?

**90%**  
Attendance

for one year = 4 weeks of learning missed, this is called persistent absence.



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Research has shown that there is a strong link between levels of attendance at school and levels of achievement. Students with high levels of attendance tend to gain better results in tests and examinations than students with lower attendance levels. Children with good attendance are more than twice as likely to pass their English and Maths GCSEs compared to those who are persistently absent.

### How you can help your child have good attendance

- ✓ Get into good routines: start the year right and make attendance a priority, or even better, get into good habits from the start of nursery!
- ✓ Show an interest in school and education; attend parents meetings, concerts and other school events.
- ✓ Talk about school at home: ask your child what they're learning, how their friends are and how they're getting on.
- ✓ Encourage your child to take part in school activities.
- ✓ Don't let your child take time off school for minor ailments: particularly those which would not stop you from going to work.
- ✓ Where possible, make appointments outside of school hours.
- ✓ Take family holidays during school holiday time only.
- ✓ Encourage your child to tell you about any problems they may have at school. If you know or think that your child is having difficulties attending school, you should contact the school straight away.
- ✓ Acknowledge, praise and reward good or improved attendance, even small successes.

For advice on support for your child's attendance, speak to your school or visit

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