

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 21 – 1st March 2024

Our Value for Life this term is Perseverance.

Message from Mr Phoenix

We have had a great start to the new half term in school. I hope you were able to enjoy the half term holiday week.

This week we have begun a new Collective Worship series on Lent. We thought about celebrations, linked to the story of Palm Sunday, and considered what we do to celebrate and share in happy times with others. We have also begun to learn some Easter songs in readiness for our whole-school Easter service which will be coming up in a few weeks' time.

I have enjoyed reading some great examples of extended writing this week. Having the opportunity to write at length is something many of our children really enjoy, and their ability to craft their language for effect and to captivate the reader is very impressive. The 'Author of the Week' book which we share in Friday Celebration Assemblies is full of superb examples of children writing with alliteration, description, powerful words and carefully constructed grammar to create dramatic, atmospheric and persuasive pieces.

During Celebration Assembly today, in addition to the usual awards and certificates, we have recognised the achievement of all those children who have been awarded their Gold Paths card this week. As part of our behaviour policy, all children have a set of Paths Cards in class. These normally show Green but can be changed to Orange, Red or White if behaviour is not as expected. However, teachers can also change these to Gold for a child making outstanding effort, showing exemplary behaviour or going out of their way to do something really special in class. We wanted to acknowledge these Golds with the whole school, and be able to communicate the achievement with parents, so each week Gold Paths awards now feature in Friday assembly and on the newsletter. Well done to all our 'Gold' children this week!

Next week is World Book Day on Thursday, when children (and staff!) are invited to dress as a favourite book character. Throughout the week, we will have other activities linked to books, reading and authors. Here at Tacolneston, there is a long-standing link with author and illustrator James Mayhew. The children will be looking at the work he has done at the school, and learning more about James and his links to art and music.

It will be an exciting week next week!

Best wishes

Mr Phoenix

Lunchboxes



May we remind you that to maintain our healthy school status we ask that you do not put chocolate bars such as Lion bars, Mars etc in lunchboxes. Only include items from the biscuit aisle eg. Club, Viscount or Kitkat biscuits in your child's packed lunch. Thank you.



World Book Day

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It's World Book Day on Thursday. Your child is welcome to come into school dressed as a character from a book. We're looking forward to seeing all the wonderful costumes!

Disco Lost Property

There were a few items of lost property left at school after the Valentine disco. If you lost something please come along to the office and see if we have it.

County Lines Awareness

Please see the flyer below about a webinar for parents and carers which is intended to raise awareness of County Lines. The webinar takes place on 12th March between 7:00pm and 8:30pm. Please forward the flyer, along with the link to Eventbrite below where parents and carers can book their place.

[County Lines Awareness](#)

FOTS NEWS

Unfortunately, we have made the decision to cancel our "Mothers' Day Cuppa and Cake" event due to lack of interest. We appreciate it is a tricky time for people with work and other commitments.

Please keep your eye out for further info on our "Bingo and chips" night on 22nd March. Order slips will be in book bags early next week. Last year's event was very popular so be sure to get you slips back ASAP to secure your place.

We are still looking for new committee members and would love to see some new faces at our Committee meetings. We are interested to hear any new fundraising ideas and would genuinely welcome your thoughts and feedback. You can contact us in person, via email or through the FOTS suggestions box. If you would like to know more please do get in touch.

Spirit of the Games – UEA

On Thursday we went to the UEA for a Spirit of the Games Festival. We played bocher, rowing (on a machine), sitting volleyball, basketball, curling, mini golf and archery.

Bocher was a game where 3 cones were set out and you had to score points by hitting a cone. Rowing was an exercise on a machine. Sitting volleyball was where you had to sit and bounce a very light ball up in the air.

In basketball you had to score hoops, then get a cone for a point. In curling you had to roll a curling across the floor. Mini gold was where you had to get your ball in the hole. Archery was where you had to shoot at a board with the bow and arrow.

We all enjoyed ourselves and had a good time.





Pupils of the Week

Our awards are given to pupils in recognition of them demonstrating one of our school values.

Kingfishers Bella - Perseverance

**Robins Joey – Perseverance
Oscar S - Perseverance**

**Eagles Toby – Trust
Ethan - Perseverance**

**Sparrowhawks Freya H – Creativity
Blake - Creativity**

Awesome Author **Scarlett G**

Reading Star **Max**

Gold Card **Pippa M, Austin, Alyssa, Joey**

HOUSE TEAM SCORES – this week

AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
35	24	56	30

TOTAL HOUSE TEAM SCORES

AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
854	910	818	944

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

Parent webinar

County Lines in Norfolk

Hosted by

Ivison Trust,
a parent with lived experience & a
local police officer.

Register today

www.ivisontrust.org.uk/webinars

7-8.30pm
12th
March



i feel so much
more confident to
to talk to my child

people

supporting parents and
children to learn together

Peep supports all parents and carers with children from
pregnancy to school, in encouraging their child's learning and
development.

PEEP information drop in session
Friday 8th March 2024
between 11am and 2pm
At Wymondham library

Come along and find out more about signing up for our
FREE PEEP sessions