

22nd July 2022



# TIMBERSCOMBE C OF E FIRST SCHOOL

*Nurturing our unique acorns, for the infinite possibilities of the mighty oaks they shall become.*

*Inspired by John 10:10, Gideon 6:11 and Corinthians 13:4*



## News From School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are, the final day of our school year, a time that is always filled with so many emotions. We feel sadness for those children who are leaving us to move on to their new schools having been such a big part of our school community, but happiness and pride in the achievements of every one of our children. Thank you to all of you, our Timberscombe families, for your truly valued support of the children and our school. Having taught in a few schools, I can honestly say that Timberscombe is a very special place indeed.

What a final week we have had! The year 3 and 4 children entertained us brilliantly in The Regal Theatre on Tuesday, we enjoyed a wonderful Teddy Bear's Picnic together on Wednesday, our Leaver's Service was perfect on Thursday and today, we have said a fond farewell to two of our dedicated and wonderful members of staff. Miss Sparks and Mrs Waygood, you will be dearly missed and we thank you for everything that you have done for our children over the years, going over and above to make our school so special and to give our children the best opportunities.

Thank you to all of our dedicated Timberscombe team who continue to put the children at the heart of everything.

Thank you children for the laughs, the fun, the hard work and the general loveliness! I wish you a super Summer holiday time making memories to last a lifetime!

Best wishes, Mrs Angela Hall

## AWARDS

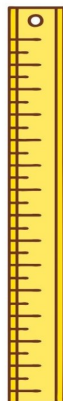
Kindness and achievement awards got to every member of Timberscombe School for a fantastic year! Thank you children for being our stars every week!



## Teacher's Prayer

By James J. Metcalf

I want to teach my students how  
To live this life on earth,  
To face its struggles and its strife  
And to improve their worth.  
Not just the lesson in a book,  
Or how the rivers flow,  
But to choose the proper path,  
Wherever they may go.  
To understand eternal truth,  
And know right from wrong,  
And gather all the beauty of  
A flower and a song,  
For if I help the world to grow  
In wisdom and grace,  
Then I feel that I have won  
And I have filled my place.  
And so I ask your guidance, God  
That I may do my part,  
For character and confidence  
And happiness of heart.



## Key Dates:

01.09.2022 INSET DAY

02.09.2022 INSET DAY

05.09.2022 Back to School

20.10.2022 INSET DAY

21.10.2022 INSET DAY

24.10.2022—28.10.2022 Half Term

*Our school is about kindness, caring for others, ourselves, and our world.*

*Our school values our faith, our location, our community and most of all each other.*

*We aim to instill a life long love of learning.*

# News from Class One & The Teddy Bear's Picnic

Thank you Class One for working so hard this year. We have enjoyed so many topics from Remembrance at the beginning of the year, to Christmas fun, The Jubilee and our recent Pirates topic.

Thank you for every time you have helped us with jobs and for being such a polite class of children. Thank you for all the fun and lovely memories!

Have a fantastic Summer holiday time with your families and we look forward to seeing you all safely back (and probably a little bit taller) in September.

Love from Mrs Hall, Miss Bowden and Mrs Sparks x

Enjoy the pictures of the Teddy Bear's Picnic, we had a lovely lunch time together as a whole school with our favourite teddies, despite the drizzle outside!



# News from Class Two

We have reached the end of another academic year - this time an uninterrupted one, which has been great.

Class 2 have enjoyed two trips this Summer term to Pinkery and Bristol. These were both fantastic experiences for the children which hopefully they will remember forever!

The children have worked so hard in all aspects of the curriculum, but especially in Mathematics and Literacy and they have all developed greatly. They have also grown in character and maturity and have been a delight to work with.

Some highlights have been learning about the Romans and creating and using their shields. Sports Day was enjoyed by all the children. Finally, the hard work they put into learning the songs for the Moorland Federation celebration came to fruition at yesterday's wonderful performance. Special mention must also go to the dancers who worked together to produce a fantastic routine which blew all our socks off!

We wish the year four children the best of luck in their new schools and we hope you all have a relaxing and happy summer holiday.

With love from, Miss Sparks, Mrs Waygood and Mrs Sparks.



# News from Little Oaks

The last couple of weeks of the Summer Term always seem to fly by in flash! Probably because there is so much to fit in. They are also full of emotion. The children (and staff!) are tired and ready for a holiday, the older ones have mixed emotions about moving up into reception and the young ones are ready to take their place as the "big children". We are also saying good bye to some children and staff.

This last two weeks have seen all of the above. The older children have had their leavers service and received their learning journeys; a lasting reminder of all the fun they've had with us in Little Oaks. I know that I still look back at my son's, so I really hope that they and their families will look back in years to come and remember what happy times they were. I know tears have been shed (and most of them were mine) but this really is an exciting time for them and Miss Cook and I will truly miss them all and look forward to watching them grow in the coming years.

On a more cheerful note, we had our Teddy Bears picnic and enjoyed games and laughter in the sunshine with our teddies. It was also great to welcome visitors to Little Oaks for our open afternoon. Hopefully this will see us grow our numbers further next term.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday and we look forward to welcoming the children back in September.

Mrs. King and Miss Cook



# SUMMER SAFEGUARDING

To report a child or an adult in Somerset at risk, you can contact Somerset Direct by phoning: 0300 123 2224. This number is only for urgent issues. Additional information can be found online at: <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/#safeguarding> . Alternatively, phone 999 in the event of an emergency and phone 111 for non-emergencies.

## Places to get help:

**Family Lives** – gives advice on all aspects of the parenting role and is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Calls are free. Tel: 0808 800 2222.



<https://www.familylives.org.uk/>

**ChildLine** 

**ChildLine** – offers a free, confidential helpline and online service dedicated to children and young people. Tel: 0800 1111 <https://www.childline.org.uk/>

**NSPCC**

**The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC)** – runs a wide range of services for both children and adults, including national helplines and local projects. Their helpline is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Freephone: 0808 800 5000. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

## Farm safety



Preventing accidents to children on farms

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg472.pdf>

## Beach Safety



<https://rnli.org/find-my-nearest/beaches-with-lifeguards-on-patrol>

## Beach Flag Safety



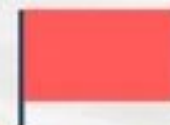
Life-guarded area: Safest to swim



Orange windsock: Do not use inflatables



For surfboards and kayaks: do not swim or use bodyboards



Danger! Do not enter the water under any circumstances



Mindful Kindful Peaceful

September 2022						October 2022						November 2022								
M			5	12	19	26	M		3	10	17	24	31	M			7	14	21	28
Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu		4	11	18	25		Tu		1	8	15	22	29
W			7	14	21	28	W		5	12	19	26		W		2	9	16	23	30
Th		1	8	15	22	29	Th		6	13	20	27		Th		3	10	17	24	
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December 2022						January 2023						February 2023								
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**Key:**

	<b>School Holiday</b>
	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
	<b>Term Time</b>
	<b>Inset Days</b>

**Term dates summary:**

**Term 1:** 01 September – 21 October 2022 (37 days)  
**Term 2:** 31 October – 16 December 2022 (35 days)  
**Term 3:** 03 January – 10 February 2023 (29 days)  
**Term 4:** 20 February – 31 March 2023 (30 days)  
**Term 5:** 17 April – 26 May 2023 (29 days)  
**Term 6:** 05 June – 21 July 2023 (35 days)    **TOTAL = 195**

**Bank and public holidays 2022/23**

Christmas Day Bank Holiday	27 December 2022*	Easter Monday	10 April 2023
Boxing Day Bank Holiday	26 December 2022	May Day Bank Holiday	01 May 2023
New Year's Day Holiday	02 January 2023*	Spring Bank Holiday	29 May 2023
Good Friday	07 April 2023	Summer Bank Holiday	28 August 2023

\*Replacement Bank Holiday day when the Bank Holiday falls on a weekend

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.