



Tynsel Parkes CE Primary Academy

Final Newsletter for Summer 2021

Tuesday 20th July

Happy Holidays!

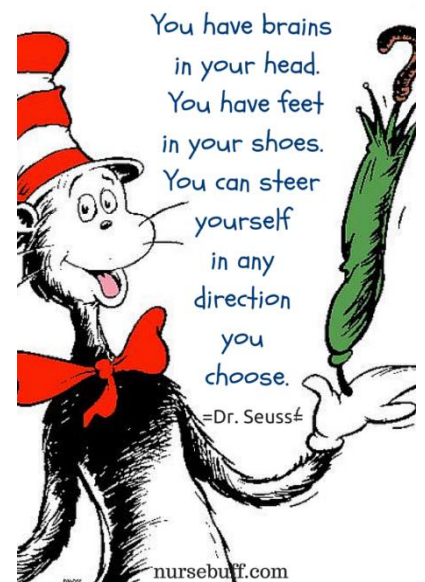
As we reach the end of the academic year I would like to say a massive thank you to all the children, you should be so proud of your children. Throughout this pandemic and time of uncertainty, the children have remained happy with great enthusiasm for school life and all that is on offer at Tynsel Parkes. I hope that as the restrictions begin to ease the school will be able to offer more enrichment opportunities for the children to take part in. This year has proved to be quite a difficult time, with periods of isolation, lockdown of bubbles and partial school closures but we have pulled together and as a result, the community of Tynsel Parkes has become stronger and more supportive of one another. Once I know the final Government updates for schools in September a further letter will follow about school timings etc. However, the expectation is that the school day will start at 8:30 am for Nursery and 8:45am for the rest of the school with the school day ending at 3:05pm for all.

I hope that you all manage to have a lovely summer holiday and that you all stay safe and well.



Today the Year 4 children will be leaving Tynsel Parkes to continue their educational journeys at their Middle Schools. We wish all the children well and hope that as they move on to their next schools they have fond memories of Tynsel Parkes and the different activities they have taken part in. We look forward to hearing about your new adventures!

Good Luck Year 4, we know that some of the children will feel excited, whilst others will feel a little anxious however, I am sure you will soon feel part of your new communities and continue 'Loving and Learning Together' with your new classmates. Thank you for being such a fantastic class throughout your time at Tynsel Parkes.



Fond Farewells to Staff

Today will be Mrs Walker's last day at Tynsel before her retirement. Mrs Walker has been a member of Tynsel Parkes' community now for 18 years! We would like to thank Mrs Walker for her dedication and hard work in supporting the children of Tynsel Parkes, the children have been very lucky to have had such a lovely teacher. The whole community of Tynsel Parkes hope that you enjoy your retirement and enjoy the time you have with your family and friends. We will miss you here at school and thank you for all the quality teaching and learning experiences you have given the pupils of Tynsel Parkes over the years.



Mrs McHale will also be leaving us today, Mrs McHale has been working in the Reception class during this academic year. I know that Mrs McHale has enjoyed her time at Tynsel Parkes and getting to know the children, supporting their learning. We wish you well as you leave us and hope that you enjoy your next adventures.

COVID Updates:

If any member of your household is displaying any of the Covid 19 symptoms the whole household must self-isolate while organising a test and whilst awaiting that test result.

If your child develops symptoms on or up to 22nd July, please inform school as soon as you have a test result. From 19th July NHS Test and Trace will now manage contact tracing within all settings including schools. NHS Test and Trace will now establish close contacts with parents/guardians and this will be prolonged contact which will normally have occurred in a social setting e.g. sleepovers.

When contacting school during the summer break for positive Covid cases, please use the office@tynselparkesacademy.co.uk email, including the following information:

- Subject: COVID positive result
- Child's name and class
- Date they were last in school
- Date of first symptoms
- Date of test

Uniform Reminders

In September please can I ask you to label all your children's uniform, I have included a link to the uniform that your children are expected to wear. This term a few children are turning up to school in clothes that are not part of the school uniform, especially on the children's PE days, this will not be acceptable in the Autumn Term. Please see the link below for a reminder of the school uniform and PE kits. Children will continue to have PE days in September, a letter will follow at the beginning of the Autumn term to let you know which days children are to come to school in their PE kits. If any children who are eligible for free school meals need any support with school uniform please get in touch with the school office. Thank you.

<https://www.tynselparkesacademy.co.uk/about-tynsel-parkes/uniform>

Creative Explorers Go Wild!

Staffordshire Libraries & Arts are excited to offer Creative Explorer's Go Wild this summer! Families are invited to take part in lots of fun creative activities over the summer holidays inspired by nature, fun books to read and getting creative outdoors! From 24 July, you will be able to view or download weekly activities online and take part in our artist led Go Wild Workshops every Wednesday in August. You can also print or collect activities from your local library. Activities are aimed at children age 5-12 but are suitable for all the family to enjoy. Children also have the opportunity to complete a Discover Arts Award at Home for free, take part in the Go Wild programme, complete an Explorer's logbook and achieve a National Arts Award Certificate! Families who wish to sign up for the Arts Award must register by 24 July.

<https://staffslibrariesculture.wordpress.com/creative-explorers/>

We hope that you all have a lovely summer break and look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Thursday 2nd September.

Mrs Rachel Chandler and all the staff at Tynsel Parkes.