

# Newsletter - 26th July 2024

### **THANK YOU**

Dear Parents, Carers and Families

On behalf of all of the staff, thank you for the lovely messages, cards, gifts and treats for the staffroom over the last few days. It has been a busy but happy year and we have many achievements to celebrate together. Your kind thoughts and generosity are greatly appreciated by us all.

As say goodbye to Mrs Allen and Miss Scott-Clark, we thank them for their commitment and dedication to school life and wish them well in their next steps.

We wish our Year 6s the very best as they move to secondary schools - keep in touch to let us know how you're getting on! Aim High, Achieve More!

With best wishes to you all for a very happy, safe summer holidays.

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**Mrs Jewitt** 

## YEAR 6 LEAVERS' SONG

Thank you, Year 6, for leading us in song with your version of 'Sweet Caroline' in your Leavers' Assembly yesterday. Here are the lyrics in case you'd like to sing at home!

Where it began, I can't begin to know when. But then I know we're growin' up Was in the autumn, and spring became the summer Who'd have believe you'd come along? Pens. Touchin' hands Reachin' out. Teaching me, teaching you Sweet Tatsfield! Good times never seemed so good I've been inclined, to believe they never would But now I look at us now, and it don't seem so lonely We fill it up with only two. And when I hurt, you give me an ice pack How can I hurt with a wet paper towel? Friends! Making friends! Reachin' out. Teaching me, teaching you. Sweet Tatsfield! Booting the ball over the fence I've been inclined, to believe its stuck in the hedge. Sweet Tatsfield! Good times never seemed so good Sweet Tatsfield! I believe they never could Sweet Tatsfield!

### **DIARY DATES**

Monday 2nd-Wednesday 4th September - INSET days. Thursday 5th September - New academic year begins.

> Please check term dates (including 2024-2025 term dates) on the <u>school website</u> before booking holidays. Absence for holidays is not authorised.

# Aim High, Achieve More!

## THANK YOU PTA!

If you've already the summer edition of  $\underline{\text{Trust Talk}}$ , you will have read the spotlight on our incredible PTA. We are fortunate to have such an enthusiastic PTA committee who lead all of the parent volunteers in so many activities and events to support our school. It is the end of an era for many of our PTA members who have a collective 45 years' service on the Tatsfield PTA. We thank them for their time and commitment at Tatsfield.

#### Angela Alexander - 15 years

"I remember the first event I helped out with, Christmas 2009. It was a very cold Saturday and I was on the gate taking entrance fee to enter. Fast forward 15 years and I'm still a member of the PTA! It has been lovely to know that I have helped with organising and running many events to raise money for the school my 3 children have attended. The PTA takes up a lot of time and sometimes space in your house or even in your car but it's been worth it to see the end results. Tatsfield School PTA has been a pleasure to be part of.

So after 15 years I'm signing off!

#### Liz Kelleher - 17 years

"Tatsfield PTA ...2007- 2024 jeez, that's 17 long years. From the old school site with the boys and the old headmistress. To Mr B bringing the new school up the hill.... and now the new headmistress. I've always been a class rep, given vice chair with Julia a go 2017-2019. I've always made up and sold Xmas hampers and I love a raffle ticket. 17 great years and I wouldn't change it for the world."

#### Nicki Philip - 15 years

"As my time as a primary school mum draws to a close, I sit and reflect on the last 15 years not only as a mum of 4, but as a member of the school PTA, I have been class rep, 3 years vice chair, 2 as joint chair. I remember many many cake sales, my freezer packed ready for frozen Fridays, movie nights, quiz nights, comedy nights. I remember whole days (and weeks before) dedicated to Christmas fairs, summer fairs, firework nights and spring balls. Hamper making evenings in my kitchen, I remember shopping lists and packed out cars, and rummaging in the dark in the PTA shed with my head torch! I remember the times when volunteers were hard to come by and the difficult decision to cancel an event. But most of all I remember the friends I have made along the way, the smile on my children's faces when they told their friends "my mum's on the PTA", the pride we all felt when the final figures were announced from our fund raising and the laughs we had along the way. Now I see the enthusiasm on the face of the younger fresher parents now on the PTA and as I pack away my elf t shirt and Xmas boppers I say, thank you Tatsfield Primary, it's been a blast!

Special thanks to Natalie Ruggins who comes to the end of her two year service as Chair this academic year. She will be handing the baton to the two new co-chairs in September. Thank you too to the parent volunteers who have painted not only the new gazebo, but the new PTA shed. Your gift of time is such a practical help to the school - thank you!



## **CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS YEAR**

Reception Class (Wrens) - 91.9% Year I (Robins) - 94.6% Year 2 (Kingfishers) - 94.1%

Year 3 (Woodpeckers) - 96.6% Congratulations Woodpeckers!

Year 4 (Kestrels) - 95.6% Year 5 (Owls) - 93.3% Year 6 (Eagles) - 96.1%

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