



# Tiptree St Luke's Church of England VC Primary School

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*know, love, serve; God, Ourselves & Others*

## Welcome Back!

I hope you all enjoyed the Summer break and from the stories I have heard from the children you were all very busy. This week it has also been great to see some amazing examples of homework in the classrooms.

There have been several changes to school over the holiday and I'd like to thank Erika's Mum, Keziah and Erika herself for helping with planting around the school and our new raised beds. The EYFS area and pond have also been worked on extensively and we owe a big thank you to Ian Moody and Natalie Thompson for the many hours that they have put in, with additional help from Clare Heard and staff from Ford, arranged by Adam Jones.



Kathryn Spicer has also revamped our library with help from some other staff, relabelling and sorting thousands of books.

## Important changes to applying for school places.

The following information has been circulated by Essex County Council. Please can you pass it on to anyone you know who has a child that would be starting school in September 2019 especially if they currently don't have any children at school.

### Key things you need to know about applying for a school place

**It is the responsibility of parents to apply for a school place at the correct times. You will not receive any letters from Essex County Council to inform you that you must apply for your child's school place.**

If your child is due to start school for the first time in Reception during the school year 2019/2020, or is in an infant school and due to start in Year 3 at a junior school from September 2019, here are some dates you need to know:

From **12 November 2018** you can apply online for your child's primary school place.

You must submit an application by the national closing date **15 January 2019**. Applications received after this date will be considered as late and you may reduce your chance of being offered a place at your preferred schools.

If your child is due to start secondary school for the first time from September 2019 here are some dates you need to know:

From **12 September 2018** you can apply online for your child's Year 7 secondary school place.

You must submit an application by the national closing date **31 October 2018**. Applications received after this date will be considered as late and you may reduce your chance of being offered a place at your preferred school.

Thurstable - <http://www.thurstable.essex.sch.uk/>

- Open Evenings: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September
- Open Mornings: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September

		Event	Parents Invited or Contact
September	10 <sup>th</sup>	KSI Meet the Teacher - 9:00	Classes 3, 4, 5
	10 <sup>th</sup>	School Council Voting	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	The Link - Parent Support Group for Tiptree	clairejsmith13@gmail.com
	11 <sup>th</sup>	UKS2 Meet the Teacher - 14:30	Classes 9, 10, 11
	13 <sup>th</sup>	LKS2 Meet the Teacher - 14:30	Classes 6, 7, 8
	17 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governing Body Meeting	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Community Challenge Parents Meeting 15:15	Year 6
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Individual School Photos	
	25 <sup>th</sup>	UKS2 Trip to Sutton Hoo	
October	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Open Morning for Perspective Parents	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Open Morning for Perspective Parents	
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Open Morning for Perspective Parents	
	5 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Training - No children at school	
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Red, White and Blue Day - Celebration of end of WWI - NON-UNIFORM	
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Late Parents Evening - 17:30 – 20:00	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Early Parents Evening - 15:20 – 18:00	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Coffee Morning - 9:00	All parents welcome
	Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	Family Camp Out	
	15 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccine Day	
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Service - 14:00	Year 5
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 & 6 Cross Country	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Disco	
	22 <sup>nd</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term Holiday	
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Drop 'n' Shop - breakfast.twilight@stlukesschool.co.uk		
November	8 <sup>th</sup>	School Quiz – Community Learning Team - Evening	More information to follow
	9 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Music Festival TBC	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Assemblies	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	LKS2 Football Tournament - 11:30	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	UKS2 War Memorial	More information to follow
	16 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Training - No children at school	
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Drop 'n' Shop - breakfast.twilight@stlukesschool.co.uk	
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	PTFA Winter Market - 17:00 – 20:00	All parents welcome
December	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Christmas Chimes Assembly	
	4 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 PTFA Movie Night - 15:30	
	6 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KSI Story Evening - 15:30	
	10 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KSI Dress Rehearsal	
	11 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KSI Christmas Production PM - 14:00	Ticket arrangements to follow
	12 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS & KSI Christmas Production AM - 9:30	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Panto – Jack and the Beanstalk	More information to follow
	12 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Christmas Party	
	17 <sup>th</sup>	LKS2 Christmas Party	
	18 <sup>th</sup>	UKS2 Christmas Party	
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle - 11:30	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinner	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	KSI Christmas Party	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Singing Around the Christmas Tree – 14:45	All parents welcome
	20 <sup>th</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Christmas Holiday	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Drop 'n' Shop - breakfast.twilight@stlukesschool.co.uk		