

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you and your child back after the half term break..

I hope that you and all your loved ones continue to stay safe and well.



The following are the key dates and events for the academic year

Townhill Infant calendar 25-26

November	<p>Mon 10th - Parents Evening 3.30pm -6.00pm</p> <p>Nursery Parents Evening – 3.30pm – 5pm</p> <p>Fri 14th – Children in Need- PLEASE CAN CHILDREN COME TO SCHOOL DRESSED IN BRIGHT CLOTHING- NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY</p>
December	<p>Tues 9th - Year 2 Christmas play 2pm</p> <p>Weds 10th- Year 1 Christmas play 2pm</p> <p>Thurs 11th - Year R Christmas play 2pm</p> <p>Fri 12th- Nursery play 2pm</p> <p><u>ALL YEAR GROUPS - THERE WILL BE TWO PLACES ALLOCATED FOR ADULTS PER CHILD TO ATTEND THE CHRISTMAS PLAYS.</u></p> <p><u>PLEASE NOTE THAT UNFORTUNATELY THE CHRISTMAS PLAY IS ADULTS ONLY AND NO YOUNGER OR OLDER CHILDREN WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND.</u></p> <p>Mon 15th- Interim reports to parents</p> <p>W/B Mon 15th- ENRICHMENT WEEK</p> <p>Mon 15th- Health and well-being, Tues 16th- Music, Weds 17th- Christmas in another country</p>

	<p>day, Thurs 18th - Art and DT Day, Fri 19th- Own choice</p> <p>Mon 15th pm YEAR 2 CHRISTMAS PARTY</p> <p>Tues 16th pm YEAR 1 CHRISTMAS PARTY</p> <p>Weds 17th pm YEAR R and NURSERY CHRISTMAS PARTY</p> <p>On the day of your child's Christmas party, they can come to school wearing party clothes - NO SCHOOL UNIFORM. The children will have lunch as normal.</p> <p>Thurs 18th and 19th- Christmas Jumpers</p> <p>PLEASE CAN THE CHILDREN WEAR CHRISTMAS JUMPERS OR OTHER FESTIVE CLOTHING TO SCHOOL - NO SCHOOL UNIFORM</p> <p>Fri 19th – Christmas lunch</p> <p>Mon 22nd Dec until Jan 2nd – Christmas Holidays</p>
January	<p>Mon 5th Jan- School starts at 9am</p>
February	<p>Mon 9th Parents Evening 4pm -7pm</p> <p>Nursery Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5pm</p> <p>Weds 11th - Parents Evening 3.30pm -6pm</p> <p>Nursery Parents Evening – 3.30pm – 5pm</p> <p>Mon 16th - Fri 22nd – Half term</p> <p>Mon 23rd – INSET DAY school closed</p> <p>Tues 24th- School returns</p>
March	<p>Thurs 5th - WORLD BOOK DAY- PLEASE CAN CHILDREN COME TO SCHOOL AS STORYBOOK CHARACTERS – NO SCHOOL UNIFORM</p> <p>Fri 6th - TRUST INSET DAY - school closed</p> <p>Fri 20th – Red Nose Day - PLEASE CAN CHILDREN COME TO SCHOOL DRESSED IN RED OR</p>

	<p>BRIGHTLY COLOURED CLOTHING - NO SCHOOL UNIFORM</p> <p>Mon 23rd – Interim reports to parents</p> <p>Week beg- Mon 23rd ENRICHMENT WEEK</p> <p>Mon 23rd - Health and well-being, Tues 24th - Global day, Weds 25th - Music Thurs 26th - Art/DT, Fri 27th – own choice</p> <p>Thurs 26th - EGG ROLLING - PLEASE CAN CHILDREN BRING IN A DECORATED HARD-BOILED EGG</p> <p>Fri 27th – EASTER BONNET PARADE - PLEASE CAN CHILDREN COME TO SCHOOL WEARING AN EASTER BONNET. THERE WILL BE AN EASTER BONNET PARADE FOR PARENTS TO WATCH AT 9.05am ON THE MAIN SCHOOL PLAYGROUND</p> <p>Fri 27th - School closes for the Easter holidays</p> <p>Easter holidays Mon 30th March to Fri 10st April</p>
April	<p>Mon 13th - School starts</p>
May	<p>Fri 8th MAY DAY CELEBRATION - 1.30pm</p> <p>ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND</p> <p>Mon 25th – Fri 29th May - Half term</p>
June	<p>Mon 1st - school starts</p> <p>Fri 19th – INSET DAY school closed</p> <p>Tues 24th – New Entrants Parents Meeting - 6.00pm (For parents of children who will be starting school Sept 2026)</p>
July	<p>Weds 1st – TRANSFER DAY – All children visit their new classes for September all day (all year groups R,1 and 2)</p> <p>Weds 8th - SPORTS DAY- Times-</p>

Mrs Miles' class- 9.10am - 9.35 am.

Mr Riley's class - 9.40am-10.05 am.

Nursery - 10.10am - 10.35am

Mrs Innes's class - 11.00am-11.25am

Mr Minchington's class - 11.30am -11.55am

Mr Wyeth's class - 1.20pm -1.45pm

Miss Fleeman's class- 1.50pm - 2.15pm

Fri 10th – SUMMER FAYRE 3pm

Mon 13th – Reports to parents

Mon 13th- Meet the teacher- 3.15pm -4.15pm - an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and see their classroom. No appointment required.

W/B 13th July ENRICHMENT WEEK

Mon 13th Health and well-being, Tues 14th- Music, Weds 15th ART/DT, Thurs 16th- ART/DT, Fri 17th- Own choice

Weds 15th – NURSERY GRADUATION 4pm -5pm

Weds 15th 9.10am - Year 2 Celebration Assembly

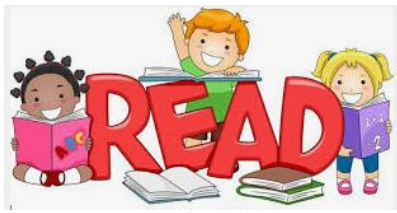
(Parents and younger children welcome to attend).

Thurs 16th – 9.10am - Year 1 Celebration Assembly

(Parents and younger children welcome to attend).

Fri 17th – 9.10am - Year R Celebration Assembly
(Parents and younger children welcome to attend).

	<p>Mon 20th – 9.20am - Year 2 Leavers Assembly – (Parents and younger children welcome to attend).</p> <p>Tues 21st - FAMILY PICNIC- 12.20pm -1pm - PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR END OF YEAR PICNIC</p> <p>TERM ENDS ON Tues 21st July</p> <p>School returns on 1st September</p>
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READING

Thank you to all parents who have signed up to the learning at home Reading log. The teachers love to see the comments and in some cases photos and videos of your child reading at home. If you have not managed to sign up for this, please check your emails and follow the instructions in the email to set up your child's reading log. Thank you.



HELP PLEASE - Junk Modelling

Year 2 need some help with collecting materials to build their fire engines. If you have any shoe boxes, tea bag boxes, cereal boxes and any other smaller boxes please could you bring these into school by the end of this week. Thank you.



PARENT/GRANDPARENT VOUNTEERS

If there are any parents or grandparents who would be interested in volunteering in school for a morning or afternoon to support our school with hearing children read, gardening or fundraising please let Mrs Corbin know by email info@townhill-inf.net or call 02380 474835.



CHILDREN IN NEED

We will be supporting Children in Need again this year on Friday 14th November. This will be a non-school uniform day, and children can come to school in bright clothing. There will be collection boxes in each classroom if you would like to donate to this worthy cause.



CHRISTMAS PLAY

The Christmas play this year will be 'Prickly Hay' and the Nursery will perform a retelling of the Nativity. Please see below the dates and times of the performances.

Tues 9th - Year 2 Christmas play 2pm

Weds 10th- Year 1 Christmas play 2pm

Thurs 11th - Year R Christmas play 2pm

Fri 12th- Nursery play 2pm

ALL YEAR GROUPS - THERE WILL BE TWO PLACES ALLOCATED FOR ADULTS PER CHILD TO ATTEND THE CHRISTMAS PLAYS.

PLEASE NOTE THAT UNFORTUNATELY THE CHRISTMAS PLAY IS ADULTS ONLY AND NO YOUNGER OR OLDER CHILDREN WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND.



Christmas Parties and Christmas Jumper days

Please see below the dates, times and information about the Christmas parties for each year group and 2 Christmas jumper days (Non school uniform)

Mon 15th pm YEAR 2 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tues 16th pm YEAR 1 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Weds 17th pm YEAR R and NURSERY CHRISTMAS PARTY

On the day of your child’s Christmas party, they can come to school wearing party clothes - NO SCHOOL UNIFORM. The children will have lunch as normal.

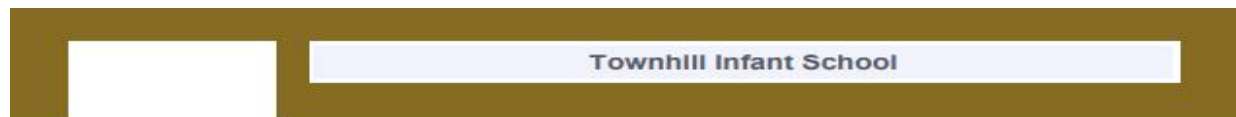
Thurs 18th and 19th- Christmas Jumpers

PLEASE CAN THE CHILDREN WEAR CHRISTMAS JUMPERS OR OTHER FESTIVE CLOTHING TO SCHOOL - NO SCHOOL UNIFORM



Attendance

Please see below some key information about attendance



We recognise that **good attendance (above 96%)** is key to good pupil outcomes. The links between regular attendance, reaching potential attainment and future life opportunities are well researched. For this reason, the school will encourage good attendance and be robust in monitoring attendance and take action when attendance falls below the expected level. **Good attendance impacts significantly** on progress, learning, friendship groups and the child’s overall happiness at school.

Easy as

- 1** There are 190 school days in a year; this leaves 175 days to spend on family time and holidays.
- 2** It is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that their child(ren) attend school **every day and on time**.
- 3** The school opens at: 8.50 ; registration is from 9.00 . Please arrive as close to 8.50 as possible to maximise learning opportunities for your child.



Attendance Matters

Every student Every Day

We're here to help!

We understand that there are many reasons why children may be absent or late for school. Please speak to staff about ways that we can support you with this.



If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	almost 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	almost 8 years

Key Contacts:

Attendance Champion:

Beverly Corbin

Attendance Officer:

Carrie Keep

Leave of absence is only given in very exceptional circumstances. We have a duty to follow the Local Authority code of conduct for issuing Fixed Penalty Notices for absence.

Reporting Absences:

A parent/carer must notify the school of the reason for a child’s absence **before 9.00** on the day of absence.

To report absence please:

First Preference- Please call on 02380 474835 or alternatively email info@townhill-inf.net



Beverly Corbin – Head teacher.