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Dear Parents,

On Tuesday of this week Co-Chairs of the TSSSA, Kim Le Rossignol and Abi Robins, chaired a very productive TSSSA committee meeting. Thank you to all those who came along to the meeting and joined in online.

There are some exciting calendar events coming up and the committee is very focussed on gathering more funds to continue the provision of excellent IT resources in the school. I am thrilled to say that, thanks to the support of everyone, the association has been able to donate £15,000 towards a class set of thirty new laptops. The governors agreed to support the project and together we have been able to order the equipment and appropriate storage which should be up and running by the end of February.

Money raised is continuing to be put towards IT. We are hoping to achieve the purchase of a similar number of iPads and storage. This will mean that two year groups at any one time could be accessing technology to both learn new skills in the computing curriculum and research within other curriculum areas.

The association is also looking to support the purchase of some replacement sheds for the end of the playground, the Book Tokens for the Book Week fancy dress winners and some new furniture for the Reception classroom.

The TSSSA and school will be working together on a joint initiative on 29 February and 01 March. On 29 February there is a, 'Dare to be Different' event. This will include asking children to come to school celebrating their differences and uniqueness. Children will be allowed to wear their own clothes, paint their nails, including face painting, colour their hair (NOT permanently), have a unique hair style and any other visual way of demonstrating their unique personalities. To take part the TSSSA will be asking for a donation to TSSSA funds. The suggested donation will be £2. During curriculum learning time on 29 February and 01 March, Year groups will be exploring and celebrating our strengths and differences. This event promises to be fun and thought provoking.

Next week the TSSSA will be running the Year 3 film night on 02 February.

The school is looking to turn the soil area in front of the school into a well-managed flower bed. It is hoped that the Eco Council can become involved in clearing and planting. The vision is to clear the weeds and ask our local community for donations of hardy and easy planting, mainly ornamental grasses, to create an area that looks appealing and one which supports some of our urban wildlife. If you feel you can offer some time and expertise to help with this project please get in touch with me via the school office.

On Thursday we celebrated Family Worship. This was led by Father Richard and focussed on the conversion of St Paul. He talked about making choices. Paul, previously known as Saul, was known for his hatred and persecution of Christians. His actions were unjust and unkind. The Bible story tells of his conversion to one of the most well know of Christian apostles spreading the word of Jesus. Thank you to those of you who were able to join our worship.





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On 08 February the Year 4 worship team are looking forward to sharing their assembly on the life of Nelson Mandela. They have put a lot of hard work into it and are eagerly awaiting delivering the assembly to the school.

Our Breakfast Club continues to be very popular. We will be honouring bookings for next week but going forward the online booking system will not let you book if our full capacity number of 15 children has been met. We are also looking into increasing capacity and staffing. If anyone would like to help by working in the club, Monday to Thursday from 8am to 8.45am, please contact the school office. This position could be taken by students who are 16+ who are interested in pursuing a career in working with young children.

Please see the Spring dates below. New or revised dates have been added in red.

Kind regards,

Louise Lovegrove

#### **Spring Term Dates**

01 February 2024	Reception visiting The Hong Kong Restaurant
02 February 2024	TSSSA Year 3 Film Night
08 February 2024	Year 3 Class Assembly 9am in St Stephen and St Agnes Church
08 February 2024	Pupil end of Term
09 February 2024	In Service Day
19 February 2024	Pupil Term starts
19 February 2024	Year 4 Ufton Court Parent Meeting 3.15pm in Year 4 Classroom
26 February 2024	Year 3 visiting The Chertsey Museum
22 February 2024	Family Worship. All are welcome to join our worship at 9am in St Stephen and St Agnes Church
27 February 2024	Year 1 visiting Winchester Science Museum





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29 February 2024	TSSSA 'Dare to be different' Support our celebration of difference by coming dressed in your own unique style – wear make up or add hair colour (no permanent dyes!) Bring a donation to TSSSA funds.  Learning during the day will also focus on the joy of being different.
04 March 2024	BOOK WEEK – on <b>Monday 04 March</b> all children come dressed as a book character for the school parade (sensible shoes to be worn as well as a school coat)
05 March 2024	Parents' Evening (EARLY)
07 March 2024	Parents' Evening (LATE)
07 March 2024	Young Shakespeare Company Year 3 and Year 4
13 March 2024	Group Photographs Tempest Photography
13 March 2024	Year 3 visiting Chertsey Museum
21 March 2024	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am in St Stephen and St Agnes Church
26 March 2024	Holy Week Family Worship. All are welcome to join our worship at 9am in St Stephen and St Agnes Church
28 March 2024	Term finishes
15 April 2024	Pupil Term starts
19 April 2024	9.30am Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church

Please remember that weekly information can be found about your child's learning on the Class News. This is uploaded onto the website and is available at the following pages:

https://tssfirst.co.uk/children/foundation/class-news

https://tssfirst.co.uk/children/year-1/class-news

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