



# Twiss Green Newsletter

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## Decoration Days

Thank you to those of you who were able to come into school for our Decoration days this week. The decorations the children made are lovely and we look forward to seeing some of them on our Christmas tree in the hall and on the tree we will be decorating for New-church Parish Church's Christmas Tree Festival. As always, we enjoyed welcoming many of you into school and appreciate your support.

## Lockdown Practice

Next week, we will be practising our lockdown procedure with the children. The procedure is in place to protect the children in the event of an intruder on the school site or an emergency situation in the local area. Just like our fire drills, we hope that we will never need to use the procedure in a real emergency, but need to make sure that we are prepared just in case. We will explain to the children that we are practising for a situation such as a wild animal or large dog gaining access to the school grounds and will make sure that we don't say anything that might alarm them unnecessarily. Our Lockdown Policy can be found on our school website and if you have any concerns about the practice, please speak to your child's class teacher.

## Policies

Our policies have been updated for this school year—please find them here on our website: [http://www.twissgreen.net/policies\\_and\\_procedures](http://www.twissgreen.net/policies_and_procedures)

Please ask the school office if you would like a paper copy of any of our policies.

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### Autumn Term Diary Dates



Monday 2nd December	Year 5 and 6 visit to Culcheth High School to watch their performance.
Tuesday 3rd December	Year 6 visit to Crucial Crew safety event
Tuesday 3rd December	Choir singing at Leigh Golf Club
Tuesday 3rd December	Year 2 visit to All Saints Church to experience the 'Christmas Journey'
Wednesday 4th December	Christmas crafts open event for Reception 2025 families
Friday 6th December	Christmas Fair and light switch on
Tuesday 10th December	Reception and KS1 Nativity performance, 9.30am
Tuesday 10th December	Year 4 Gospel performance, for parents/carers 1.45pm
Wednesday 11th December	Reception and KS1 Nativity performance, 2pm
Thursday 12th December	Reception and KS1 Nativity performance, 5.30pm
Friday 13th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Saturday 14th December	Choir singing in the Golden Square
Tuesday 17th December	Year 1 trip to Delamere Forest
Wednesday 18th December	Reception and KS1 Christmas party day
Wednesday 18th December	KS2 Carol Service at Culcheth Methodist Church, 2.30pm
Thursday 19th December	Coffee, Cakes and Carols, 9.30am
Friday 20th December	KS2 Christmas party day
Friday 20th December	School closes for Christmas at 2.30pm

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### **An update from the Governing Body**

It has been a busy start to the academic year at our governing body meetings this term with school leaders outlining our school priorities for the current academic year, inclusive of curriculum development in both music and computing in line with our Ofsted feedback and further enhancing the provision for our children with additional needs.

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November, a team of five governors had the pleasure of visiting school to see our music and computing curriculums in action. Whilst in school, we visited lessons from Year 1 to Year 6 and met with a group of children to talk about their learning in school. We were treated to musical animals in Year 2, Viking chants in Year 3 and were fascinated by our Year 5 children being composers and writing their own music! Meanwhile, in Year 1 our children were being artists on computer software, Year 4 taught us all how to program characters to move by following coded instructions and Year 6 were exploring how the use of online blogs can be helpful to share ideas with each other. It was lovely to see the children so engaged in their wider curriculum throughout the school and it was clear how hard the staff in school are working to further develop these curriculum areas.

May we take this opportunity to thank all the children for their hard work not only on this afternoon but throughout the term and thank you for your ongoing support. Finally, a special thank you to our extremely dedicated staff for their ongoing commitment to ensure our children are given such a range of engaging opportunities across the curriculum.

### **Reminder—Christmas Light Switch On Competition**

We will be decorating the large tree at the front of school again this year and would like to invite children to enter a competition to officially switch the lights on during our Christmas Fair on the 6th December. If they would like to enter, children should bring in a Christmas decoration they have made at home. We will add the decorations to our Christmas tree in the school hall and every child who enters will have their name put into a draw to switch the lights on. We will draw out two winners: one from Reception and KS1 and one from KS2. Decorations should be sent into school on Monday 2nd December and names will be drawn out on Wednesday 4th December.

