Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another very busy couple of weeks at Tubbenden. I would like to start by thanking our Governors who gave up their day on Monday to visit the school. As well as meeting the School Council, the TFA and all staff, they were given the opportunity to visit classes and see the teaching and learning in action. They were blown away by what they saw in the classrooms. It was noted how the children demonstrated huge commitment and engagement to their learning. Additionally, the Governors were hugely impressed with the variety of teaching methods seen and the amount of creativity taking place. Comments were made on the good discipline around the school and with the general presentation and handwriting the children were producing.

Huge congratulations to the Year 6 Go Kart team. With all of Year 6 involved in one way or another with the construction of two go-karts, six drivers were selected to compete in races against other schools in Gillingham. It was a terrific day out with Tubbenden, for a second year running, winning the overall trophy. Two of our children completed the fastest lap and we won the top race with the fastest go-karts of the competition competing.

On Tuesday we welcomed our new Reception children for the very first time. Although feeling nervous (and that was just the parents) the children had a wonderful hour mixing with their new class, meeting their class teacher and teaching assistant. A coffee morning for new Reception parents will follow on Tuesday 2nd July. These sessions are very important to ensure the children feel comfortable in new surroundings, have had the opportunity to mix with their peers and understand what it will be like to attend our school. We are always impressed with the way our Reception children settle so quickly into everyday school life.

Tuesday 2nd July is “All Change Day”. This is where our Year 6 children moving onto Bromley Secondary Schools spend time at their new school. We take this opportunity to allow all our pupils to meet their new teacher during this time too. You will be informed of your child’s new teacher for September 2019 at the end of next week.

On Friday 5th July I will be hosting a volunteers’ tea party in the Infant hall from 2.00pm -3.15pm. This is a way of saying thank you to everybody who has volunteered over the course of the year. Whether it has been on an educational visit, hearing children read, helping the TFA, or any other part played, no matter how big or small, you are invited. Invitations should have been received by now. However, it is not always possible to know of every person who may have helped, so if an invitation has not found its way to you please ask the class teacher who will supply you with one.

Finally, Friday 5th July will be an Own Clothes Day. Once again staff and Tubbenden friends are joining together to take part in the annual Dragon Boat Race at Bewl Water on the 7th September. Last year a total of £4,000 was raised which contributed towards new interactive whiteboards in every classroom. Please donate £1.00 and wear own clothes to start this fundraising event. All proceeds will go to the Tubbenden Friends Association enabling them to invest in new projects to the benefit of all our children.

Wishing you all a very enjoyable weekend.

Brigitte Bruce

Email: hos@tubbenden.bromley.sch.uk
Year 6 Go-karting Success

On Saturday 15th June, a team of Year 6s headed to Gillingham to race in the Young Eco-Engineers go-karting competition. Working together as teams of racing drivers, engineers, journalists and scientists, Year 6 had designed and built the two go-karts: Team Tsunami and Team Riptide. As Tubbenden were successfully crowned champions last year, there was a lot of pressure on them! They competed against 18 other go-karts over the day and, after coming first in many of the races, successfully won Fastest Lap and Class 1 Race Winners (for being the fastest go-kart). However, the biggest achievement of all was that the team were crowned Young Eco-Engineer Champions of 2019! It was a very successful and enjoyable day, and an amazing achievement for all the Year 6 children involved.

Year 6 Trip to France

Year 6 adventured over the sea to France for the week after half term. With many fun activities and visits to local attractions, they had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Some of the children were even brave enough to try the snails and frogs’ legs!

Year 5 Enterprise Extravaganza

Year 5 had a wonderfully successful afternoon on Friday during the Fathers’ Day sale! The winning ideas had to battle for a place in the toughest Dragon’s Den. On the day, the children were enthusiastic, extremely organised and worked fantastically as a team. Customers were entertained with a range of stalls including shoot the target, cupcake challenges, guess the sweets in a jar and perhaps most popular of all, slime the teachers! We fended off the rain to make a staggering £836.96! Well done Y5!

Y1 Forest School

Tintagel Class have been making the most of the lovely weather we’ve been having, except on Monday where it poured with rain and hot chocolate was enjoyed inside the warmth of the classroom! In Science, Year 1 have been looking at different types of trees and how we recognise different trees depending on the shape and size of their leaves. Following on from this, Tintagel Class made some leaf rubbings using different coloured crayons, and were set the challenge of seeing how many different varieties of leaves they could find. Some of their rubbings were so detailed!
**From the Inclusion Team**

* 26th June: Literacy Coffee Morning: We will run a question and answer session with a focus on literacy difficulties. If you would be interested in attending please contact the School Office or Mrs Hughes. 9.15am – 10.30am in the Small Hall.

* 1st July: World Sight day - Vision Awareness Week (usually celebrated in October). We will have a special assembly on Friday the 5th of July.

* We have an advert on the Bromley website with opportunities to apply for casual contract Teaching Assistant roles. If you think you may be interested and would like more information, please contact Marcella Hughes.

* 10th July: Paul Cabb Coffee Morning: With a focus on transitions (by invitation only). A coffee morning for Parents and Carers of pupils with Social Communication difficulties and/or Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC). If this might be something you would be interested in attending please contact Mrs Hughes. 9.00am – 10.30am in the Small Hall.

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**Staying Safe at Tubbenden**

This week we have spent some time with Year 6 pupils discussing ‘group chats’ on mobile devices. Ensuring that children set responsible rules around their phone use.

Did you know? There are a growing number of young people in Bromley with suspected gang affiliation.

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**When are children too ill for school?**

As you know we encourage you to send your children to school at all times unless they are too unwell to attend. You may find the below link useful when in doubt whether to send your child in or keep at home:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Please also remember that children must not attend school for 48 hours following sickness or diarrhoea.

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**ARP Fundraising**

We would like to thank all parents for their continued support in fundraising for the Additionally Resources Provision. We have so far received £9,726.83 (including Gift Aid) and we are now at 49% of our target. With the generosity and hard work of parents, we have been able to place an order for a fantastic new, state of the art sensory room which is being installed in July. We urge all parents, within the ARP and beyond, to get involved and fundraise, donate or contribute in some way, in order to get us to our target amount. Thank you!

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/displayCharityCampaignPage.action?campaignId=7355

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**Dragon Boat Race 7th September 2019**

We’re looking for enthusiastic paddlers to join the team! Last year was brilliant fun and we’d love to enter again. The Bewl Water Festival has a fabulous community feel with something for everyone, a really great way to fundraise for our school.

Please email Paula Grace (chair@tubbendenfriends.org.uk) if you are interested in joining the team. It costs £16 for each paddler to enter with £50 minimum sponsorship commitment. We are looking to do some joint fundraising events, kicking off with the non uniform day on Friday 5th July.
### Dates for your Diary June & July

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### School Voluntary Fund

A link to the School Voluntary Fund has now been set up in SchoolGateway, our online payment system. Although the school receives budgetary funding from the Department for Education, a voluntary fund is used to help finance some of the additional items which we provide to enhance the children’s education and which we can not fund from the school budget. We will formally launch the Voluntary Fund Appeal in the Autumn term but should you wish to make a donation in the interim, please do so via the online payment system or by cheque.

### Fun Fest Orpington

**Your local holiday childcare solution at Tubbenden School**

- **Fun Fest**
  - **Web:** fun-fest.co.uk/tubview
  - **Telephone:** 01689 606565

**Vacancies**

We are recruiting for casual Teaching Assistants. Please see below link for further details:

[https://www.bromley.gov.uk/info/100008/jobs_and_careers](https://www.bromley.gov.uk/info/100008/jobs_and_careers)

Closing date is the 27th June 2019.

### TENACITY SEN Sports sessions

**SPORT SHOULD BE INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE TO EVERY CHILD**

- **When & Where?**
  - **Every Friday** (term time only)
  - **3.30pm to 4.30pm**
  - **Bishop John Secondary School**
  - **Magpie Hall Lane, Bromley, BR2 9HZ**
  - **Cost:** £2 per session - cash on the day

**Notes:**
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**SEN SPORTS**

- **FOOTBALL**
- **CRICKET**
- **TAG-RUGBY**
- **RUGBY**
- **NETBALL**
- **ARCHERY**
- **HOCKEY**
- **SCREENING**
- **BASKETBALL**
- **BODECA**
- **HANDBALL**
- **AMERICAN**
- **GAMING**
- **DANCE**
- **GRAPE**
- **PARATHEATRE**
- **COMMUNICATION & LEADERSHIP GAMES**

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