Dear Parents and Carers,

As another successful year draws to a close I am delighted to add to the successes by announcing that Tubbenden Primary School has achieved the Young Carers In Schools Award 2019. I am very thankful for all the hard work that goes into supporting our many young carers and am delighted this has been recognised.

We were delighted with our end of Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 results this year. In reading and maths we were well above the National and Bromley results. I was particularly delighted with our greater depth results. At the end of Key Stage 2 in reading we increased from 37% last year to 44% this year (national is 28%) and in maths we increased from 36% to 45% (national is 24%). This demonstrates the efforts we put into all our children and how the more able are further challenged to achieve such results. I would like to thank all staff who work daily to meet the needs of all our children and send them so well equipped to secondary school.

Huge congratulations must also go to Chaitanya who, having succeeded to the Bromley Athletics finals on the 8th July, succeeded in winning the long jump and being the best in Bromley.

This week Mrs Jane Hawkins was appointed as our new Business Manager. She will take over from Mrs Diamond on the 1st September to allow Mrs Diamond to focus on her COO role within SOLA full time. I would like to thank Mrs Diamond for all the incredible work she has done and wish her continued success.

Also this week, Miss Morrow secured a new role in a school much closer to her home. I would like to wish Miss Morrow every success in her new role and say a huge thank you for all she has done in supporting the children over the years.

I would also like to thank Mrs Paula Grace for all the incredible work she has done on behalf of the Tubbenden Friends Association. Not only has she supported the school in raising a substantial amount of money, she has also enhanced the reputation of the school within the area and built positive relationships with the community. Graeme Casey will take over as chair and I look forward to watching the TFA continue to grow from strength to strength under his leadership.

Finally, for all staff and children moving on I wish you continued happiness and success. I am looking forward to the Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly on Monday morning when I will be saying my goodbyes. On Tuesday I will be heading to Nottingham for my daughter’s graduation.

On behalf of all staff I would like to thank you for your many generous gifts and lovely cards of thanks. I wish you a very enjoyable summer break and look forward to seeing everybody back on Wednesday 4th September. Don’t forget to go to join the Summer Reading Challenge at your local library: https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/

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The Junior children were very lucky to enjoy an assembly with Sam Wilkinson on Tuesday 9th July. Sam is currently a contestant on The Voice Kids. Sam sang for everyone, including some songs he has written himself. He is in Year 8 at Forest Hill School and we were all amazed at how talented he is at such a young age.

London Square Orpington in conjunction with Orpington Library have launched a short story competition with the theme ‘There’s no place like home’. There are great prizes to be won including publication of the winning story! Entries can be typed or handwritten and should be on A4 landscape paper, unstapled, and include pictures.

The winner gets four copies of their book and one copy of the book will also have a permanent home in Orpington Library for all to read.

Please see enclosed poster and entry form for further details. Entrants must be 4-11 years old. Happy writing and good luck! Mrs. Williams

The Nursery children and staff have had a really fun and fantastic year. The children’s varied interests have given rise to some amazing learning opportunities covering everything from volcanos to Mini beasts. The outdoor space has been gradually developed over the year with the children’s help and is now an engaging space which we all love spending time in. The children have particularly enjoyed looking out for signs that we have been visited by a garden “Fairy”, collecting bugs in our terrariums and planting/growing seeds. Some things (the wild flowers) have been a great success, while others (the carrots) less so. In spite of this it has been a wonderful way of extending the children’s knowledge of the world around them.

We have had a number of exciting visitors, the morning class were visited by Rico the clown who taught us some circus skills (very The Greatest Showman) and the afternoon class joined in some experiments with Fizz Pop Science. During the year we were also visited by a number of the children’s pets leading to the nurseries newest additions: Giant African Land Snails. The year culminated in what was a very enjoyable sports day filled with fun, games and only a hint of competitiveness between the teachers over whose team was winning.

Thank you to all of our Parents/Carers and children who helped to make this year a truly memorable one, we would like to take the opportunity to wish all those leaving us for ‘Big School’ every happiness and success, and those who are joining us in September we look forward to many more wonderful experiences. Wishing you all a fun and restful summer break! The Tubbenden Nursery Team.
### From the Inclusion Team

A big thank you for all the support the inclusion team has had this year from parents and carers, helping to create a safe, happy and inclusive school for all.

### School Dinners

With the beginning of the Autumn Term 2019/2020, Nourish will be offering a great new school dinner menu (please see attached copy). In addition to the daily meat and vegetarian options as well as the jacket potato there will be a daily pasta dish available. The cost for a school dinner will be £2.25 per day. Please make payment via your child’s School Gateway account from 1st August or by cheque via the school office upon return in September.

The total cost for school dinners until the October half term will be £74.25 (33 meals x £2.25).

### Summer Activities for the whole family

For those of you who will spend time here during the summer holidays, please see below links with ideas for summer activities the whole family can enjoy.

- [https://www.familiesonline.co.uk/local/bromley](https://www.familiesonline.co.uk/local/bromley)
- [https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/things-to-do/south-east-and-london/greater-london/orpington](https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/things-to-do/south-east-and-london/greater-london/orpington)
- [https://www.littlebird.co.uk/](https://www.littlebird.co.uk/)
- [https://hoop.co.uk/](https://hoop.co.uk/)

### 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 Graeme Casey ([chair@tubbendenfriends.org.uk](mailto: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. Our joint fundraising events have kicked off today with a non-uniform day and we are looking forward to more events to start soon.

### Gas works on Tubbenden Lane

As per our recent email communication (17.07.19), please be aware of the gas works that will be carried out on Tubbenden Lane from Tuesday 23 July 2019 (project duration approximately 6—7 weeks).

For everyone’s safety, SGN needs to close Tubbenden Lane to motorists at the junction with Station Road. Signed diversion routes will be in place via A21 > B2158 > Sevenoaks Road > Station Road.

Throughout all phase’s pedestrian access will be maintained to all properties and TFL buses have been consulted on the upcoming project, for further information about buses please visit [https://tfl.gov.uk/](https://tfl.gov.uk/)

### Sandy Bury Yellow Line Parking

The school has recently contacted the Borough concerning traffic management. The Borough will be scrutinising yellow line parking on Sandy Bury from the start of the new academic year. You may wish to avoid parking on yellow lines if you do not wish to be ticketed. Thank you!

### Fun Fest Orpington

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