

Friday 27th June 2025



**Tewkesbury**  
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

# Weekly Newsletter

## A message from Mr Rylatt...

From the buzz of rounders on the field and adventurous OPAL playtimes to moments of calm reflection and heartfelt performances, our school has been alive with the joy of learning together. As always, our values of community, love and respect have been at the centre of it all, and never more so than during a very special event hosted by our School Council...

### Grandparents afternoon Tea



This week, the school was filled with joy and laughter as we welcomed grandparents and special friends for a charming afternoon tea, proudly hosted by our School Council. Our pupils took the lead with confidence, serving tea and homemade scones and treating our guests to a heartwarming performance of songs and poetry celebrating the special role grandparents play in our lives. Events like this not only help our children develop teamwork, but also create meaningful moments of connection across our school community. A big thank you to Mrs. Spry for her incredible support and for baking endless batches of delicious scones throughout the week!

*Philippians 2:15 "We shine like stars in the sky."*



## **Year 6 Visit Oaker Wood**



Last week, our Year 6 pupils had an unforgettable week at Oaker Wood, embracing every challenge with enthusiasm and courage. From zip wires, leaps of faith and target shooting, to paintball, raft building and campfire fun, the children have shown outstanding teamwork and a true sense of adventure. Whether soaring through the trees or supporting one another on the ground, they've discovered new talents and created lasting memories. A huge thank you to the staff and Oaker Wood team for making it such a special experience!

## **On the Road with Ruby Class**





Last week, Ruby Class went on a short bus trip to Northway to support their learning this term, 'Amazing Adventures'. The children were absolutely buzzing with excitement to go with their friends! They had been learning all about the different steps involved in catching a bus, from waiting at the bus stop to paying for their tickets, finding a seat, and even ringing the bell when it was time to get off. Although we didn't exactly ride the 'Naughty Bus', the children were convinced it was a bit magical in its own way. Each time we sang 'The Wheels on the Bus', the bus seemed to respond—wiping its wipers, honking its horn, and opening and closing its doors, much to the delight of the children! It was such a joyful experience that combined fun with learning, making it an adventure they will remember for a long time. A big thank you to all the volunteers for their support, and here's to more amazing adventures this term!

## **Rounders**



It was an action-packed Tuesday evening as our rounders team took to the field, delivering a thrilling performance in a fiercely contested tournament.

With skill, spirit and sportsmanship on full display, the team gave it their all in every match, showcasing the full range of Tewkesbury C of E values.

In a nail-biting finish, they missed out on a podium place by the narrowest of margins — just half a rounder separating them from third.

A fantastic effort from start to finish, and every player should be incredibly proud.

Huge thanks to Mr. Williams for managing the squad and bringing his usual energy and encouragement from the sidelines.

## **OPAL Addition and Reaccreditation**



This has been a busy week for OPAL. We've had a number of additions including our new digging zone, updates to our mud kitchen and some new straw bales which have been an instant hit!

This Friday has also seen us being re-evaluated by OPAL and we're hoping to maintain our Platinum status. We're keeping our fingers tightly crossed and will be able to share the result with you next week.



## Collective Worship



Mr Rylatt opened the week with a Collective Worship that saw a child being led blindfolded across an obstacle course! They eventually got to the end of the course in one piece thanks to the careful guidance of another child. They displayed faith that the one giving the directions was both accurate and trustworthy! Mr Rylatt taught us that Christians have faith that God is trustworthy and will direct their steps correctly, even if they are unsure of the path that lies ahead, and that we all display faith in others, be that friends, teachers or parents, to help us in our lives.

On Tuesday, Simon from Trinity led Collective Worship. We looked at the story of Daniel, who showed faithfulness to God by being loyal to him. We also saw how he showed faith that God would keep him safe when he was in the lion's Den. Daniel is a great example to us in choosing to do what is right – even when others may not like it!

## Lions at Large Sculpture Trail



This year, we have been supporting our charity of the year, Cheltenham and Gloucester Hospitals Charity. One way we have done this is through taking part in the Lions at Large Sculpture Trail. Before the May half-term holiday, Miss Davis and all of our pupils worked on Sir Roar-a-Lot (our lion) to bring our design to life! This was a wonderful activity and each child enjoyed adding something to our lion, whether it was a SHINE-Y star to his mane or painting his paws! Doesn't he look roar-some?

The lion has now been returned to the charity ready for the sculpture trail.... and you and your family can visit him in the coming weeks. From 11th July until 14th September, Sir Roar-a-Lot can be found hiding in Regents Arcade in Cheltenham (near the Regis Salon) with many more lions. We would LOVE to see any photographs/selfies you take with our lion whilst out shopping. Please send these into the office FAO: Miss Davis. Please see the attached poster for further information about the trail... happy hunting!



## Author Visit



We are very excited to announce that local, bestselling children's author, B. Ware, will be returning to visit our school next week on Monday 7th July!

As some of you may recall, she officially opened our school library after the flooding earlier in the year.

She will be running workshops for our Year 2 and 3 pupils this time (Years 4-6 previously enjoyed this) and signing her book(s) after school.

Her second book, *May Contain Dragons*, was released in March and has excellent reviews. B. Ware will be handing out free stickers and bookmarks to all pupils (no purchase necessary) after school; she will also be selling signed copies of her book.

She can accept cash or card payments at her stall in the hall at the end of the school day. Books can also be purchased by bringing in cash (£8.99) on the day. However, if you are interested in purchasing beforehand, it's currently on offer at £8.15 on Amazon. You can send your child in with cash on the day or pop by the hall at the end of the school day. If you have any questions, please ask me on the school gates after school, Miss Davis

## Summer Fiesta- Friday 4th July 3.30-5.30

### FAQs

Is the Summer Fiesta like Bounce Fest?

No, this year, whilst we have some inflatables, we are doing things a little differently! The Summer Fiesta will see a range of games & inflatables in addition to music and live performances (including a C of E talent show!) The Summer Fiesta is free entry too! Don't forget to bring a picnic blanket or camping chairs so you can sit back, relax and enjoy!

Are cash or card payments accepted?

This year, we are trialling a cashless system. Each Summer Fiesta stall will operate a ticket system. The only exceptions are the bar/ticket stall which will accept card and cash.

Where and when can I purchase my tickets?

Tickets can be purchased after school each day outside the school hall/kitchen (KS2 playground) and will be sold in denominations of £5 or £10. We will give these tickets out on Friday afternoon to the children to ensure they do not get lost beforehand.

We advise you to buy some before Friday to ensure you are not waiting in long queues.

So how does the cashless system work?

Each ticket has a cash value of 50p; each stall varies in price.

For example, axe throwing will cost 4 tokens (£2) whereas Tin Can Alley will cost 1 token (50p). The signs on each stall will clearly identify how many tokens are needed. If you find you need more tokens, you can top up at the Fiesta. Just locate Miss Davis & Miss Cheal on the ticket stall!



## School diary week beginning 30th June 2025

| Day  | The School Day                                                                                                               | After school                                              |                                                       | Summer Lunch Menu<br>Week 3                                                                         |
|------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon  | <b>'It's your move' workshop</b><br>Year 6                                                                                   | <b>Basketball Club</b><br>Year 4 - 6<br>3.15pm - 4:15pm   | <b>Rounders Club</b><br>Year 4 - 6<br>3.15pm - 4:15pm | Meatballs & Pasta<br>Veggie Sausages & Pasta                                                        |
| Tues | <b>Arts Week Arts Exhibition</b><br>All parents/carers welcome<br>3 - 3:30pm                                                 | <b>Creativity Club</b><br>Rec - 2<br>3.15 - 4.15pm        | <b>Cricket Club</b><br>Year 3 - 6<br>3.15 - 4.15pm    | Chicken Korma with<br>Naan Bread & Rice                                                             |
|      |                                                                                                                              | <b>Outdoor Adventure Club</b><br>Rec - 6<br>3.15 - 4.15pm |                                                       | Vegetable Wraps & Rice                                                                              |
| Wed  | <b>Morning run club</b><br>Year 1 – 6<br>8:00 - 8.30am<br><br><b>Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play</b><br>Gates open at 9:15am | <b>Science Club</b><br>Year 3 - 6<br>3.15 - 4.15pm        |                                                       | Homemade Cottage Pie<br>& Yorkshire Pudding<br><br>Homemade Vegetable<br>Pie & Yorkshire Pudding    |
| Thur | <b>Bizarre Bible Show</b><br>Yr 2 - 3 (am)<br>Year 4 - 6 (pm)<br><br><b>Bead Craft Club</b><br>Year 3 - 4<br>12.45 - 1.15    | <b>French Club</b><br>Year 1 - 3<br>3.15pm - 4pm          | <b>Tennis Club</b><br>Year 3 - 6<br>3.15pm - 4:15pm   | Homemade Pepperoni<br>Pizza & Wedges<br><br>Homemade Margherita<br>Pizza<br>Dairy Free Cheese Pizza |
| Fri  | <b>Field Work Friday</b><br><br><b>PTFA Summer Fayre</b><br>3:30 - 5:30pm                                                    | <b>Creativity Club</b><br>Year 3 - 5<br>3.15 - 4.15pm     |                                                       | Cod Fillet with chips<br><br>Jacket Potato with a<br>choice of fillings                             |





# 2024/25 Calendar

## Summer Term

30th June - It's Your Move - Year 6 workshop

2nd July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play

3rd July - Year 2 - 6 Bizarre Bible performance at Tewkesbury Baptist Church (more info to follow)

4th July - Field Work Day (more info to follow)

4th July - Summer Fayre (more info to follow)

7th July - Author B.Ware Visit

9th July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play Reserve Date

11th July - Year 5 Med Fest

14th July - Reception Stay and Play - 9:30am

16th July - Rec - Year 2 Celebration Assembly - 2pm

16th July - Tewkesbury School Leavers Service - Tewkesbury Abbey - 1:30pm

17th July - Year 3 - 5 Celebration Assembly - 2pm

18th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 1:45pm

**21st July - Inset Day**





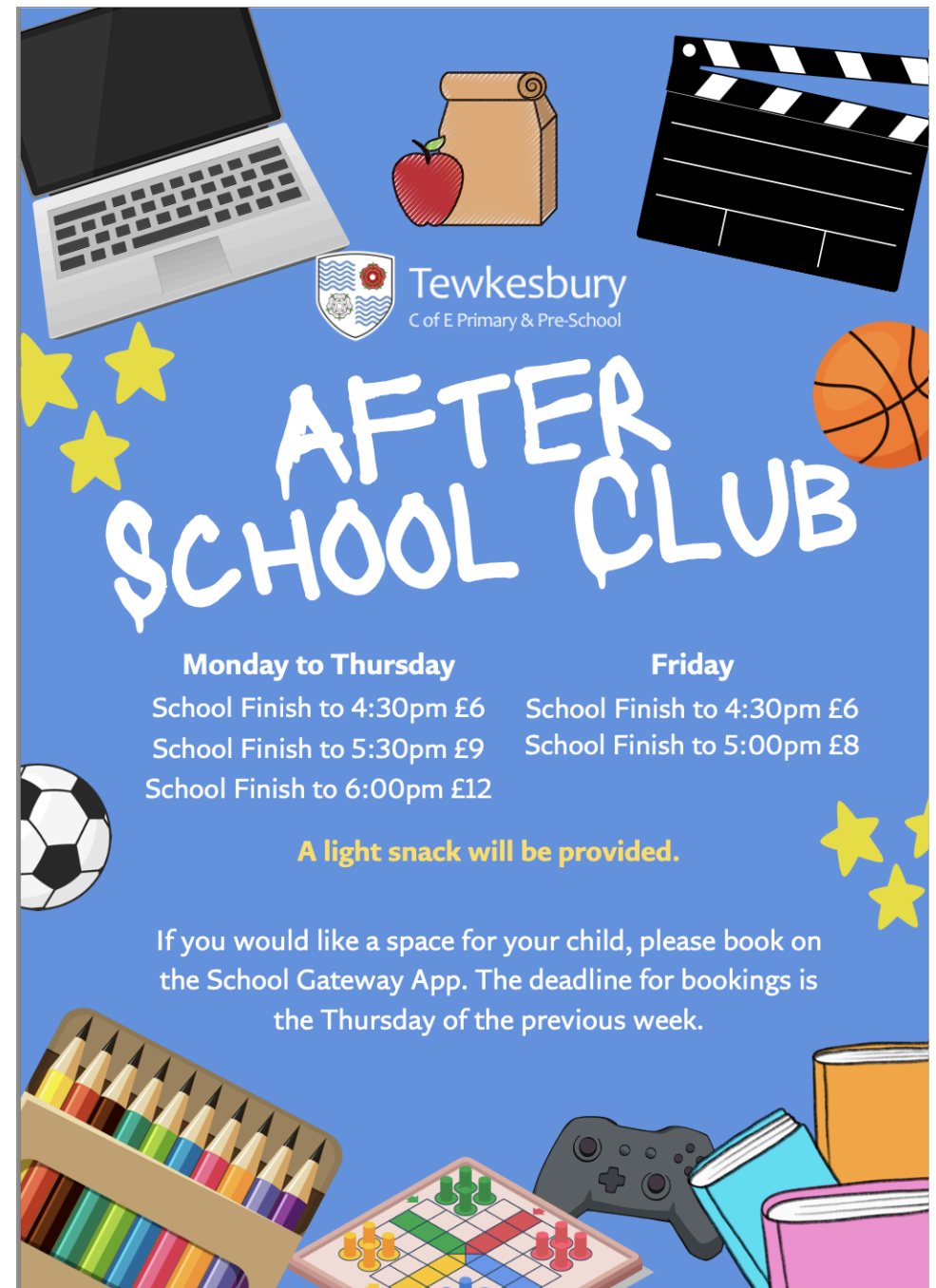
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# BREAKFAST CLUB

**Monday to Friday**  
8:00am - School Start

**£4.25 per child**

**A variety of breakfast options for your child to choose from.**



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# AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

| <b>Monday to Thursday</b>   | <b>Friday</b>              |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| School Finish to 4:30pm £6  | School Finish to 4:30pm £6 |
| School Finish to 5:30pm £9  | School Finish to 5:00pm £8 |
| School Finish to 6:00pm £12 |                            |

**A light snack will be provided.**

If you would like a space for your child, please book on the School Gateway App. The deadline for bookings is the Thursday of the previous week.



A vibrant poster for a 'Summer Fiesta' event. The background is light blue with green palm fronds and brown trunks. Musical notes float in the air. A yellow sunburst in the top right corner contains the text 'Free Entry!'. The title 'Summer Fiesta' is written in large, stylized red letters with a yellow outline. Below the title, a list of activities is presented in green capital letters, separated by orange stars. At the bottom, the date and time are displayed in bold brown and white text. Decorative elements include a red and white striped beach umbrella and an orange starfish on the sandy ground.

**Free Entry!**

# Summer Fiesta

INFLATABLES ★ BAR  
FOOD ★ ICE-CREAM  
GAMES ★ FACE-PAINTING  
MUSIC ★ TALENT SHOW  
& MUCH MORE!

**FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025**  
**3:30PM-5:30PM**



A Wild in Art event



## Find the Pride of Gloucestershire this Summer with our roarsome Art Trail!

Find over 30 large lion sculptures in Cheltenham and Gloucester from 11 July to 14 September 2025.

Visit our website:

[lionsatlarge.co.uk](https://lionsatlarge.co.uk)



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# SUMMER ACTIVITIES

**Old Baptist  
Chapel**

**10am - 12pm  
(£1 per child)**

**Drop-in  
(Pre-booking advisable)**



**SPINNING TOY**  
23rd & 25th July



**BUG HUNT & BUG HOTELS**  
30th & 31st July  
10am & 11am -  
(meeting at the John Moore Museum)



**HOT AIR BALLOONS**  
6th & 7th August



**MUSHROOM FAIRY HOUSE**  
13th & 14th August



**PAPER OCTOPUS**  
20th & 21st August



**DINOSAUR HATS**  
27th & 28th August



**To book call 01684 297174 or email  
[admin@johnmooremuseum.org](mailto:admin@johnmooremuseum.org)**





# Tewkesbury Academy Sports Centre



## Summer Holiday Courses

Running throughout the Summer  
Monday – Friday 9–4pm:

Prices from  
£24 per day

Multi Activity  
Pottery Club  
Football Camp  
Arts and Crafts

Suitable for  
ages 5–12

Crash Course Swim Lessons

(please email for more info on the swim lesson timetable)



More Information



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