

Friday 15th May 2026



Tewkesbury
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt...



As we end the week, we want to pause and recognise just how remarkable our Year 6 pupils continue to be. SATs may now be behind you, but the qualities you've shown throughout the whole process are what truly stand out. Your focus, your humour, your support for one another and the way you've carried yourselves with such maturity have been noticed by every adult who works with you.

Tests can only ever capture a tiny snapshot of what you know. They can't show the thoughtful questions you ask in class, the creativity you bring to your writing or the confidence you've gained in sharing your ideas. They don't reflect the friendships you've built, the leadership you show around school, your sporting success or the quiet determination you bring to challenges that no one else sees.

What we see every day is a group of young people who are growing in character, courage and kindness. You've shown resilience, teamwork and a real sense of pride in doing your best, and those qualities will take you far beyond any test paper.

We are incredibly proud of you, not because of a score on a test, but because of the people you are becoming.

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

Collective Worship (last week), The power of Community



Last Thursday, Father Nick led collective worship focused on community. He shared fascinating insights from a recent day experience learning all about bees, explaining how they work together to build hives. They divide their six-week lifespans between vital roles, spending their first few weeks building and maintaining the hive inside, before spending their final weeks foraging outside for honey.

To show the strength of teamwork, Father Nick challenged three pupils to build a tower. It seemed simple, until he introduced strict limitations: one child could not use their right hand, one could not speak, and one kept their eyes closed. Despite these barriers, and with a little bit of guidance from Father Nick, the team communicated beautifully and succeeded!

Father Nick linked this to the early Church which you can read about in Acts 2 of the bible, where believers shared everything and supported one another. Our children left inspired to use their own unique skills and abilities to help our school community thrive.

An update from preschool and the PTFA



One of our PTFA's projects this year is to support our preschool, providing them with some funds to further develop their outdoor provision. As you can see, they have made an exciting start on this project!

The PTFA have funded picnic benches (which double up as play stations with construction materials inside!), a climbing track, a tyre obstacle course, tough spots and stands and a stage.

A big thank you must go to our school community for supporting our events which, in turn, helps us to fund these projects. We must also say a huge thank you to Mr Hoare, our site manager, who created these exciting additions for the preschool playground.

Pantry Thanks



As a school community, we just want to say a heartfelt thank you for the incredible support you've shown towards our School Pantry. Over the past few weeks we've received a huge number of donations, and every single item has made a real difference to families who need a little extra help.

What has stood out most is the kindness behind it all, the quiet drop-offs, the children proudly bringing in a tin or two, the parents who've given what they can, and the steady stream of generosity from across our community. It's a reminder of what makes this school so special: people looking out for one another.

Your support means that no one has to face challenges alone, and that sense of community strength is something we should all be proud of.

Thank you for continuing to show such compassion and for helping us make a difference where it really matters

Design Sir David Attenborough a Birthday Card!

We are celebrating the incredible life of Sir David Attenborough, and we need your creativity! Your challenge is to design a birthday card to be sent to him. It can be themed around nature, planet earth, wildlife or David Attenborough himself. It is up to you! Your design must be on A4 paper and handed into Miss Cheal by Thursday 31st May. Happy 100th Birthday, David!



2025/26 Calendar

Summer Term 1

22nd May - EYFS Hat Party
22nd May - PTFA Break the rules, summer edition
w/b 25th May - Half Term

Summer Term 2

1st June - Year 3 Trip to Cadbury World
5th June - Fieldwork Friday - tbc
w/b 8th June - Year 1 Phonics Screening checks
9th June - Year 5 computer programming workshop
10th June - Year 2 trip to Nature in Art
11th June - Drama club performance
12th June - Cheltenham & District athletics competition
w/b 15th June - Year 6 Residential to Oaker Wood
17th June - Year 1 trip to Weston Supermare
23rd June - Year 6 it's your move workshop
24th June - Meet your new teacher morning
24th & 25th June - Tewkesbury Academy Move up day
w/b 29th June - Arts Week
1st July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play
8th July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play Reserve Date
9th July - Tewkesbury School's Rounders competition
10th July - Medieval Festival
15th July - Rec - Year 2 Celebration Assembly - 2pm
15th July - Tewkesbury School Y6 Leavers Service at Tewkesbury Abbey (info to follow)
16th July - Year 3 - 5 Celebration Assembly - 2pm
17th July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 1:45pm
17th July - Last day of Summer Term
20th July - Inset Day

School diary week beginning 18th May 2026

Day	The School Day	After school	Summer Lunch Menu Week 3
Mon		Athletics Club 3.10 - 4.15pm Table Tennis Club 3.10 - 4.15pm Basketball Club 3.10-4.15pm	Homemade Tomato & Cheese Pasta Bake Homemade Broccoli & Cheese Pasta Bake
Tues	Outdoor learning session For selected children	Trinkets & Treasures Club 3.10-4.15pm	Sweet & Sour Pork with Rice Quorn Sweet & Sour with Rice
Wed	Morning Run Club 8.00-8.30am		Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Roasted Quorn Fillet, Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding
Thurs	Bead Craft Club 12.45-1.15pm Reading & Ready Club 12.30-1.00pm	Drama Club 3.10-4.15pm French Club 3.10-4.00pm	BBQ Chicken Baguette BBQ Quorn Baguette
Fri	Hat Party Reception		Fish Goujons & Smiley Faces Homemade Vegetable Pizza



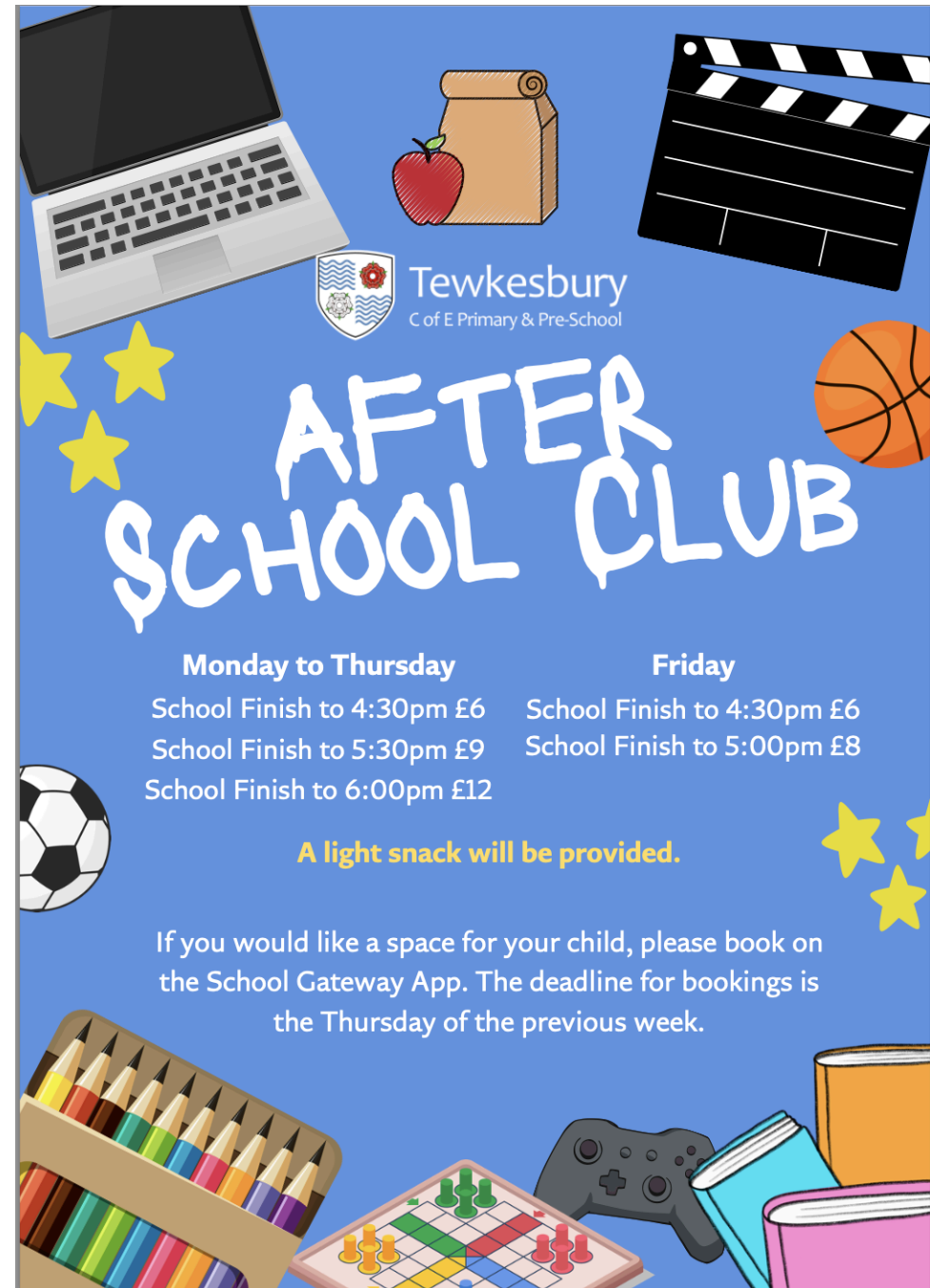
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BREAKFAST CLUB

Monday to Friday
7:45am - School Start

£4.25 per child

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



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AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Monday to Thursday	Friday
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.

Peter & The Wolf

and

Stories from Beatrix Potter

Music by Sergei Prokofiev
and Joe Silmon-Clyde

Performed by

Gloucestershire Symphony Orchestra

Conducted by Glyn Oxley
Leader: Marie Roberts-Watkins
Narrator: Lydia Kenny



May 31st | 3pm | The Roses Theatre, Tewkesbury

Tickets available from The Roses Theatre
Adults £15, Children £10

www.gloucestershiresymphony.org.uk
Registered Charity: 294582



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FOOTBALL HOLIDAY COURSES



**MAY HALF TERM
2026**

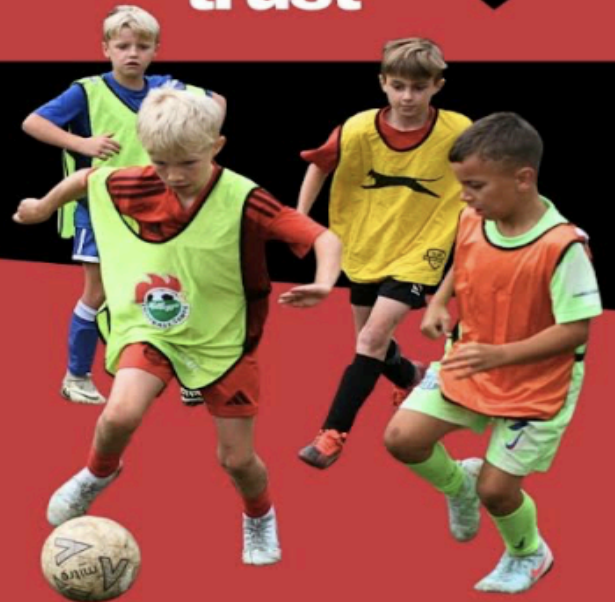
Cheltenham Town
**Community
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**MIXED SESSIONS
FOR ALL ABILITIES**

Ages
5-12

**9AM
3PM**



LOCATIONS:

BISHOPS CLEEVE FOOTBALL CLUB

ST JAMES' PRIMARY SCHOOL

Cheltenham Town Community Trust Charity No. 1180210



**GIRLS ONLY
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Ages
6-13

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3PM**

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NATURE AT ITS HEART
FOR AGES 5 - 12

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8:30AM- 3:30PM

£45 PER DAY, PER CHILD

8:30AM- 5:30PM

£55 PER DAY, PER CHILD

WEDNESDAY, 27TH OF MAY

AT NORTON VILLAGE HALL

OLD TEWKESBURY ROAD, NORTON, GL2 9LJ

PLEASE NOTE, YOU ARE WELCOME TO DROP OF YOUR CHILD ANYTIME FROM 8.15 UNTIL 9.15AM



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Programme Front Cover Competition

Ages 4-11

**Design the front cover for this year's
This is Tewkesbury event programme.**

**Email your design to thisistewkesbury@gmail.com
with the subject 'Programme Front Cover Competition' and the
designer's full name and age by 15th May.
Designs should be portrait A4.**

**This is Tewkesbury is a new annual event celebrating
everything our local community has to offer,
such as singing, dancing, art and sports.
So, show us what makes Tewkesbury special.**

**The winning design will feature on the front cover of this year's
event programme on Saturday 13th June 2026 at the Abbey and
its grounds, and the winner will receive an arty prize.**



ACTING UP!

SUMMER DRAMA ACADEMY

28th - 30th July, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Tewkesbury Baptist Church

Acting! Singing! Dancing! Games!

Musical Theatre! Arts & Crafts!

**Showcase performance
on the final afternoon!**

Suitable for children and young people aged 6 - 18 years!

£10 off all bookings taken before May 1st 2026.

For more information, or to reserve your place, please

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