

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

19th June 2024

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt

Goodbye from Mrs Farren

It has been an honour to work alongside Mr Rylatt and the team here at Tewkesbury during the last two years. The school continues to go from strength to strength, both academically and what it offers beyond the curriculum. It has been a fantastic community to be part of and I have loved getting to know the staff team, the governors and the wonderful children. As I leave my role as Executive Headteacher, I know that I leave it in the very best of hands. This is an incredibly exciting time for the school with a strong leadership team and dedicated staff. I will continue to work with the school in other capacities as local schools work in close partnership. For me, this has been a truly incredible two years and Tewkesbury School will always have a place in my heart.

Message from the governors

We have been incredibly lucky to have Mrs Farren for two years, and it is hard to believe she is leaving. It is also hard to express how grateful we are for everything she has done in those two years. During that time, as our Executive Headteacher, Mrs Farren has overseen improvements in every area of the school, culminating in our best ever SATs results.

Mrs Farren, thank you very much for all of your hard work and excellent support for our school. Thank you for always being so positive, and so passionate about our children. Thank you for being so generous in sharing your expertise and your wisdom. Thank you for your care and compassion, and for always putting our children at the heart of your decision making.

You will be leaving behind a school that is in a stronger position than when you joined us and we know that, with Mr Rylatt as our Head Teacher we will continue to improve and go from strength to strength.

Year 5 Visit the Medieval Festival



Last Friday, Year 5 participated in the annual Medieval festival school's programme. Children learnt how to wield a sword, an axe and a mace as part of their squire training. They visited battle camps and had the opportunity to ask Queen Margaret of France questions. This was followed by target practice using a bow and arrow and entertainment from musicians with medieval instruments such as a citole and a crumhorn! The afternoon's activities involved entertainment by Jesters and, armed with foam swords, taking part in a battle reenactment!

Year 3 turns into a chocolate factory



Year 6 Leavers Service



On Monday, our Year 6 students participated in the Tewkesbury Schools Leavers' Service at the Abbey, joining all the local primary schools in a heartwarming event. Each school performed a song, and we must say, the C of E children were truly outstanding, stealing the show with their fantastic performance—especially impressive considering they only had two days to prepare!

Our Year 6 students also dazzled us with their brilliant leavers assembly. We will dearly miss this remarkable group; they have been a credit to both the school and their parents/carers. We are confident they will continue to excel as they embark on the next chapter of their lives.

Year 6's at their annual, end of year water fight!



Summer Library Challenge



On Monday, Tewkesbury Library visited the school to talk about all of the exciting things they had to offer over the summer holiday, from summer competitions and free books to free events, coding clubs and much more! We look forward to finding out how many children visited, when we return to school in September.

A final message from Mr Rylatt

What an incredible year it has been! I can hardly believe it's over. It was wonderful to welcome so many of you to the celebration assemblies over the past few days. I love these events as they truly showcase the amazing work and experiences the children get to enjoy. They also highlight how fantastic you all are in supporting your children and their education. I'm really looking forward to creating more opportunities to invite you into the school to be part of your child's journey next year.

There are so many highlights from the year, that it'd be impossible to list them all - from the various trips and residential to Sports day, OPAL and our outstanding SATs results. The school is going from strength to strength, and it is a wonderful community to be a part of. As mentioned earlier, Mrs. Farren has been a significant part of our journey over the past few years. She has taught me personally, as well as the staff, a tremendous amount. We would like to thank her from the bottom of our hearts for everything she has done for us - we are better because of her.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a wonderful summer break. I hope you manage to relax and enjoy yourselves. We are more excited than ever to welcome you back in September, ready to do it all again!

School diary week beginning 2nd September 2024

Day	The School Day	After school	Autumn Lunch Menu Week 1
Mon	INSET DAY		Cheesy Pasta Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
Tues	INSET DAY		BBQ Chicken with Rice Vegetable Fajitas

Wed	First Day back to school		Pork Meatballs in gravy with mash potato Quorn Sausages with gravy & mash potato
Thur			Popcorn Chicken & Rice Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
Fri	Bounce Fest rescheduled PTFA event 3:30 - 5:30pm		Star Fish with Chips Homemade Vegetable Pizza

Important Dates

Wednesday 18th September - Flu Nasal Immunisation

Thursday 26th September - African Drumming Workshop

Thursday 3rd October - Year 6 trip to Winchcombe Steam

Wednesday 23rd October - Year 2 trip to Black Country Living Museum

w/b 28th October - Half term