

Friday 15th November



Tewkesbury
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt...

This week has been one of celebration, reflection and new beginnings here at Tewkesbury C of E. We proudly opened our brand-new library, marking a fresh chapter after the flood, with a special visit from B.Ware, an inspiring author who sparked excitement in our young readers. Our local MP also joined us, offering support for our school's recovery journey. In a moving tribute, our Year 6 students led a Remembrance service, honouring those who served and sacrificed. Their thoughtful reflections reminded us of the importance of gratitude, unity and peace. With these experiences and many more, it's been a memorable week.

Author visit



Yesterday, we welcomed local author, B.Ware, into our school. She began the day by delivering a whole school assembly about her debut book 'Warning: Magic Can Be Dangerous' (and reading us the first two chapters!). Years 4-6 then took part in a Creative Writing workshop.

The children were incredibly enthused to produce some excellent (and funny!) stories. We certainly have some budding authors within our school! At the end of the day, we were incredibly privileged to watch B. Ware officially re-open our library!

We had a wonderful time and are looking to book B. Ware later in the school year for our younger pupils!

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

Visit from Cameron Thomas, MP for Tewkesbury



Last Friday, we were delighted to welcome Cameron Thomas, the MP for Tewkesbury, to our school. He visited to see firsthand how we've been coping in the aftermath of the recent flooding, which has brought unique challenges to our school community. Mr. Thomas spent time with our Year 6 students, sharing stories about his life and experiences as an MP, which sparked plenty of curiosity. The highlight, however, was his session with our school council, where our students impressed him—and everyone else—with their thoughtful questions and gave him possibly a tougher grilling than he's used to in the House of Commons! We're very grateful for Mr. Thomas' time and support and we know his visit left a lasting impression on our children.

Remembrance Day Service



Year 6 delivered a fantastic Remembrance Day Service this week. Their thoughtful readings and beautiful singing were both moving and respectful and they really captured the significance of the day. We're so proud of how they approached this with such maturity - it was a credit to them all.

ESFA Football



On Tuesday evening, our Year 5 and 6 children took to the pitch at Tewkesbury Academy for the ESFA football cup competition, where they showcased some truly impressive skills! Each player gave their all, showing superb teamwork and sportsmanship. One memorable match saw us hit the post twice, strike the bar and push the opposing keeper into multiple heroic saves - yet still end with a nail-biting 0-0 draw!

After a series of hard-fought games and some impressive goals, we finished as well-deserved runners-up. We couldn't be prouder of the team's incredible effort and their representation of Tewkesbury C of E.

Year 2 Clay



Jade class had a wonderful time creating clay tiles in the style of William Morris, the Victorian artist they have been looking at in their art unit. It was their first time using the new art studio and by the looks of their fantastic creations, it certainly put them into a creative mood!

Christmas Art Competition



We are welcoming all pupils (including our preschool children) to enter our Christmas art competition! We would like you to produce a piece of art that can be used in either our school's Christmas Abbey service or Holy Trinity's Carols by Candlelight service programmes OR Holy Trinity's Christingle Service programme.

During Collective Worship, the children were shown examples of artwork, however, we would like them to be as creative as possible! For the Christmas Abbey/ Carols by Candlelight services, we would like artwork to link to the Nativity Story; the Christingle service artwork should link to Christingle. The children can use any medium of art (drawing, painting, sculpture, textiles etc) and work should be named and handed into Miss Davis by Friday 22nd November.

Each child who enters the competition will receive a certificate; runners-up and winner prizes will also be given. Results will be announced on Tuesday 3rd December in Collective Worship.

Parents' Evening information

We will be holding our parents' evening during the week beginning 25th November, where your child's class teacher will be offering at least two dates for you to sign up. To book your 10 minute slot to meet your child's class teacher you will need to click on the link and complete your details: <https://tewkesburyprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/> The booking form will open at 7pm on Monday 18th November and will close on Friday 22nd November at 6pm. We look forward to seeing you all very soon.

PTFA Shopping night

The PTFA are excited to announce the return of our annual Christmas Shopping Night on Friday 6th December. The event will be held in the school hall and we have over 15 stalls offering a fantastic range of Christmas presents and stocking fillers. We also have a well-stocked bar (mulled wine, anyone?) We hope to see as many of you as possible! The event is free entry.

On Friday 29th November, the PTFA will be running a non-uniform day. We kindly ask that, in return, Reception-Year 2 bring in chocolate and KS2 (Years 3-6) bring in a bottle. The PTFA will then hold a tombola stall on the night.



School diary week beginning 18th November 2024

Day	The School Day	After school		Autumn Lunch Menu Week 2
Mon		Choir Year 3 - 6 3:10 - 4:15pm	Art Club Year 4 - 6 3:10 - 4:00pm	Chicken Goujons
		Football Club Year 3 - 6 3:10 - 4:15 pm	Parents' Evening Sign up opens 7pm	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
Tues	John Moore Museum Visit Year 6	Netball Club Year 5 - 6 3:10 - 4:15pm		Chicken & Bacon Pasta in Cheese Sauce
		Drawing Club Year 1 - 3 3:10 - 4pm	ESFA Girls Football Year 5 - 6 3:40 - 5:00pm	Quorn Cheesy Pasta
Wed	Year 2 Victorian Day Chill Out Zone Year 1 - 2 12:45 - 1:15pm	Tag Rugby Year 3 - 6 3:10 - 4:15pm		Homemade Cottage Pie Homemade Quorn Cottage Pie
Thur	New Reception (2025/26) Open Morning 10:00 - 11:00am	Table Tennis Year 3 - 6 3:10 - 4:15pm		Sausages & Chips
		French Club Year 1 - 6 3:10 - 4pm		Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza
Fri	Lego Club Year 1 - 3 12:45 - 1:15pm	Archery Year 3 - 6 3:10 - 4:15pm		Fish Fingers with Chips Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings



2024/25 Calendar

Autumn Term

20th November - Victorian Day (Year 2)
 21st November - Open Morning - New Reception (2025/26) - 10am
 3rd December - Open Morning - New Reception (2025/26) - 10am
 5th December - Christmas Abbey Service - 2pm
 6th December - Christmas Shopping Night - PTFA
 11th December - Christmas Dinner
 13th December - Reception Nativity and Stay and Play - 9:30am
 18th December - Year 1 - 3 Celebration Assembly - 2pm
 19th December - Year 4 - 6 Celebration Assembly - 2pm

Spring Term

6th January - Inset Day
 16th January - Year 5 trip to We the Curious
 14th January - Young Voices
w/b 17th February - Half term
 3rd April - Reception Stay and Play - 9:30am
 9th April - Easter service at Tewkesbury Abbey - 2pm

Summer Term

28th April - Inset Day
 29th April - 1st May - Year 4 Residential - Pioneer Centre
 w/b 12th May - Year 6 SAT
w/b 26th May - Half term
 2nd June - Start of MTC Window (2 weeks)
 w/b 16th June- Year 6 Residential Oaker Wood
 2nd July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play
 9th July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play Reserve Date
 14th July - Reception Stay and Play - 9:30am
 16th July - Rec - Year 2 Celebration Assembly - 2pm
 17th July - Year 3 - 5 Celebration Assembly - 2pm
 18th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly - 1:45pm
21st July - Inset Day



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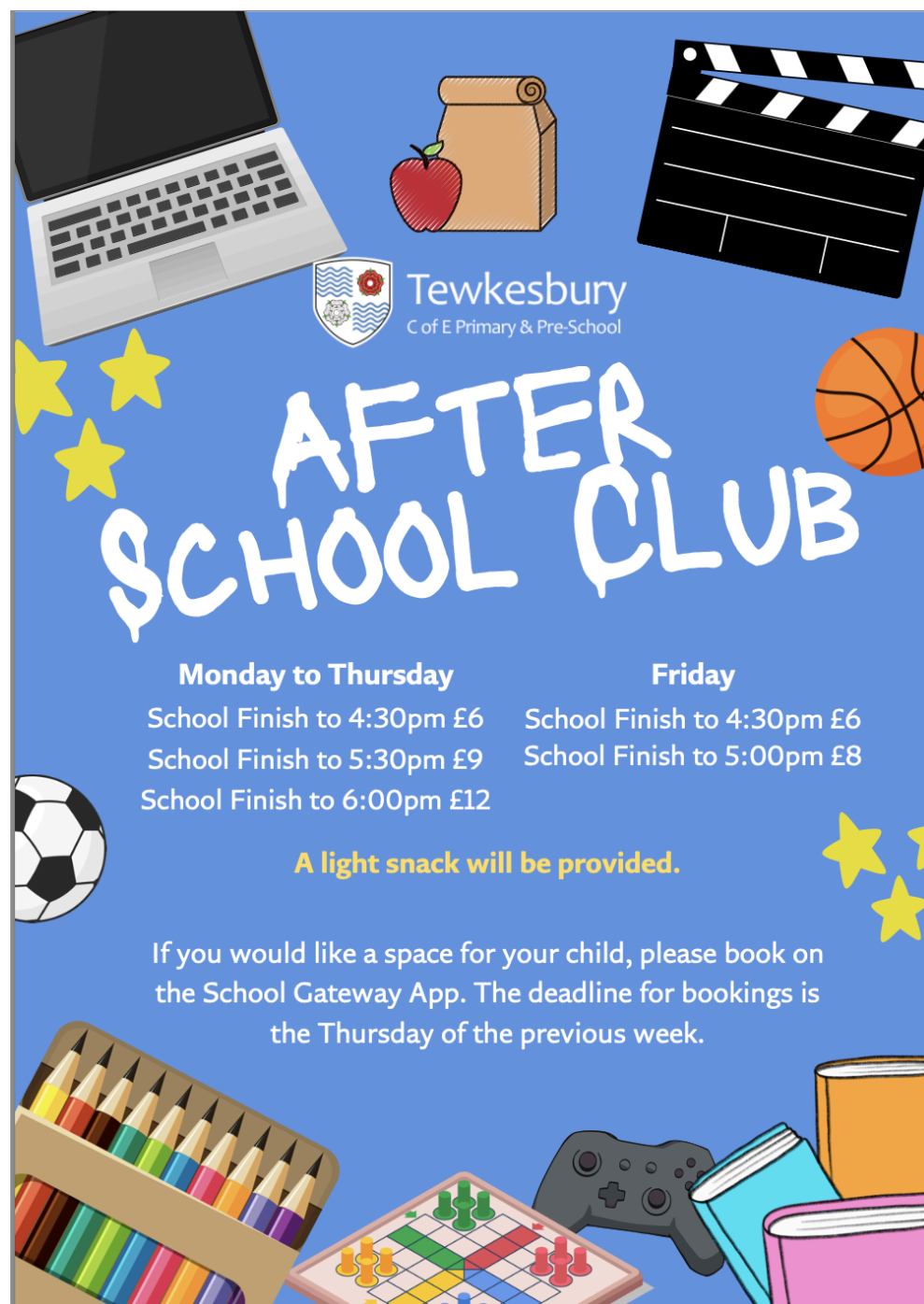
BREAKFAST CLUB

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

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.

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FREE ENTRY!

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR

Christmas

SHOPPING NIGHT

FRIDAY DECEMBER 06 6:30PM-8:30PM
2024

TEWKESBURY C OF E SCHOOL HALL

WE HAVE OVER 15 AMAZING STALLS AND A WELL-STOCKED BAR OFFERING A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE. PLEASE COME ALONG AND GET SOME GORGEOUS PRESENTS AND STOCKING FILLERS WHILST SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL TOO!

TADS Community Classrooms

Bringing arts and culture
to our community

**Tewkesbury
Arts &
Drama
Society**
www.tads.org.uk

Free!

Free workshops and events for families and adults starting September 2024

Once a month, from 7.30pm, at Tewkesbury C of E Primary School

Wednesday 18th September	Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes & Pigeon Story Recited by Geoff Guy. For all the family. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.
Wednesday 23rd October	Adult Drama Workshop: Melodrama Run by William Tombs. For over 16s only.
Wednesday 13th November	Troll Hunting Poetry Workshop Run by Brenda Read-Brown. For over 8s and adults. Ages 8-16 must be accompanied by an adult.
Friday 17th January	Adult Drama Workshop: Improvisation Run by Emily Hastings (of Acting Up). For over 16s only.
Friday 14th February	Adult Valentine Ukulele Workshop Run by Oonagh Hughes. For over 8s and adults. Ages 8-16 must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring your own ukulele or contact TADS on Facebook to borrow one.
Wednesday 12th March	Sign-Along-A -Song Workshop Run by Debbie Wiggins. All welcome but recommended for age 10+ to get the most of out it. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

Join us for **TADS Community Classrooms**, a collaboration between
Tewkesbury Arts & Drama Society and C of E Primary School.
Enjoy a variety of free workshops and events designed to enrich our community.
Discover new skills, meet new people, and celebrate the arts together!
Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. 7.30pm start.
No booking required. Just come along!





Presents

SHINING STARS!

Innovative Drama Classes for 3-7 year olds.

Churchdown – 9.15 -9.45.

Twynning – 3.20-3.50pm.

Term Term Saturdays - First lesson **free**.

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MUSIC LESSONS AT TEWKESBURY CofE!

We're looking for students who would like to learn singing or woodwind!

We have a 100% pass rate with many gaining merits and distinctions and we're a multi award winning local company.

We provide one to one lessons from experienced teachers/musicians and can offer students opportunities to perform live on stage in front of a crowd - we want to make sure you get the tools you need to be the next big thing!

We also provide termly progress reports and a newsletter to keep you up to date with all the Music Guru news.

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Thursdays 15:15 -16:00

From Year 1 to Year 3



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