

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

17th November 2023

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt

As we reflect on the past week, it is with great joy and gratitude that we share the wonderful experiences our school community has had. Children in Need Day brought us together in the spirit of generosity and compassion. The enthusiasm and creativity displayed by our students in raising funds showcased the caring hearts that beat within our school. Additionally, Anti-Bullying Week provided a valuable opportunity for open conversations about kindness, empathy and respect. The children engaged in meaningful activities that emphasised the importance of fostering a safe and inclusive environment. These events not only raised awareness but also highlighted the strength of our collective commitment to nurturing well-rounded, compassionate individuals.

Teddy Bear Competition for Children in Need



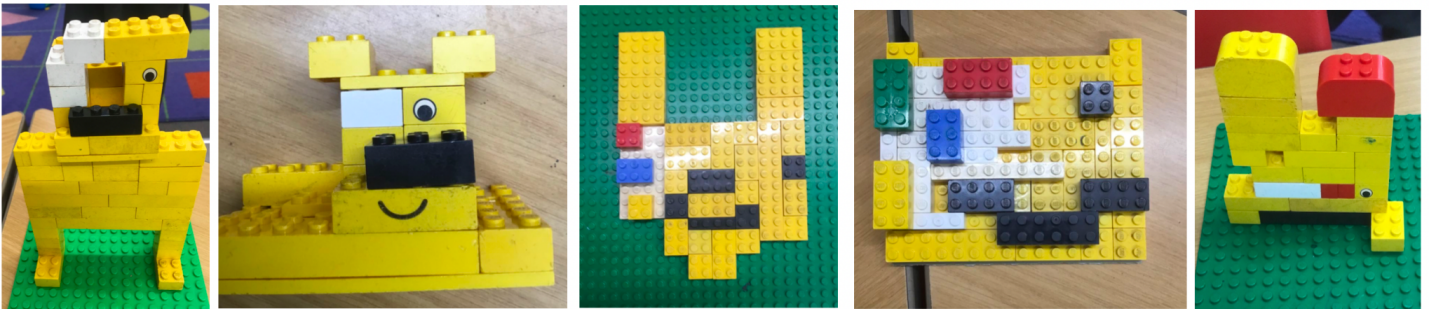
We have been blown away by the number (and quality) of our Children in Need Teddy Competition. I know the School Council (and staff) found it really hard to choose winners. Thank you to everyone who took part and helped us to raise money towards such an important cause.

Children in Need Teddy Bear winners



Here are the winners of the Children in Need Teddy Bear competition, we think you did a marvellous job on dressing your teddies. Thanks again to everyone who entered. The finished outfits looked fantastic and we're going to miss having the teddies around the school! We'd like to say a big thank you to the school council and in particular to Adam H, who had the idea for the competition at one of our school council meetings.

Lego Club



Lego club got into the swing of Children in Need this week, and created their own Pudseys' out of lego. Don't you agree that they look fantastic! Well done lego club.

Pre-School



This week, Pre School has been celebrating nursery rhyme week, where they have learnt a new song every day. These include; wind the bobbin up, the Incy Wincy Spider and Humpty Dumpty. Which one is your favourite?

Reception learn about Diwali



This week, in Reception, we have been learning all about the festival Diwali and what happens on each of the 5 days of the wonderful festival. We have decorated the classroom with beautiful rangoli patterns, dressed in traditional clothing, made our own diya lamps and followed instructions to make delicious coconut ice. Happiness is in the Air, It's Diwali everywhere, Let's Show Some Love and Care, And Wish Everyone out there...Happy Diwali!!!

iSingPop



We welcomed iSinPop back for the day on Tuesday, where they taught our KS2 children some Christmas songs. We were so impressed with how quickly our children picked them up and how great they sounded, so much so that we would like to put on a short **iSingPop performance on Wednesday 12th December at 2:30pm** (in the school hall), to showcase the fantastic singing.

Parents' Evening information

We will be holding our parents' evening during the week beginning 27th 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 6pm on Friday 17th November and will close on Friday 24th November at 6pm. We look forward to seeing you all very soon.

Welcome to all of our new families

Throughout the year, we've had the pleasure of welcoming numerous new families to the C of E community, with 17 new students joining us since September. A heartfelt welcome to each of you! You've become part of a truly fantastic, supportive, and friendly community. We're excited to get to know you better and share in the successes and milestones of your children. Here's to a wonderful journey together!

Value displays



Our recently introduced Hope and Peace value displays have significantly elevated the positive atmosphere in our school hall. The Hope exhibit beautifully captures the aspirations our children hold for the year ahead, while the Peace display serves as a poignant reminder of remembrance and prompts us to reflect on the profound meaning of peace in our lives. Our sincere appreciation goes to Mrs. Sweating for her dedicated efforts in bringing these displays to life, and we deeply value the thoughtful contributions from the children.

C of E's reading wish list

Reading continues to be a priority of the school and we have many more exciting developments to come. As mentioned previously, our fantastic PTFA are kindly donating funds to renovate our school library with new furniture and books, to make it a warm and welcoming place for children to ... into their books. We have also identified some amazing books for each of the year groups and we wondered whether you could help us. We would love to get as many books from each list as possible, so if you were browsing a shop and happened to come across one (and you didn't mind buying it) or if you are having a clear out of books and you find one on the list, we would love it if you were happy to donate it. We want our children to have the very best quality literature, as it makes all the difference to their interest and enthusiasm for reading.

Any books should make their way to either the office, Miss Davis or Mr Shaw so we can then label them up.

[Recommended Reads - Reception](#)

[Recommended Reads - Year 1](#)

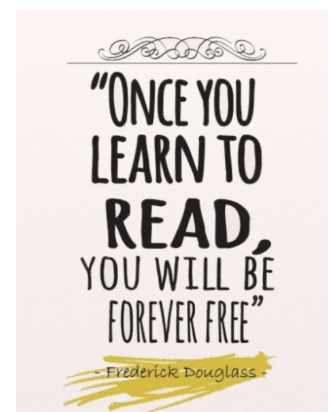
[Recommended Reads - Year 2](#)

[Recommended Reads - Year 3](#)

[Recommended Reads - Year 4](#)

[Recommended Reads - Year 5](#)

[Recommended Reads - Year 6](#)



School diary week beginning 20th November 2023

Day	The School Day		After school		Lunch Menu Week 2
Mon	Lego club (Rec - Y2) 12:30 - 1pm				Pork Meatballs & Pasta Quorn Nuggets & Pasta
Tues	Chess club (Rec - Y6) 12:30 - 1pm		Choir (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm	Art club (Rec - Y1) 3:15 - 4pm	Chicken & Vegetable Fajitas Quorn & Vegetable Fajitas
			Year 3 + 4 Football League 1 (Tewkesbury Academy)		
Wed	Open Morning New Reception Parents 2024 10:00 - 11:00 am		Recorder club (Rec - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm	Tag rugby club (Y5 - Y6) 3:15 - 4.15pm	Braised Beef with Roasties
	Mindfulness club (Rec - Y2) 12:30 - 1pm		Fencing club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4.10pm		Quorn Mince with Roasties
Thur			Drama club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm		Tomato Pasta & Garlic Bread Quorn Wraps
Fri	Book club (Rec - Y6) 12:30 - 1pm	Music club (Rec - Y6) 12:30 - 1pm	Football club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4.15pm		Starfish with Chips Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings

Important Dates

Wednesday 22nd November 2023 - Open morning New Reception Starters in 2024

Wednesday 22nd November 2023 - Year 3 - 4 Football League 1 (at Tewkesbury Academy)

w/b 27th November 2023 - Parents evenings (more info to follow)

Wednesday 6th December 2023 - Open morning New Reception Starters in 2024

Friday 8th December 2023 - Christmas Carol Service at Tewkesbury Abbey (family and friends welcome)

Friday 8th December 2023 - PTFA Christmas Shopping Night

Wednesday 13th December 2023 - Year 1 trip to the Panto (Beauty and the Beast)

Wednesday 13th December 2023 - iSingPop Celebration Assembly - 2:30pm start (for KS2 parents and friends)

Monday 18th December Year 1 - 3 Celebration Assembly - 2pm start (family and friends welcome)

Tuesday 19th December Year 4 - 6 Celebration Assembly - 2pm start (family and friends welcome)

Thursday 21st December Reception Nativity and Stay and Play - 9:30am start (Receptions family and friends)

Friday 22nd December 2023 - Last day of term

Monday 8th January 2024 - School Inset Day

Tuesday 9th January 2024 - First day of Spring term (children return to school)

Pre loved Christmas jumper sale



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Productions

 **Holy Trinity**
TEWKESBURY
MEET GOD • FIND LIFE • MAKE FRIENDS

Presents
Charles Dickens'

A Christmas Carol

Friday 17th November 7:30

Saturday 18th November 7:30

Tickets £5 per person

Suitable for ages 8 +

50% of any monies made will go to
support a local charity



<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/holy-trinity-tewkesbury/t-pqypxqq>



We learn together - shine forever



Tewkesbury C of E Primary School would like to invite you to visit our amazing school, where everyone is encouraged to shine!



Do you have a child due to start school in September 2024? The team at Tewkesbury C of E would be delighted to show you around our fantastic school, so you can see for yourselves why this is the right place for your child to shine.

Dates

Wednesday 8th November at 10am

Wednesday 22nd November at 10am

Wednesday 6th December at 10am

Pre-booking is advisable but not essential. If you would like to make a booking, then please speak to reception who will be more than happy to help. If you are not available for any of the dates listed, please contact the school and we'd be happy to find an alternative date for you.

In the mean time, please check out our website: <https://www.tewkesbury-primary.co.uk>

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You're invited

The Welcome Table

A space to come together with others in the local community. Come in just for a tea or coffee, or enjoy a freshly cooked meal too. Bring your whole family, your friends, a neighbour, or just yourself! Everyone is welcome, it's free of charge and no booking is required.

every other Monday
doors open 3:15
food served 4:45

next dates

- Monday 2 October
- Monday 16 October
- Monday 30 October
- Monday 13 November
- Monday 27 November
- Monday 11 December
- CHRISTMAS BREAK
- Monday 8 January 2024
- Monday 22 January 2024
- ...continues every other Monday

timings

3:15 doors open
3:15 - 4:45 welcome space: tea
and coffee, activities for children
4:45 freshly cooked meal
6:00 end



The Welcome
Table

 Find us on
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