

Friday 4th July 2025



Tewkesbury
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt...

What a week it's been! From the thrill of Sports Day to the joy of picnics and play, the sunshine seemed to bring out the best in everyone. It was fantastic to see the whole school community come together, with plenty of races, laughter and, for the third year running, the parents beating the teachers (but we're not bitter)! The OPAL Stay and Play was a hit too, complete with the longest ice cream queue in school history. Then, on Friday, the children were out and about for Fieldwork Friday, exploring, sketching, scavenging and mapping like true geographers. Plus, our hall was bursting with colour and creativity as we showcased this year's Arts Week displays. A truly brilliant week to be part of Tewkesbury C of E!

Sports Days + OPAL Stay and Play



What a fantastic Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play we had! It was a real joy to see the children racing with smiles on their faces and showing such brilliant sportsmanship throughout. A huge well done to everyone who took part and congratulations to Roses for winning the House Shield!

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

Another wonderful musical experience



Last week, we had Richard and Carrie Sermon who entertained us with some medieval themed music. Richard played the Lute, which is the Grandparent of the guitar, the pipe, the tabor - a one person pipe and drum, and the Madore, a small 4 course lute. One of the instruments could create 12 different notes from just 3 holes! Some children were then invited up to try out a brawl - a late medieval circle dance.

The children were all entertained and joined in enthusiastically with dancing, clapping and just enjoying the sounds of the music.

Bizarre Bible at Tewkesbury Baptist Church



This week, pupils in Years 2–6 enjoyed a performance from 4Front Theatre, who brought their *Bizarre Bible* show to Tewkesbury. The performance explored some of the more unusual and lesser-known Bible stories in a fun and engaging way, helping children connect with the Bible through drama and humour.

The show introduced us to a surprising number of donkeys in the Bible, including the talking donkey in the story of Balaam, and the one linked to Samson. (Fittingly, the show itself was hosted by a talking donkey!) The children also learned about Gideon and how God used him in unexpected ways, even when he felt unsure and afraid.

Most importantly, the performance centred on the story of Jesus, reminding us that while the Bible contains many curious characters and events, its main message is one of hope and good news.

The children responded really positively to the show, and it was a lovely way to bring some of these stories to life. We're grateful to the Tewkesbury Churches Schools team for inviting us to the event.

Arts Week



This week we showcased the children's incredible work from Arts Week, which was all based around architects through history. Each class explored a famous architect, studied their buildings, and then designed and created their own structures in the same style, and the results were nothing short of amazing! It was great to see so many of you walk through the gallery this week and explore the amazing creations for yourselves.

Cool thinking in Year 1!



Year 1 found a brilliant way to beat the heat this week, by creating their very own foot spas! Safe to say, they worked an absolute treat and brought plenty of smiles (and splashes) too.

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 7th July 2025

Day	The School Day	After school		Summer Lunch Menu Week 1
Mon	Author B.Ware Visit	Basketball Club Year 4 - 6 3.15pm - 4:15pm	Rounders Club Year 4 - 6 3.15pm - 4:15pm	Chicken Goujons & Diced Potatoes Vegetable Wraps & Diced Potatoes
Tues	New Reception Sept 2025 & Parents Teddy Bears Picnic 10.00 - 11.30am	Creativity Club Rec - 2 3.15 - 4.15pm	Cricket Club Year 3 - 6 3.15 - 4.15pm	Tomato Pasta Bake & Garlic Bread
		Outdoor Adventure Club Rec - 6 3.15 - 4.15pm		Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
Wed	Morning run club Year 1 – 6 8:00 - 8.30am	Science Club Year 3 - 6 3.15 - 4.15pm		Braised Beef with Roasties & Gravy Vegetable Mince with Roasties & Gravy
Thur	Bead Craft Club Year 3 - 4 12.45 - 1.15		Tennis Club Year 3 - 6 3.15pm - 4:15pm	Cowboy Pie topped with Mash Potato Vegetarian Cowboy Pie topped with Mash Potato
Fri	Year 5 Medieval Festival	Creativity Club Year 3 - 5 3.15 - 4.15pm		Salmon Fishcake with chips Homemade Vegetable Pizza



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2024/25 Calendar

Summer Term

w/b 7th July - Final Week of extra-curricular clubs

7th July - Author B.Ware Visit

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



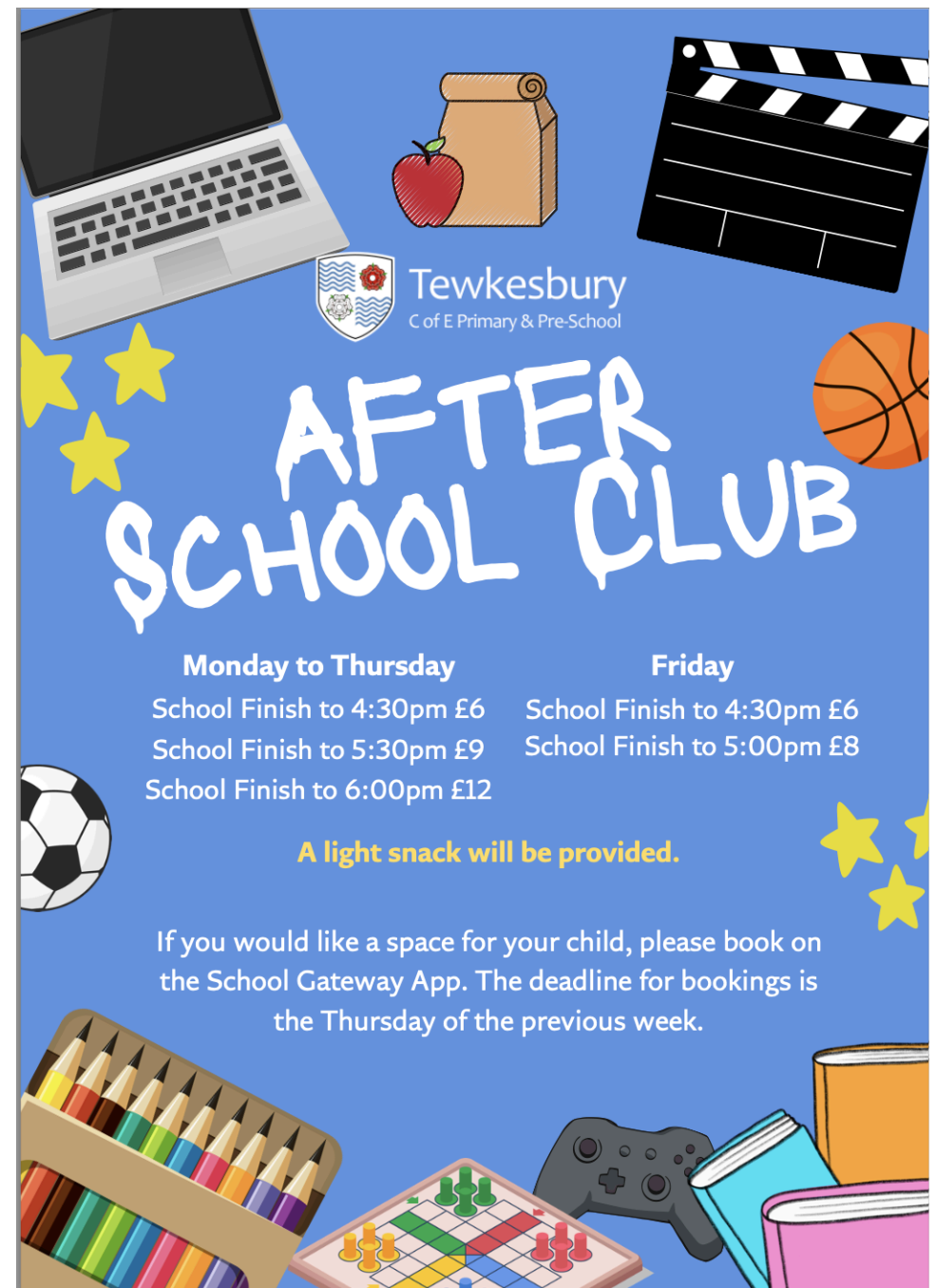
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BREAKFAST CLUB

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

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.



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 4TH JULY 2025
3:30PM-5:30PM



Gloucestershire
Wildlife Trust



TEWKESBURY
TOWN COUNCIL

Tewkesbury

goes

Wild

1st - 31st July



Join us in Tewkesbury for 31 days packed full of nature!

We have free events each day such as ...



Wildlife Gardening

Arts & Crafts

Nature Guardians for under 12s



Dawn & Dusk Walks

Butterfly Counts

... and much more!



**To see a full list of events and book your free place,
just scan the QR code below!**



MISS BUSSEY'S Busy Bees

THE HOLIDAY CLUB WITH
NATURE AT ITS HEART
FOR AGES 5 - 12

HOLIDAY CLUB AGES 5 - 12

8/9AM - 3.30 PM

£40 PER DAY, PER CHILD

8/9AM - 5.30PM

£55 PER DAY, PER CHILD

TUESDAY,

5TH AUGUST

12TH AUGUST

19TH AUGUST

WEDNESDAY,

6TH AUGUST

13TH AUGUST

20TH AUGUST

THURSDAY,

7TH AUGUST

14TH AUGUST

21ST AUGUST

AT SANDHURST COMMUNITY HALL

161 YORKTOWN RD, SANDHURST GU47 9BJ



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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



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Gloucester**
HOSPITALS CHARITY

Registered charity no. 1051606

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Local businesses
improving
our town

THE JOHN MOORE MUSEUM
NATURAL HISTORY HERITAGE LIVING VOICES

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**



PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S PLAY RANGERS

**The Vineyards, Tewkesbury
GL20 5PG**

10am - 4pm

**Mon 28th July, Fri 22nd August
& Thurs 28th August 2025**


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With thanks to Tewkesbury Town Council for funding these sessions



Our Play Ranger activities take place outdoors in all weathers and are open access. This means there is no registration, children are free to come & go as they please.

Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by an adult.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional support to enjoy Play Rangers.
We welcome disabled children & their families.

Play Gloucestershire

Transforming lives through the power of play
www.playgloucestershire.org.uk



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Things you need to know about Play Gloucestershire

Play Gloucestershire - a registered charity - is the leading provider of free, outdoor, active play in the county. Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by a parent or carer. We love it when the whole household joins us at our sessions.

Our Play Ranger activities are open access. This means there is no registration – children can leave the site at any time. Our Play Rangers will not stop them and may not know that they have left.

We encourage children to take responsibilities for their own actions. We think this is good for them. They will be encouraged to resolve disagreements amongst themselves. We will intervene if absolutely necessary.

Play Gloucestershire believe that children need and want to take risks when they play. Our Play Rangers aim to respond to these needs by offering children stimulating, challenging environments for exploring and developing their abilities. In doing this, we aim to manage the level of risk so that children are not exposed to unacceptable risks. Our experience tells us that whilst children play outdoors they are likely to have accidents. If this causes concern please come along and speak to us about it.

All our activities are outdoors and include den building, fires, arts and crafts, sports and a range of playful games. We encourage children to play freely and choose what they do. They do not have to do anything if they don't want to. Children will get wet, hot, cold, smelly and dirty and need to wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Better to wear old play clothes than ruin your best!

Our Play Rangers will provide drinking water at all sessions. We promote healthy eating and sometimes will provide free fruit.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional mobility or other support to enjoy Play Rangers.

For further information:

Visit us at www.playgloucestershire.org.uk

Email info@playgloucestershire.org.uk

Phone 01452 505548

Play Gloucestershire is a registered charity (1126562)



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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