

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

17th February 2023

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt...

It has been another fabulous half term here at C of E but doesn't it go quickly! This week alone, we enjoyed our 'Love what you wear' day where the children got to show off some of their favourite outfits, we had everything from pyjamas and oodles to superheroes and princesses. The children loved it so much, they were all asking me when we can do it all again! Our dedicated PTFA are currently running a Pancake Parlour, which, if the recent cake sale is anything to go by, is sure to be a hit! Over the course of the term, there have been so many highlights which just proves that working with your children is such a wonderful experience and the great news is, there are many more highlights still to come this year! Have a restful and relaxing break and we look forward to seeing you all again soon!

Love what you wear day



Year 1 visit the library



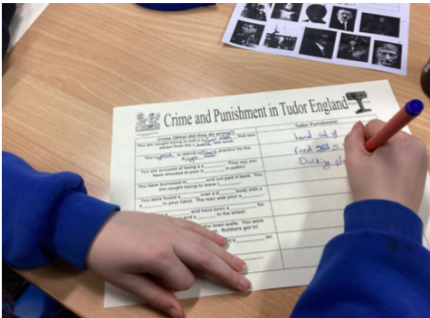
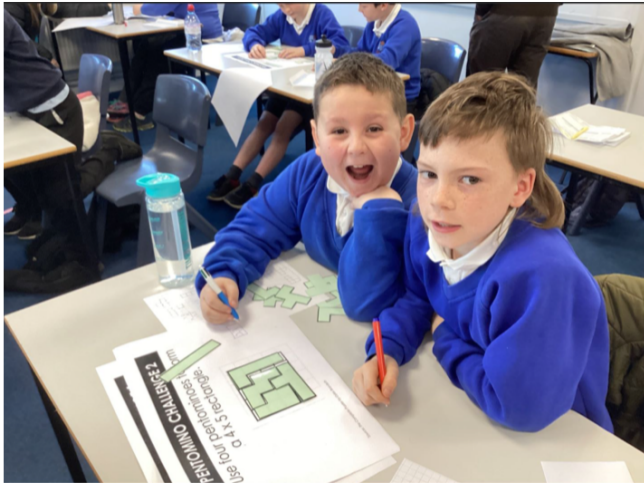
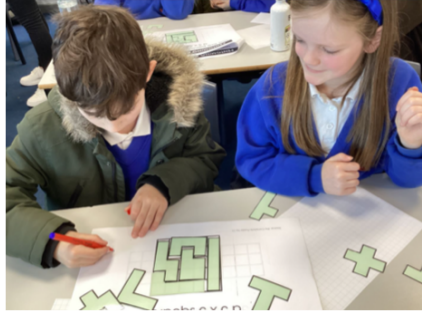
Last Friday, our Year 1 children had a great time visiting Tewkesbury library. During the visit, they selected where their Mary Anning non-fiction book will go and labelled it up. They also completed word searches and colouring, fossil printing in play dough, made large top trumps information cards about dinosaurs, created fossil fact files and they even visited the lab with Rupert's dad to create a dancing dinosaur! It's safe to say, they had a great time!

Look Who's Talking final



Today, we hosted the final of our 'Look Who's Talking' competition and it was amazing to see the confidence of the children who stood up in front of the rest of the school to give their talk. To make the final, the children had to first present a 2-minute talk to their classmates, who then voted for their class winner. There were so many children who entered the competition and we are really proud of all of them for giving us such an enjoyable experience. We've all learnt so much! The winning children were: Adam Holmes, from Year 3-4 and Izzy fry, from Year 5-6. Many congratulations to them, who will now take on other local schools in the grand final.

Year 5 visit the Tewkesbury Comp



On Wednesday, Year 5 visited Tewkesbury Comp for a taster day, so they can see what to expect when they move on to Secondary school. The children had a great day as they took part in Maths challenge, learnt about the gruesomeness of Tudor crime and punishment and enjoyed an energetic PE session in the hall. Although they had a great day, we must admit that we missed them and it was very quiet without them! Luckily, we've still got them with us for another year.

World Book Day

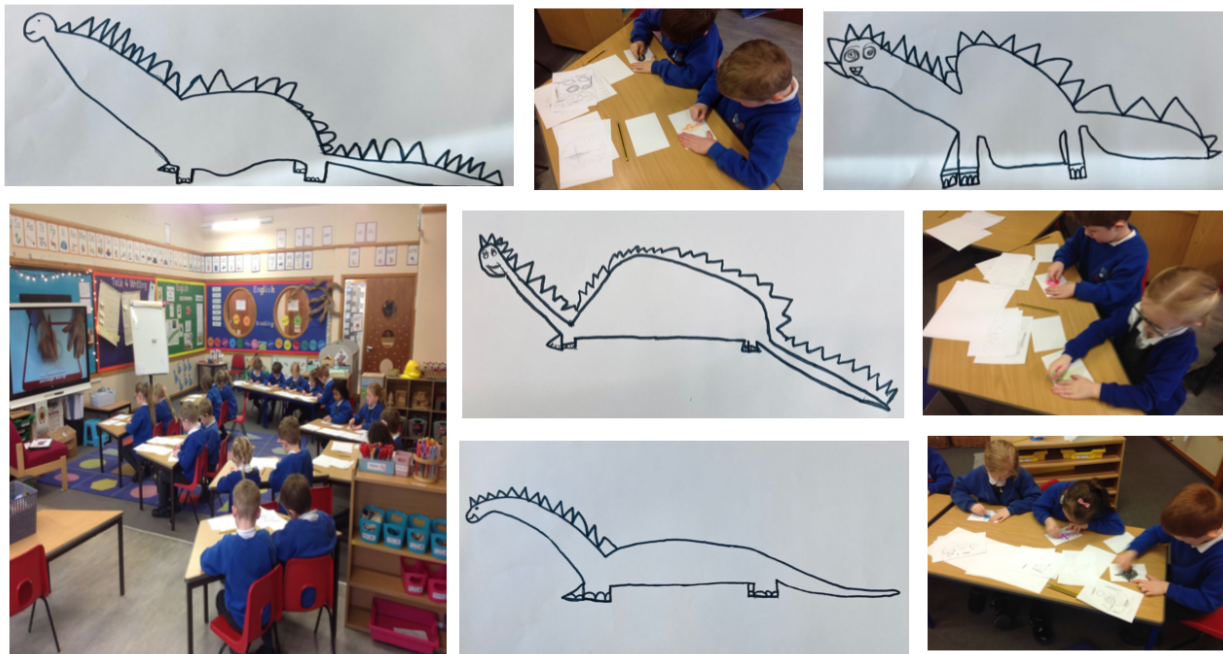
Today, your child would have brought home a letter all about World Book Day, which we will now be holding on **Friday 3rd March**. This year, the theme is 'You Are a Reader'. We are currently busy planning lots of fun activities for the day, based on the poem 'I opened a book' by Julia Donaldson. It would be great if the children could come to school dressed in an outfit based on the title 'I opened a book'. This is open-ended, so they could come to school as their favourite book character or something more creative. Alongside this, we will be running a poetry competition and displaying the winning poems on our 'Poet Tree' in the school library.

OPAL Play

As you will have seen, OPAL has continued to expand this half term with the addition of our new monkey bars. Next half term we hope to introduce music outside with some new outdoor speakers, outdoor table tennis tables and our long awaited scooters! We still need your help though! We are in desperate need of a parent/carer who is (or knows) a tree surgeon, or somebody who has access to a continuous supply of sticks or wood chipping that they can donate to school. If this is you, or you know someone who would be able to support us then please speak to the office or Mr Stagg.

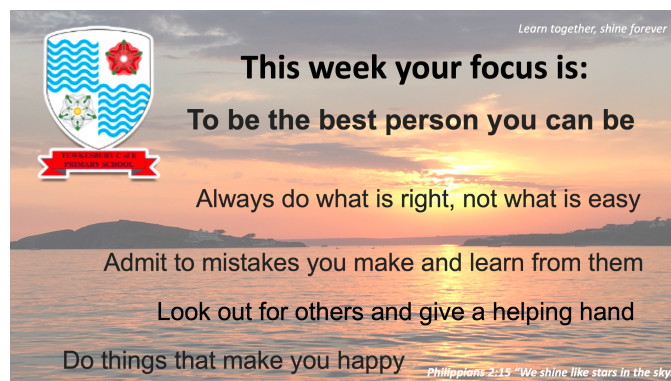
Artwork in Year 1

In Year 1, the children have been learning about the artist George Seurat who is famous for using the Pointillism painting technique. Our aim at the end of the topic is to create our own dinosaur art in the style of George Seurat. This week we have been developing our drawing skills by practising making different lines with different media (zigzag, round, wiggly, up and down etc), and followed the steps on how to draw our own dinosaurs. We will be painting our dinosaurs after half term. What do you think so far? Great aren't they!



Focus of the week

This week, we have thought about all of the different ways that we can show Respect. So our challenge for the children was to show what they have learnt throughout the term, by being the best person they can be. We're really proud of how each of the children have risen to the challenge, to be the best version of themselves.



You are invited

The Welcome Table

A warm place to come together with others in the local community. Stay for a coffee or enjoy a free, freshly cooked meal too. Bring yourself or your whole family!

open straight
after school!

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

hot food
and space
to relax

Bring friends and
meet new ones
in a relaxed
environment where
all are welcome

Where?



Holy Trinity
Church Hall
10 Oldbury Rd
Tewkesbury
GL20 5NA

Free
Parking

When?

No booking
required

Next Dates:

- 20 Feb 2023
- 6 March 2023
- 20 March 2023
- 3 April 2023
- 17 April 2023

What time?

3:15 doors open
3:15 - 4:45 welcome space: tea
and coffee, activities for younger &
older children, homework area
4:45 warm freshly cooked meal
6:30 end

The Welcome
Table

More info: welcometable@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk



FAQs

Who is The Welcome Table run by?

A group of volunteers, supported by holy trinity tewkesbury. If you'd like more information, you can contact us at: welcometable@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk

Can I bring my children/teens?

Children and young people of any age are welcome. There will be staff available to help entertain children, however you are responsible for your own children at all times. Highchairs and free baby food will be available.

Do I need to book?

There's no cost and no booking. You can just turn up on the day (dates overleaf).

Who can come?

The Welcome Table is open to all, regardless of individual circumstances. We aim to create a relaxed environment where everyone can feel at ease.

Can I come for part of it?

Yes! There is no obligation to stay the entire time. If you'd prefer, you can come just for a tea or coffee from 3:15pm (there are children's toys and activities too), or only for the meal at 4:45pm, or you can stay for both.

Will there be options for those who have dietary requirements?

There will be at least one vegetarian/vegan option available. If you have allergies or any other dietary requirements, please get in touch with us by email to see if we can accommodate these, or speak to us on the door. We want everyone to feel welcome, so if you need to know more about our menu please email us: welcometable@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk



The Welcome Table
A warm space
A welcome place



Next Week's Diary

Day	The School Day	After School Activities			Lunch Menu Week 2
Monday	Story and Craft Club (Y1 & 2) 12:45 - 1:15 pm	Football Club (Y4, 5 & 6) 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Table Tennis Club (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) 3:15 - 4:15 pm		Chicken goujons Quorn nuggets
Tuesday		Choir Club (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) 3:15 - 4:00 pm			Margarita pizza with crispy wedges Jacket potato with a choice of filling
Wednesday	Year 5 walk around Tewkesbury (am) and History visitors (pm)	Tag Rugby Club (Y4, 5 & 6) 3.15 - 4.15pm			Braised beef with roasties Qourn mince with roasties
Thursday	Potential Strike Day Puzzle Club (Reception) 12:45 - 1:15 pm	Lego Club (Y1 & 2) 3:15 - 4:00 pm	Drama Club (Y3, 4, 5 & 6) 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Cross Country Fun Run Vineyards 4.00 - 5.00pm	Chicken korma with rice Veggie burger in a bun
Friday	World Book Day 'Come dressed as your favourite book character				Fish cake with chips Veggie ravioli in tomato sauce

Other Key Dates

Thursday 2nd March - Potential Strike Day (more details to follow)

Friday 3rd March - World Book Day - Dress as a character from a book you love

Thursday 9th March - Pre-School Open afternoon 2:45pm start

W/B 13th March - Parents Evening (more details to follow)

Wednesday 15th March - Class photo day (more details to follow)

Friday 17th March - Red Nose Day

Thursday 23rd March - Pre-School Open afternoon 2:45pm start

Friday 24th March - PTFA Quiz Night (more details to follow)

Thursday 30th March - iSingPop concert at Holy Trinity Church 2pm & 6pm (all welcome)

Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April - Easter Holidays