

Friday 18th July 2025



Tewkesbury
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt...

What a Year!



As we reach the end of the school year, it's hard not to look back with a huge sense of pride and joy. It's been a truly remarkable year at Tewkesbury C of E. We've welcomed Ofsted and were delighted to receive a Good in all areas, a reflection of the incredible work happening across our school every single day. We faced the unexpected challenge of a flooded library, but thanks to the support of our amazing staff, families and wider community, we bounced back stronger than ever. Our commitment to outdoor play was recognised with the prestigious Double Platinum OPAL award, a rare achievement that speaks volumes about the joyful, creative and active play our children enjoy every day.

Academically, our SATs results were fantastic, with outcomes (yet again) above the National Average across the board. Our REAL curriculum continues to go from strength to strength, bringing learning to life in ways that are meaningful, exciting and deeply rooted in real experiences. This has been enriched even further by the many brilliant trips, inspiring visitors and unforgettable residential that have helped bring learning to life beyond the classroom.

Our end-of-year celebration assemblies were a joy to behold, with children proudly showcasing some of the wonderful learning experiences they've enjoyed this year, a real reminder of just how far they've come, and how much they've achieved. Most importantly though, our school continues to be a place filled with kindness, care and the daily joy of learning together. After a well-earned rest, we can't wait to do it all again next year! Thank you for being such a vital part of our journey.

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

Med Fest



Last Friday, Year 5 braved the heat to participate in the annual Tewkesbury Medieval festival for schools.

With soaring temperatures forecast, children arrived brilliantly prepared: lightweight, adapted costumes, sun cream slathered on, and water bottles in hand. Not to be outdone, the staff came armed with gazebos, extra water, and a carefully devised plan to seek shade wherever possible. After a warm walk from school, the day began with a face-off between the Yorkists, proudly wearing the white rose, and the Lancastrians, boldly donning the red. Tensions rose. Banners flew. War cries echoed. And then... peace broke out (briefly).

Children's first activity included archery and spear training, where the highlight for many was the moment Mr Stanton and Mr James were dramatically surrounded and conquered by a fearsome mob of spear-wielding Year 5s! Our journey continued with a visit to Queen Margaret's camp where we explored medieval weaponry, armoury, and musical instruments. There was even time for a bit of traditional medieval dancing.

Before lunch, the children proved their mettle in squire training, wielding an axe, sword and mace followed by the lighter side of medieval life: fun and games with the jesters, stilt walking, and other medieval amusements.

Lunch was enjoyed in the welcome shade of our gazebos before a final visit to the King's camp. Here, we met a medieval doctor (complete with questionable remedies), and discovered more about life on campaign, from battlefield surgery to tent arrangements fit for royalty.

It was a fantastic day of learning, and full credit goes to the children who represented the school brilliantly, came well prepared for the conditions, and made the very most of this unique opportunity.

Year 6 wowed at the Abbey Service



On Wednesday afternoon, our Year 6 children took part in the Tewkesbury Schools' Leavers' Service at Tewkesbury Abbey, coming together with other local primary schools for a truly uplifting event. Each school shared a song, and our C of E pupils absolutely shone. Their performance was nothing short of brilliant, all the more impressive that the whole thing was written by Miss Davis and Mrs Tonkin

Musical Talent on Show



What a performance! This week, children who have been learning the piano or violin with Mrs Clarkson wowed us all in assembly with their musical talent. From the very first note, it was clear how much progress they've made and just how much passion and practice has gone into their playing. A huge well done to all involved; you were fantastic and should feel incredibly proud.

Inspired by their brilliant playing, some other children (and even a brave teacher!) had a go themselves, proving that it's never too late to pick up an instrument.

If your child would like to start music lessons next year, the letter (attached the the newsletter email) explains how to sign up for tuition with Mrs Clarkson.

Free holiday club at Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity church is running a free holiday club in collaboration with Tewkesbury Baptist Church on the mornings of 20-22nd August. This will be for children going into Years 1-6 in September. For more information and to book please contact Sarah at: sarah@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk



2024/25 Calendar

Summer Term

21st July - Inset Day

1st September - Inset Day

2nd September - Children return to school

School diary week beginning 1st September 2025

Day	The School Day	After school	Autumn Lunch Menu Week 1
Mon	Inset Day		
Tues	First Day back		BBQ Chicken & Rice Veggie Wrap & Rice
Wed			Homemade Cottage Pie & Yorkshire Pudding Homemade Veggie Cottage Pie & Yorkshire Pudding
Thurs			Homemade Chicken Fajita Bake Topped with Cheese Homemade Quorn Fajita Pasta Bake
Fri			Cod Goujons & Smiley Faces Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings



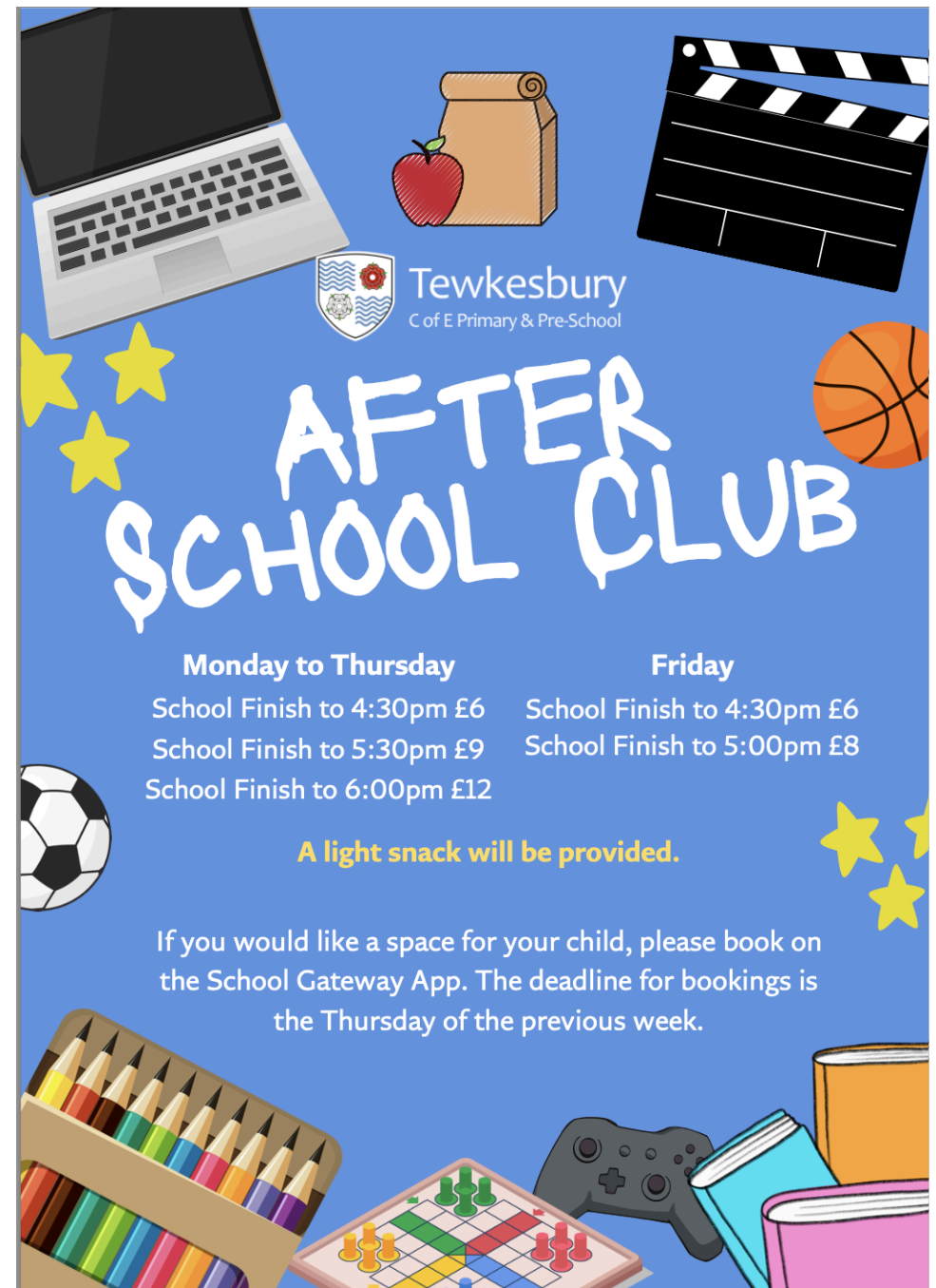
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BREAKFAST CLUB

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.

TRFC TIGERS

CALLING ALL GIRLS & BOYS AGED 5 - 11

**BECOME PART OF THE ACTION AT
TRFC TIGERS! BUILD CONFIDENCE,
LEARN NEW SKILLS,
HAVE FUN AND MAKE
LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS**

- MIXED RUGBY
FROM Y1 TO Y6
- NO EXPERIENCE
NEEDED - EVERYONE
IS WELCOME
- FAMILY FUN DAY
06/09/25 11AM
WITH FREE TRIAL
SESSIONS



tigers@tewkesburyrfc.co.uk

BE FIERCE - BE FEARLESS - BELONG



Parent-child Yoga

Let's have a peaceful time with
Tewkesbury - Family Support
Project (CCP)



Parent & Child Yoga Session

Join us at the **Tewkesbury Community Hub (Jubilee II, York Road, GL20 5HU)** for a relaxing and fun introduction to yoga and meditation, led by Rachel from Tewkesbury Yoga.

Yoga supports harmony of body and mind – it can boost concentration, reduce stress, and improve wellbeing for all ages.

Bring your own mat and come ready to unwind together!

Let's make it a summer to remember!



26/08/2025 (Tue)
15:30 - 16:30
3 families
(Children age
between 6 -10 years)

Free of charge
Scan the QR code to book your space.



If you are interested in the activities,
please scan the QR code

Find Out More!



GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL **NEW PLAYERS WANTED!**

BE A FUTURE
LIONESS
Come and join our
U7 U9 U10 and U11s

League Teams
for the
2025/26 season

For more information please
Email: Juniors@BredonAFC.com





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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!**



MISSBUSSEY'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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Book

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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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HOSPITALS CHARITY

Registered charity no. 1051606

Presenting partners:

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BID

CHELTEMHAM
BID

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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[///swordfish.adopting.orbit](http://swordfish.adopting.orbit)

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

Crash Course Swim Lessons

(please email for more info on the swim lesson timetable)

Suitable for
ages 5–12



More Information



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