

Friday 13th September



Tewkesbury
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt...

With weather swinging from warm to cool, the children's excitement has been the jewel. They've dived into learning with hearts so bright, exploring new topics both day and night. From inside the classroom to the playground's cheer, their joy and curiosity are perfectly clear. It's been a fantastic start, full of delight, by the end of the year they'll be shining bright!

C of E welcomes our lovely new EYFS children



Our EYFS children have amazed us with how smoothly they've transitioned into school life.

The teachers are so impressed by their enthusiasm and how quickly they've embraced new routines. They're absolutely loving the incredible learning spaces, both indoors and outdoors, where they've already begun to explore, play and learn with such joy.

We're excited for the year ahead and can't wait to see them continue to grow and thrive as part of our Tewkesbury C of E family



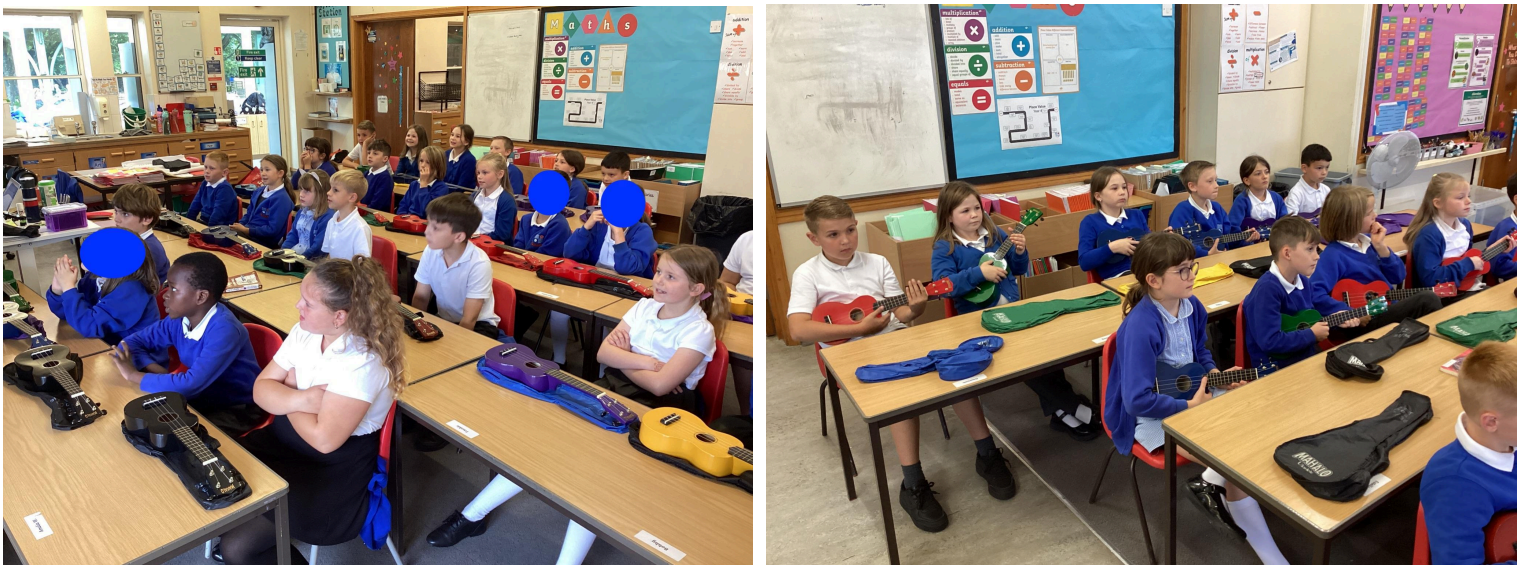
Philippians 2:15 "We shine like stars in the sky."

Year 1 become scientists



Year One has been learning about their senses this week in Science. They took part in a range of experiments to check how good their sense of taste and smell was. They talked about the taste buds on their tongue and tried different foods that were sweet, sour, salty and bitter. They were also blindfolded and had to guess the smell of 12 different containers. They then attempted to identify the different scents and aromas using pictures. The children found it interesting that they all like different smells and tastes!

Year 4 become musicians



Today, and for the next 9 weeks, Year 4 has an exciting challenge ahead of them. Learning to play the Ukulele! This week the children were introduced to the instrument and learned how to hold it correctly and play a few notes. The excitement in the room was palpable and I'm sure that over the next few weeks our musical skills will soar!

Extra curricular club list - Autumn Term

We're pleased to be offering a large range of extracurricular clubs for the children to enjoy this term. To sign up for clubs, please check your school gateway app. **Sign up will open at 7pm on Monday 16th September.** Some clubs do have limited spaces, so be quick to avoid disappointment. Please note that some of the clubs will run on selected dates only. After school clubs will finish at either 4pm or 4:15pm. Finally, please note that **Clubs will begin w/b 23rd September 2024 (unless stated otherwise).**

Extra-curricular clubs list - Autumn

Member(s) of staff	Activity	Year group	Day/ Time	Location	Max Number
Mrs Sweeting + Mr Stagg	Choir	Year 3 - 6	Monday 3.15 – 4.15 pm	Hall	40
Sasha Davis	Art	Year 4 - 6	Monday 3.15 – 4 pm	Art studio	15
Mr Rylatt + Mr Stanton	Football Club	Year 3 - 6	Monday 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Field	30
Mr Gunter	Netball	Year 5 - 6	Tuesday 3.15 – 4 pm	KS2 playground	14
Miss Cheal	Drawing	Year 1 - 3	Tuesday 3:15 – 4 pm	Art Studio	12
Mrs Arnold, Mrs Halsey + Miss Walters	Chill out zone (calm activities: e.g yoga, dough, colouring, crafts)	Year 1 - 2	Wednesday 12.45 - 1.15 pm	Crystal classroom	12
Mrs Buchanan + Mrs Burrows	Tag Rugby	Year 4 - 6	Wednesday 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Field	20
Mr Stagg, Mrs Yeomans, + Mrs Ainsworth	Cross Country	Year 4 - 6	Thursday 26/09/24 - Race 1 3/10/2024 - Race 2 17/10/24 - Race 3 3:15 - 4:30 pm	The Vineyards	50
Mr Williams	Sports Hall Athletics	Year 4 - 6	Every Thursday when Cross Country isn't on 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Hall	30
Mr Shaw	Table Tennis	Year 3 - 6	Thursday 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Hall	16
Mr Rylatt	Lego club	Year 1 - 3	Friday 12:45 - 1:15 pm	After school club	20
External Club - Gloucestershire Cricket	Cricket Paid Club - £3 per child, per session	Year 3 - 6	Friday – Selective dates Sept 20th, 27th, Oct 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Field/Playground ?	24

Extra curricular club list continued...

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Provisional Black and Gold Archers Mrs Kucharski	Archery	Year 5 - 6	Friday – Selective dates Sept 27 th , Oct 4 th , 11 th , & 18 th Nov 8 th , 15 th , 22 nd & 29 th 3:15 - 4:15	Hall	10 <i>*See below</i>
**Additional info for archery needed to be shared with parents on sign up. In order to take part in the club, Black and Gold Archers require your child to be registered through Archery GB. Archery GB is a national organisation who keep records of all clubs in the country. Black and Gold Archers require your child to be registered purely for insurance purposes. Black and Gold Archers will register your child for you but will require the following information to do so. Your Child's Name, Sex, Date of Birth, Address and a telephone number and email. By signing your child up to this club, you are indicating you are happy for the school to provide this information to Black and Gold Archers, in order to register your child with Archery GB. There is a charge of £1 per child, per week for this club.					
French Club	See poster below for more details of how to sign up				
Mrs Yeomans	Board + card games	Year 3 - 6	Friday 12:30-1:00pm 4th November start	Diamond class	15
Mrs Tonkin	Christmas Crafts	Year 3 - 6	Thursday 12.45 - 1.15 pm 4th November start	Pearl Class	10

OPAL Play

It looks like summer is well and truly behind us, with the change in the weather. Please can the children make sure they have a coat and wellies (all named please) for our OPAL play, as they'll be out come rain or shine.

Calling All Musical Makers!



As part of our OPAL play adventures, we're looking at creating a **Musical Wall** (such as the one pictured above) where the children can let their creativity shine! We're looking for all sorts of pots, pans, and other instruments to make some delightful noise. If you have any spare kitchen gear or musical odds and ends, we'd love to give them a new rhythm-filled life!

School diary week beginning 16th September 2024

Day	The School Day	After school	Autumn Lunch Menu Week 3
Mon		Year 6 Meet the teacher - 3:30pm EYFS Phonics workshop - 2:30pm + 5:30pm	Battered Chicken & Diced Potatoes Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
Tues	Year 1 visit to Holy Trinity	Year 5 Meet the teacher at 3:30pm Year 3 Meet the teacher at 4pm	Spaghetti Bolognese Quorn Bolognese
Wed	Flu Nasal Immunisation	Year 1 Meet the teacher at 3:30pm Year 2 Meet the teacher at 4:00pm Year 3 Meet the teacher at 4:30pm	Chicken Fillet with Roasties Cauliflower Cheese with Roasties
Thur			Homemade Chilli Con Carne & Rice Homemade Vegetable Fajitas & Rice
Fri			Fish Cake with Chips Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings



2024/25 Calendar

Autumn Term

16th September – **Year 6** Meet the teacher - 3:30pm
 16th September **EYFS** Phonics workshop - 3:30pm
 17th September – **Year 5** Meet the teacher at 3:30pm
 17th September – **Year 3** Meet the teacher at 4pm
 18th September – **Year 1** Meet the teacher at 3:30pm
 18th September - **Year 2** Meet the teacher at 4pm
 18th September - **Year 3** Meet the teacher at 4:30pm
 18th September - Flu Nasal Immunisation
w/b 23rd September - Extra Curricular clubs to begin
 26th September - African Drumming Workshop
 3rd October - Year 6 trip to Winchcombe Steam
 14th October - Music Share Concert (Year 3)
 16th October - Harvest festival at Holy Trinity (Year 1 - 6) - 2pm
 23rd October - Year 2 trip to Black Country Living Museum
w/b 28th October - Half term
 6th November - Open Morning - New Reception (2025/26) - 10am
 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
 11th December - Christmas Dinner
 13th December - Reception Nativity and Stay and Play - 9:30am

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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18th December - Year 1 - 3 Celebration Assembly - 2pm

19th December - Year 4 - 6 Celebration Assembly - 2pm

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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.

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SR. Whitstable

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