

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

5th June 2024

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt

Although the England football team have been a bit dull and boring over the past few weeks, that's certainly not how we do things at C for E. It's been great to bring back Arts Week, where the children have been inspired by the upcoming Olympic Games. They were tasked with designing outfits for different countries. We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who joined us to take part. These events can only happen with your support. Equally, a big thank you must go to Miss Davis, who, along with her team, organised the entire event. Year 5 awoke their curiosity when they visited the "We The Curious" science museum in Bristol. It was wonderful to see them getting lost in the world of science by engaging with all the interactive exhibitions. A highlight of the trip was definitely the visit to the planetarium. I can't believe there are only two weeks left to go! These next two weeks will be jam-packed, and we look forward to seeing many of you joining us for the various events.

Year 5 visit We The Curious



On Wednesday, Year 5 travelled to Bristol for a long-anticipated visit to the 'We are Curious' centre. Children had an excellent time exploring the centre and extending their learning in science. We enjoyed a 'Fantastic Forces' workshop involving practical experiments proving a range of forces as well as an incredible and immersive 3D Planetarium show where we learnt about our Solar system's planets and moons. Additionally, the children had ample time to explore the centre's numerous interactive scientific exhibits spread across two expansive floors. These exhibits covered a wide range of topics, from animation—featuring the creators of Wallace and Gromit—to thought-provoking questions like 'Do we have a soul?', and explored concepts of time, light, and sound. This visit only scratched the surface of what 'We Are Curious' has to offer, and we all (teachers included) left with our heads buzzing with new ideas and curious questions!

Arts Week



Arts Week has certainly created a buzz around our school this week! The week was carefully planned to immerse our children in the world of fashion design. Launched on Monday, during collective worship, the pupils were given their brief: To design an Olympian outfit for the Paris 2024 Olympics in the style of a fashion designer. Each class then spent the afternoon learning about their selected fashion designer and their identified country.

On Tuesday, Miss Walters, who loves fashion, shared her journey of studying fashion design at university and showed us her amazing designs; she has certainly inspired many of our pupils who are now showing a keen interest in fashion & textiles. The children then spent the afternoon designing their outfits. The children then enjoyed another collective worship where we looked at other careers within fashion & design, particularly set and costume design before they started making their outfits.

This week, not only have our pupils learnt about fashion designers and the country they hail from, but they have learnt other skills, such as: perseverance, resilience and problem solving! We know the children would love to show their Arts Week outfits to you all so next Thursday (11th July), we would like to invite you into the school hall to our Arts Week exhibition.

Headdresses in Year 3



Year 3 have been busy designing and making headdresses in ARTS WEEK inspired by the Guatemalan fashion designer Anita Lara. The children have really brought to life their vibrant designs with a nod to Guatemala. We'd hope that the Guatemalan Olympic team would be proud to wear these headdresses to the Paris 2024 opening ceremony!

Request for lego

Next year, we are hoping to run ELSA support for some of our children in the afternoons. ELSAs are Emotional Literacy Support Assistants, who have had special training from educational psychologists to support the emotional development of children and young people in school. ELSAs have regular professional supervision from educational psychologists to help them in their work. To help our ELSA specialist in school, we are asking whether anyone would be happy to donate lego to the school, to support the children during play therapy sessions.

Play therapy is used mainly with children who may not be able to put how they are feeling into words. It helps them to communicate at their own level using everyday play things. This can help them learn to cope with what they're going through, to develop and to build relationships with others.

School diary week beginning 8th July 2024

Day	The School Day		After school		Summer Lunch Menu Week 1
Mon	PC Pete visiting Year 6				Sausages with Diced Potatoes Veggie Burger with Diced Potatoes
Tues	Sewing Club Year 3 - 6 12:45 - 1:15 pm		Christian Union Year 6 3:15 - 4pm		Chicken & Chickpea Tikka with Rice Quorn & Chickpea Tikka with Rice
Wed	Mindfulness Club Rec - Y2 12:30-1.00pm	Musical Theatre Club Year 3 - 6 12:15-12.45pm			Pork Meatballs in gravy with Mash Potato
	Sports Day and OPAL Stay and Play				Quorn Sausages in gravy with Mash Potato
Thur	Sports Day and OPAL Stay and Play (Reserve date)		Basketball Club Year 3 - 6 3:15 - 4:15 pm		Homemade Chicken & Tomato Pasta Bake Vegetable Fajitas
Fri	Lego Club Y1 - Y2 12:30 - 1 pm	Musical theatre group visiting Day centre 2-3pm	Cricket Club Year 4 - 6 3:15 - 4:15 pm		Star Fish with Chips
	Year 5 trip to the Medieval Festival				Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings

Important Dates

Wednesday 10th July - Sports Day and OPAL stay and play

Thursday 11th July - Sports Day and OPAL stay and play - RESERVE DATE

Friday 12th July - Year 5 trip to the Medieval Festival

Monday 15th July - Year 6 Leavers' Service at Tewkesbury Abbey - 2pm (Parents and Family welcome)

Wednesday 17th July - KS1 Celebration assembly - 2pm (Family and Friends welcome)

Thursday 18th July - KS2 Celebration assembly - 2pm (Family and Friends welcome)

Friday 19th July - Year 6 School Leavers' Service - 2pm (Family and friends welcome)