

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLYNEWSLETTER

12th January 2024

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt

Welcome back, everyone! We hope that you have all had fantastic Christmas holidays, filled with warmth and joy. Winter has certainly bitten this week, but it certainly hasn't cooled our spirits and the children have all returned happy and raring to go. Over the holidays, our school continued to buzz with activity, most notably with the completion of our much-anticipated library renovation. The shelves are now filled with not only books but also the promise of inspiring adventures and endless learning. Here's to a term filled with excitement, new experiences, friendships and the warmth that this wonderful school brings.

New School Library



We owe a huge debt of gratitude to the incredible efforts of Miss Davis, Miss Cheal, Mr Shaw, Mrs Tonkin and the dedicated PTFA. Their hard work and commitment have turned our vision into a reality, creating a space that will inspire all of our children to 'get lost in books.' The new library will provide a haven, where the magic of literature comes to life.

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

Scara Brae - Year 3

Attached is the article that made it into Tewkesbury Direct making the Year 3s famous! Kirstie, who works at John Moore Museum, said 'We have had lovely feedback from the visitors who have seen the display, your pupils should be very proud.'

SKARA BRAE COMES TO TOWN AT THE JOHN MOORE MUSEUM

Year 3 pupils from Tewkesbury C of E Primary enjoyed visiting the John Moore Museum in town to set up their Skara Brae model village display for all of Tewkesbury to enjoy

This project was the culmination of the children's hard work in recreating this ancient settlement using clay, salt dough and various natural resources.

They also created information posters to explain all about this amazing settlement in Orkney, Scotland.

Skara Brae was a thriving village over 5,000 years ago, long before the pyramids in Egypt or Stonehenge was constructed.

It is widely recognised as the best-preserved Neolithic site in Europe,

but was not discovered until the mid 19th century, when a freak storm revealed the houses. Remarkably, some of the dwellings still had furniture.

The general public can now view the children's handy work at the John Moore Museum in Church Street.

Tewkesbury C of E Primary School hope that people enjoy seeing how local children have brought a UNESCO World Heritage Site to life.

The John Moore Museum is nestled in a

row of historic timber-framed buildings close to Tewkesbury Abbey (GL20 5SN)

The museum was established in 1980 in memory of the writer and naturalist, John Moore.

Today it is also home to an extensive Natural History collection featuring specimens of the mammals and birds native to our countryside, woodlands, wetlands and farmland.

For winter opening times call 01684 297174 or visit the website www.johnmooremuseum.org



Bringing history to life: Year 3 pupils from Tewkesbury C of E Primary enjoyed their visit to the John Moore Museum

Year 1



Year 1 have been reading The Three Little Pigs in English. To become more familiar with the story, they acted it out in small groups using props. The wolf was their favourite character! They then did freeze frames to discuss parts of the story and thought about how each character might have been feeling. It was great to see such confidence from the year 1's!

Year 2



This week we had an immersive experience where we completed different activities which were clues to help us find out more about our next History unit. We did bread making, a construction activity and looked at diary entries. We were great detectives and found out we are going to be learning about the Great Fire of London. Well done Year 2!

Extracurricular clubs - Spring Term

The new extracurricular club list for the Spring term will go live at 6pm tonight. Please log into the School gateway app to book your child onto a club. Clubs will begin next week (w/b 15th January 2024).

Member(s) of staff	Activity	Year groups	Day of club	Time	Location
Mrs Arnold	Story club	Rec & Year 1	Monday	12.30 - 1pm	Library
Tewkesbury Schools Team	Christian Union	Year 6	Monday	3:15 - 4pm	Y6 classroom
Matthew Williams	Netball	Year 5 - 6	Monday	3.15 - 4.15pm	KS2 Playground
Mrs Ainsworth	Art Club	Rec, Year 1 - 2	Tuesday	3.15 - 4pm	Amber class
Mrs Sweeting Miss Searls Mr Gavaghan	Choir	Year 3 - 6	Tuesday	3.15 - 4pm	Hall/Music room
Mrs Burrows Mrs Buchanan	Tag rugby	Year 5 - 6	Wednesday	3.15 - 4.15pm	Ruby class
External Coach	Fencing	Fully booked (waiting list available)	Wednesday	3:15 - 4:15 pm	Hall
Mr Stagg, Mrs Yeomans	Cross Country	Letters sent out separately	Thursday	3:15pm - 5pm	The vineyards
Mrs Sweeting Mrs Wiggins	Drama Club	Year 3 - 6	Thursday	3.15 - 4pm	Hall/Music room
External tutor	French Club	Year 1 - 2	Thursday	3.15 - 4pm	Sapphire Class
Mr Stagg	Chess Club	Rec - Y6	Friday	12:15 - 1:pm	Quartz Class
Mr Rylatt	Lego Club	Year 1 - 2	Friday	12:30 - 1:00pm	Afterschool room
Mr Rylatt Mr Stanton	Football club	Year 3 - 6	Friday	3:15 - 4:15 pm	Field
External Coach Miss Davis	Archery	Invite only	Friday	3:15 - 4:15pm	Hall

School diary week beginning 15th January 2024

Day	The School Day		After school		Lunch Menu Week 2
Mon	Story club Rec - Y1 12:30 - 1 pm		Christian Union Year 6 3:15 - 4 pm	Netball Year 5 - 6 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Pork Meatballs & Pasta Jacket Potato with a choice of Fillings
Tues			Art club Rec, Y1, Y2 3:15 - 4 pm	Choir Year 3 - 6 3:15 - 4 pm	Chicken New York Quorn New York
Wed			Fencing Rec - Y6 3:15 - 4:10 pm	Tag rugby Year 5 - 6 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Toad in the Hole with Mash Potato Quorn Sausages with Mash Potato
Thur			Drama Year 3 - 6 3:15 - 4 pm	Cross country Year 4 - 6 3:15 - 5 pm	Tomato & Cheese Pasta Bake Vegetable Fajitas
			French club Year 1 - 2 3:15 - 4 pm		
Fri	Lego club Y1 - Y2 12:30 - 1:00 pm	Chess club Y1 - Y2 12:30 - 1:00 pm	Archery Y5 - Y6 (invite only) 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Football club Y5 - Y6 3:15 - 4:15 pm	Cod with Chips Vegetable Pizza

Important Dates

Tuesday 23rd January - Thursday 25th January - Soul Space (years 1 - 6)

Wednesday 31st January - Year 4 and Year 5 VR Experience

Tuesday 6th February - School Dentist for Reception and Year 1

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February - Half Term

Monday 19th February - New term begins

Friday 23rd February - Young Voices

Monday 4th March - School Inset Day

Wednesday 6th March - Clarinet recital to Year 4 parents (more info to follow soon)

Wednesday 20th March - Easter Celebration at Tewkesbury Abbey - 2pm start (Parents and friends welcome)

Friday 22nd March - Last day of Spring term

Monday 15th April - First day of Summer term

French Club

We're really pleased to be offering a new French club for our Year 1 + 2 children this term. Details are below. Please click on the picture if you're interested in enrolling your child.



☀ Don't miss out on the chance for your child to embark on a journey of language and culture. *Let the French adventure begin!*

Secure your child's spot today!
<https://www.clubenrolment.com/Aurore>

📅 Thursdays from 3:15pm to 4pm

🕒 Limited spots available!

💰 Cost: £8.50/child/ 45mn session
 + £18 For Book & Audio pack

LEARNING A LIFELONG SKILL

Tewkesbury CofE Primary School

Thursdays after school

Small groups - All ages



Songs, games, role-plays, rhymes, stories and lots of FUN!

Each child can have their own Activity Book & access to our Media App, so they can continue learning at home & you can see how well they're progressing



To find out more or secure a place:

Email: bonjourlittlepeople@live.com or call 07964 709399

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Monday

The Wesley Community Centre
 7 Belle Vue Road, Cinderford, GL14 2AA
 16:30 - 18:30

Tuesday

Matson Baptist Church
 Matson Avenue, Matson, Gloucester, GL4 6LA
 16:30 - 18:30

Wednesday

St Oswalds Church
 Coney Hill Road, Coney Hill, Gloucester, GL4 4LX
 16:30 - 18:30

Thursday

Wheatpieces Community Centre
 Columbine Road, Walton Cardiff, Tewkesbury GL20 7SP
 16:30 - 18:30

Places are limited, so get in touch with us today.

Sign up for your family's **FREE** place at
beezeebodies.com/families

*to be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live in Gloucestershire and include one child aged 7 - 12 who is above their ideal healthy weight.



**TEWKESBURY CHURCHES
SCHOOLS TEAM**



JOIN US FOR BIBLE ADVENTURES!



**Games - Quizzes- Stories
and more**

**YR 6
MONDAY'S AT 3:15**

You're invited

The Welcome Table

A space to come together with others in the local community. Come in just for a tea or coffee, or enjoy a freshly cooked meal too. Bring your whole family, your friends, a neighbour, or just yourself! Everyone is welcome, it's free of charge and no booking is required.

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

next dates

- Monday 2 October
- Monday 16 October
- Monday 30 October
- Monday 13 November
- Monday 27 November
- Monday 11 December
- CHRISTMAS BREAK
- Monday 8 January 2024
- Monday 22 January 2024
- ...continues every other Monday

timings

3:15 doors open
3:15 - 4:45 welcome space: tea
and coffee, activities for children
4:45 freshly cooked meal
6:00 end



Holy Trinity
Church Hall
Tewkesbury
GL20 5NA

The Welcome
Table

 Find us on
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More info: welcometable@trinitytewkesbury.org.uk