

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

22nd September 2023

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt...

It's the end of another successful week at C of E and we've managed to survive everything that the weather has thrown at us this week. In all honesty, it hasn't hampered us all that much, as the children have still been able to get outside and get stuck into everything that OPAL has to offer. It was great to welcome many of you to our teacher meetings this week, I hope you found them helpful. Please remember, if you have any questions, worries or concerns, your child's class teacher will be happy to answer them at the end of the school day, as will Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt.



Bouncefest 2023

Bounce Fest

Bounce Fest was a massive success last week and it was so good to see the children all getting involved and bouncing like there was no tomorrow! It was also lovely to see the whole community getting together and enjoying being in each other's company. We hope you had a great time and we can't wait to do it again next summer (let's hope the weather is kind to us next time). We wanted to say a huge thank you to all of the PTFA for working so hard to get the event organised, I know that this is no mean feat. Also a big thank you to all of the C of E staff who stayed to help, as well as all of the stall holders who supported the event. Finally, a big thank you to you all for attending and supporting us with raising money for the school.

Wishing well

Mr Hoare (our site manager) has been very busy this week building a wishing well for our new forest school area. Every project he embarks on always amazes us and we know that this will be another feature that the children will all love! We'd like to say a big thank you to Mr Hoare for creating such a wonderful wishing well!



Extracurricular clubs

Extracurricular clubs will begin next week. These clubs will run both at lunchtime and after school. If your child's club is after school, please collect them by the red gates (the entrance to the front playground). Some clubs will finish at 4pm whilst others at 4.15pm. Please remember to check the time that your child's club finishes.

Harvest Festival

On Thursday 12th October, the children will be going to Holy Trinity Church, to take part in our Harvest Festival, to celebrate the time of year when crops have been gathered and where we can reflect and show gratitude for the food that we have, and share this food with families who are less fortunate than we are. All families are welcome to join us and the church will be open to guests from 1:45pm, with the festival set to begin at 2pm. Children will then make their way back to school at the end of the event, for a normal school pick up!

Safer Streets

Over the past few years, we have been working with the County Council to make sure our streets are safe for all of the children (and yourselves) to come in and out of school. This means that, unless you have a School Streets blue permit or a Blue Badge (for a disabled person) you are not allowed to drive along Rope Walk between 8.15 and 9.00am and 2.45-3.00pm. This is to enable families to walk, scoot or cycle at the beginning and end of the school day, creating a safer and healthier environment for all, but especially for our children.

We are continually looking for volunteers who would be happy to support us with this. Please see below, what the volunteering would entail. It is important to note that if you were happy to volunteer, then you would be able to drop your child off into our breakfast/after school club, free of charge on the day that you have volunteered, as a thank you for your support, this would then free you up to support the scheme.

Volunteering Opportunities

Risk assessed and fully supported with training by



To continue the success of the School Streets scheme we now need a community presence on the street. Can you spare 45 minutes of your time, once a week or perhaps just once a month?

We need you to be involved to:

- Show your support
- Be part of a community initiative to promote safety, health and the well-being of children
- Be a welcoming presence at the end of the street to encourage more walkers, cyclists and scooter riders

How often and for how long?

Just 45 minutes during the peak periods one to four times a month.

Do I have to enforce the restrictions?

Absolutely not! You would simply, put out a road cone/barrier and our 'Parking Buddies' and be there as an advocate for the scheme. Full training and support provided.

For more information:

Contact the school office or Sarah Laming on
sarah.laming@gloucestershire.gov.uk

This week's diary

Day	The School Day		After school		Summer Lunch Menu Week 3
Mon	Year 1 visit to Holy Trinity Church	Lego club (Rec - Y2) 12:30 - 1pm			Hotdog in a roll with chips Quorn Hotdog in a roll with chips
Tues	Chess club (Rec - Y6) 12:30 - 1pm		Choir (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm	Art club (Rec - Y1) 3:15 - 4pm	Chicken Goujons with Rice Veggie Burger in a Bun
Wed	Mindfulness club (Rec - Y2) 12:30 - 1pm		Recorder club (Rec - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm	Tag rugby club (Y5 - Y6) 3:15 - 4.15pm	Homemade Cottage Pie Homemade Quorn Cottage Pie
Thur			Drama club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm	Cross country - Race 1 (Y4 - Y6) 3:15 - 5pm	Homemade Lemon Chicken Pasta Bake Homemade Lemon Quorn Pasta Bake
Fri	Book club (Rec - Y6) 12:30 - 1pm		Football club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4.15pm		Cod Fillet with Chips Vegetable Fajitas

Important Dates

Monday 9th October 2023 - Nasal Flu Immunisation

Tuesday 10th October 2023 - Year 6 visit to Winchcombe Station

Thursday 12th October 2023 - Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity Church (2pm start, all welcome to join)

Monday 30th October 2023 - Friday 3rd November - Half term holidays

Monday 6th November 2023 - Start of the new school term

Wednesday 8th November 2023 - Open morning new Reception Starters in 2024

Wednesday 22nd November 2023 - Open morning new Reception Starters in 2024

Wednesday 6th December 2023 - Open morning new Reception Starters in 2024

Friday 8th December 2023 - Christmas Carol Service at Tewkesbury Abbey (more information to follow, but all welcome to join)



We learn together - shine forever



Tewkesbury C of E Primary School would like to invite you to visit our amazing school, where everyone is encouraged to shine!



Do you have a child due to start school in September 2024? The team at Tewkesbury C of E would be delighted to show you around our fantastic school, so you can see for yourselves why this is the right place for your child to shine.

Dates

Wednesday 8th November at 10am
Wednesday 22nd November at 10am
Wednesday 6th December at 10am

Pre-booking is advisable but not essential. If you would like to make a booking, then please speak to reception who will be more than happy to help. If you are not available for any of the dates listed, please contact the school and we'd be happy to find an alternative date for you.

In the mean time, please check out our website: <https://www.tewkesbury-primary.co.uk>

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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 24 July 2023
- Monday 7 August 2023
- Monday 21 August 2023
- Monday 4 September 2023
- Monday 18 September 2023
- Monday 2 October 2023
- Monday 16 October 2023
- Monday 30 October 2023

timings

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

