Friday 18th September 2026

Tewkesbury C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt…

It's been one of those quietly positive weeks in school, the kind where the children settle into routines, the classrooms feel purposeful, and you can sense everyone getting into the rhythm of the term. We also had our first Full Governing Body meeting, which is always a good moment to look back and look forward. Governors offered their usual mix of support and challenge, helping us celebrate everything that went well last year, including our brilliant KS2 SATs results. We realised we'd never actually shared that success with families, so it feels good to do that now.

But as proud as we are of the results, we're just as proud of the rounded curriculum our children experience every day, the trips, the hands-on learning and the confidence-building moments, and all the things that make school feel so joyful. That balance is what really matters. We also shared our priorities for the new academic year, making sure we're all pulling in the same direction. With that clarity, and the children already showing such enthusiasm - the year feels full of its usual promise.

Reception step Into the Deep Dark Wood…







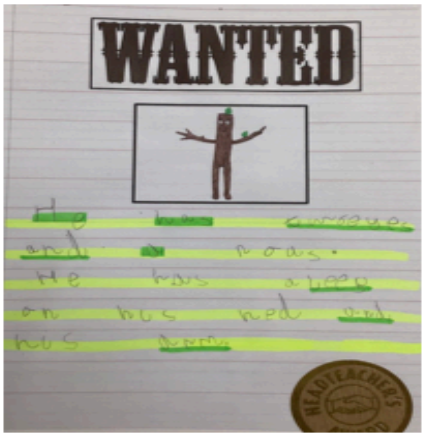
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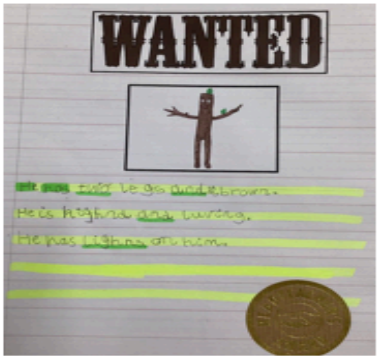
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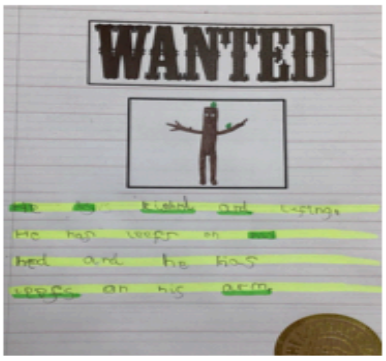
This week, Ruby and Amber class went on a wonderful reading adventure! Miss Cheal and Miss Walters were thrilled to secure tickets to a special virtual production of The Gruffalo, which the children absolutely loved. Following the performance, the children then had an exclusive treat of listening to Julia Donaldson herself read her brand-new story, 'Gruffalo Granny'. The excitement from this experience sparked a whole week of themed learning. Therefore, this week, all of their classroom activities have centered around The Gruffalo and other beloved Julia Donaldson stories. To round off this spectacular week, the children became little chefs and made their very own Gruffalo Crumble! Yummy!

Stick Man Goes Missing- Year 1 Provide Help!











On Thursday, Year 1 learnt that Stick Man had been separated from his Stick Lady Love and stick children three! He was missing! Both Jade and Crystal Class were sad that Stick Man had disappeared so set about creating their very own wanted posters to help find him. They generated some wonderful adjectives to describe him and learnt about using 'and' to write sentences that could add further description. They also worked hard to recreate what Stick Man looks like in the craft area! The rest of the school were alerted to Stick Man's disappearance during our Shine assembly and wanted posters are now all around our school as we await news that he has been found! Fingers crossed we can provide an update in next week's newsletter!

KS2 SATs Results

As mentioned above, please take a look at our KS2 SATs results, as usual, we're so proud of the children:

Attainment	Reading		Writing		Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling		Mathematics		Reading, Writing, Maths Combined	
2026	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS
Tewkesbury C of E	85%	41%	67%	10%	85%	31%	87%	26%	67%	5%
National Average	75%	30%	73%	13%	74%	30%	75%	27%	63%	8%

EXS = Children achieving the Expected standard or better

GDS = Children achieving Greater Depth

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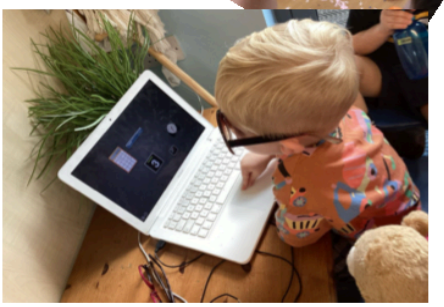
A lovely start for Acorns
















The Acorns have settled into pre-school beautifully. They've quickly grown confident with the routines, formed lovely early friendships and are already showing great independence in their play. It's been a joy to see them exploring the space, joining in with activities and feeling so at home in their new environment.

Bikes and Scooter

Just a quick update to ask that if your child rides home from school on a bike or scooter, please remind them to walk it out of the school gates before setting off at the end of the day. With so many children, parents and carers using the gates at the same time, it can get very busy, and a little extra care helps keep everyone safe.

PE Kits

A reminder that on PE days, children should come to school in their house T-shirt (or a plain white T-shirt) and their school jumper or cardigan. Please note that hoodies or other tops aren't part of our PE uniform, so these shouldn't be worn on PE days.

Noah's Ark Children & Family Centre timetable

We've been sent the updated Noah's Ark Children & Family Centre timetable for September–December. It includes stay & play sessions, baby hubs, workshops and parent drop-ins. You can find the full timetable in the separate email we've sent today.

Reception Open Mornings

If you have a child due to start Reception in September 2027, we'd love you to come along to one of our Open Mornings. It's a great chance to see our school in action, meet the team and get a feel for the warm, rounded REAL curriculum we're so proud of.



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Tewkesbury C of E Primary & Pre-School

2026/27 Calendar

Autumn Term (1)

17th September - Reception Phonics evening - 4:45pm
w/b 21st September - Extra curricular clubs to begin
22nd September - Year 6 Trip to Winchcombe Railway Station (World War II Experience)
22nd September - Year 5 Ancient Greek Day
23rd September - Inset Day
24th September - C of E's 500 words competition launch
25th September - Author (Jack Vines) workshop visit Years 3 & 6
28th September - Year 4 Ancient Egyptian Day
29th September - Flu Nasal Spray immunisation
29th September - Year 3 National Literacy Trust workshop
7th October - Harvest Festival 2pm at Holy Trinity Church
8th October - B. Ware Author Visit Years 4 & 5
9th October - Reception MOP Fayre visit
16th October - Year 5 Sing concert at Tewkesbury Abbey
21st October - Year 2 trip to Black Country Living Museum
22nd October - Year 5 Road to RIAT
23rd October - Inset Day
25-30th October - Half Term

Autumn Term (2)

2nd November - Year 3 Stone Age Day
3rd November - Open Morning (New Reception children)
4th November - Individual School Photos
13th November - Year 2 Victorian Day
13th November - Year 6 GCHQ codebreaking workshop
19th November - Open Morning (New Reception children)
2nd December - Open Morning (New Reception children)
3rd December - Christmas Service at Tewkesbury Abbey 2pm
4th December - Reception Owl Experience
8th December - KS2 Trip to Pantomime at Roses Theatre
9th December - Christmas dinner & Jumper day
15th December - Reception Nativity and Christmas stay and play - 9:30am start
16th December - KS1 Celebration Assembly - 2pm start
17th December - KS2 Celebration Assembly - 2pm start
20th December - 1st January Christmas Holidays

Spring Term

4th January - Inset Day
13th January - Young Voices Concert
25th March - Reception Spring Stay and Play - 9:30am start
26th March - 9th April Easter Holidays
30th April - Inset Day

Summer Term

3rd May - Bank holiday
Week commencing 10th May - Year 6 SATs

31st May - 4th June Half-Term
Week commencing 14th June - Year 6 Residential to Oaker Wood
7th July - Sports Day and OPAL stay and play
14th July - Sports Day and OPAL stay and play (reserve date)
19th July - KS2 Celebration Assembly (Years 3-5) 2pm
20th July - KS1 Celebration Assembly (Years Rec-1) 2pm
21st July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly 1.30pm
22nd July - Summer Holidays begin

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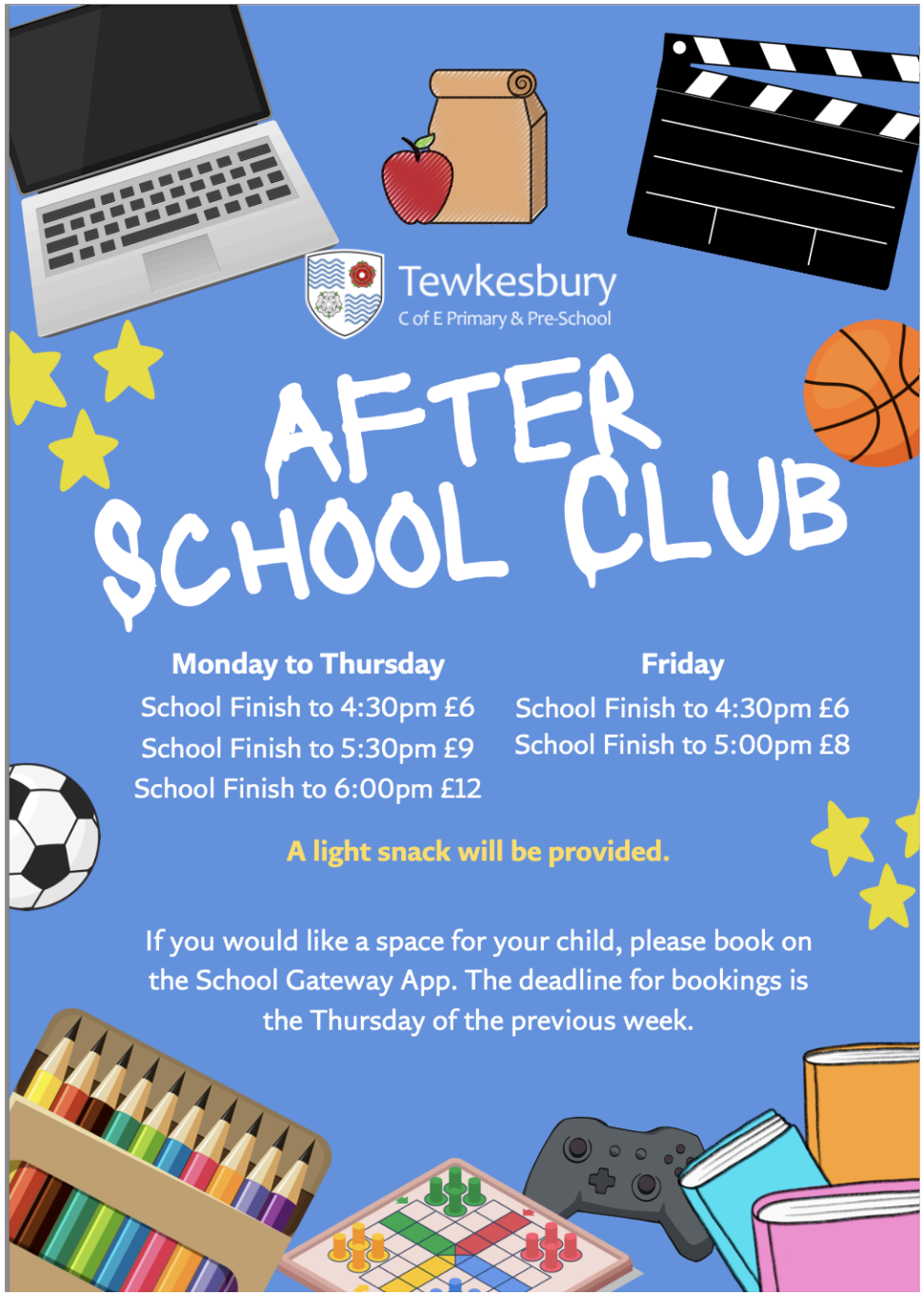
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School diary week beginning 21st September 2026

Day	The School Day	After school	Autumn Lunch Menu Week 1
Mon			Homemade Mac & Cheese Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings
Tues	Year 6 Winchcombe Trip Year 5 Ancient Greek Day	First Lego League Club Selected Children 3:10 - 4:30pm Football Club 3.15 - 4.15pm Choir 3.15 - 4.00pm	Chicken New York & Rice Quorn New York & Rice
Wed	**Inset Day** **Teacher Training**		
Thurs	Tag Rugby Club 12.20-12.50pm	Drama CLub 3.15 - 4.00pm	Chicken Korma & Rice Quorn Korma & Rice
Fri	Author Visit Year 6 & Year 3 Year 5 Singing workshop	Superstar Gymnastics 3.15 - 4.15pm Digital Creative Club 3.15 - 4.15pm Natajacks Craft Club 3.15 - 4.15pm	Fish Fingers & Chips Homemade BBQ Pizza

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Tewkesbury
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BREAKFAST CLUB
Monday to Friday
7:45am - 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
School Finish to 4:30pm £6
School Finish to 5:30pm £9
School Finish to 6:00pm £12
Friday
School Finish to 4:30pm £6
School Finish to 5:00pm £8
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.

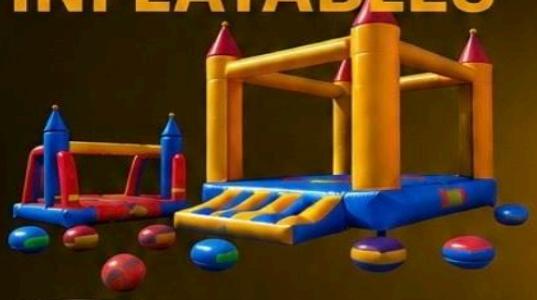
KICK OFF THE SEASON WITH TRFC

and our family fun day on

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER

10:00 - 13:00

INFLATABLES



KIT SHOP

Pre-loved kit and boots for sale



BAR & FOOD

Bar open and food available





GMS/ REGISTRATION DESK

For new and existing players

RUGBY SESSIONS

Come and try rugby for free! All ages, girls and boys, 2 sessions - 11:00 and 12:00



TRFC 2ND XV MATCH DAY

Kick Off 12:30

TEWKESBURY RFC VS 1886 CINDERFORD RFC

TRFC 1ST XV MATCH DAY

Kick Off 15:00

TEWKESBURY RFC VS

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- Have fun



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RYC Minis

When: Mondays (term time)
Time: 4.00 - 4.45pm
Where: The Roses Theatre, Upstairs Bar
Cost: £5 per week (payable termly)
Age: 3–5 years (Pre-school or reception)

A FUN INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVITY FOR AGES 3–5

Looking for a **fun, creative** activity where your child can make **friends**, build **confidence** and feel part of a community?

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February 17th and 19th

EASTER
March 31st
April 2nd, 7th, 9th

MAY HALF TERM
May 26th and 28th

SUMMER HOLIDAYS
July 21st, 23rd, 28th, 30th
August 4th, 6th, 11th, 13th,
18th, 20th, 25th and 27th

OCTOBER HALF TERM
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