

Friday 12th June 2026



Tewkesbury  
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

# Weekly Newsletter

## A message from Mr Rylatt...

It's been another amazing week in school, with so many brilliant things happening across the classes. Year 5 had a fantastic STEM workshop that really stretched their thinking, while Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful day at Nature in Art, getting hands-on with art outdoors & Year 6's had a fascinating talk from Mr Hoskins about his expedition to Antarctica. Our Drama Club also took to the stage with their performance of *Oink*, and they were superb - confident acting, great singing, and some really incredible solos. And tonight, our athletics team are off to the Prince of Wales Stadium for the district championships; where we'll all be cheering them on.

### Drama club perform 'oink'



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



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Our Drama Club put on a fantastic performance of Oink this week, and they were an absolute joy to watch. They gave the children a brilliant dress rehearsal in the afternoon, and then somehow found even more energy for the evening performance for parents and families.

What really stood out was how confidently they acted, how clearly they delivered their lines, and how beautifully they sang. The solos were a real highlight - brave, tuneful and full of character- and the whole cast supported one another so naturally on stage. It was one of those performances where you could see just how much they've grown in confidence throughout the process.

A huge thank you to Mrs Sweeting and Miss Cheal for shaping the production and giving the children the chance to shine. It was a brilliant evening and a real celebration of their hard work.

## **Year 2 visit Nature in Art**



Year two, had a perfect day at Nature in art on Wednesday. Each child was able to have a go at using hot wax to create a beautiful Batik design and also to make a butterfly using wire and resin, We got to question the 'Artist in residence' about his work and how he became an artist and then we were able to explore and sketch some of the incredible sculptures that are set in the beautiful grounds. We finished off by going into the museum to see all of the art exhibits on show there. It was a day full of wonder and things to explore and all of the children made us very proud by their good manners and the enthusiasm they showed for all of the activities.

## **Year 5 STEM Workshop**

On Tuesday, Year 5 participated in an exciting, all-day STEM Workshop hosted by Moog Engineering. Moog is a leading global company known for designing and manufacturing precision motion control components for high-tech aerospace, defence, and industrial markets. They brought this real-world technology into the classroom using Lego robotics.

The children were challenged to build a remotely controlled machine capable of transporting personnel across a factory floor via computer command. Precision was key. For the first challenge, teams calculated exact measurements to steer their vehicle from the 'loading bay' to the 'equipment bay' to secure points. They then progressed to coding a right-hand turn, with several groups successfully navigating a full loop of the factory floor.

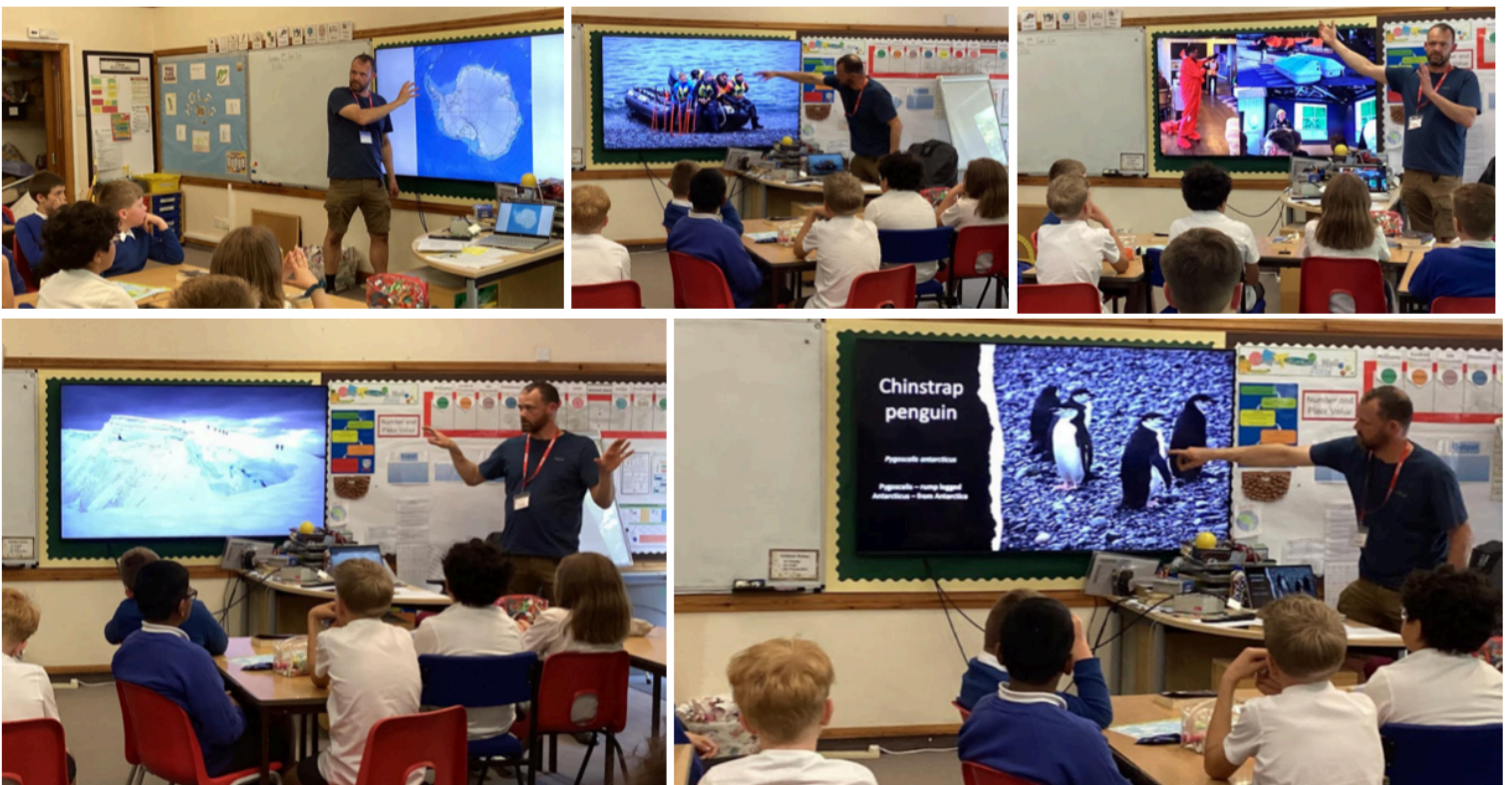
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To enhance safety, the children added sensors to stop the machine if an obstacle appeared. Finally, they tackled quality control by attaching a colour sensor and a motorised arm to identify specific item colours and automatically knock them out of the way! As always, the children represented our school beautifully. They demonstrated exceptional teamwork, communication, and organisation while embodying our core school values. Their engineering skills - including problem-solving, perseverance, and a willingness to try again - were highly impressive.

### **Mr Hoskin's visit to Year 6**





This week, Mr Hoskins visited Year 6 to discuss his recent expedition to Antarctica, as part of our "Around the World in 80 days" topic. We were all fascinated by his journey and listening to his recollections of animals that he had seen as well as the important ongoing scientific work taking place there. We also discussed the topic of global warming and repercussions for environments such as the Antarctic. We'd like to say a big thank you to Mr Hoskins, for his time, it was a really insightful and enjoyable talk.

### Police Visit Pre-School



Pre-School had a real treat this week when the police popped in for a special visit. The children were completely absorbed from the moment the officers arrived. They were able to sit in the police car, take their own fingerprints and enjoy lots of role play about how the police help to keep people safe. It was a brilliant hands-on experience and the children haven't stopped talking about it since.

### Collective Worship



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Last week, Father Nick led our collective worship and shared the story of the road to Emmaus from the Bible. He spoke about how two of Jesus' followers didn't recognise Him as they walked and talked with Him, but how their eyes were opened when He broke bread with them. Father Nick linked this story to communion, explaining that it reminds us Jesus is always with us, even when we don't realise it!

He also showed us a special item used in a service called *Corpus Christi*, which celebrates the presence of Jesus in communion. It was called a monstrance - a beautiful, sun-shaped vessel used to hold the consecrated bread. To help us understand the meaning behind the celebration, some of the children took part in a mini procession around the hall, carrying the monstrance.

### **Arts Week 2026**

This year's Arts Week theme is 'sustainability'. Throughout the week, the children will learn about their class' sustainable fashion designer before designing, and making, their own fashion garments.

They will also learn about the 4Rs of fashion- reduce, reuse, recycle and repurpose and this will, in turn, help them create their items. Therefore, we are looking for any donations that can help us to teach the children to be as sustainable as possible.

Items we are looking for include: newspaper, tote bags, string shopper bags, t-shirts (of adult or children sizes), ribbon and a variety of fabrics (including denim, cotton and linen). If you are having a sort out of clothes, we would be grateful for any donations. Please drop these to the school office.

If you are interested in volunteering for Arts Week, sign-up forms have been sent out. The deadline for the return of these is Monday 22nd June. We would love to welcome you into our classrooms!

### **Families in Partnership – June 2026**

The June edition of the *Families in Partnership Newsletter* is now available. This month's update brings together the latest news, developments and support available for families of children and young people with SEND across the county. It includes updates from local services, upcoming events and opportunities to get involved.

You can read the full June newsletter here: "[Welcome to the edition](#)"





## 2025/26 Calendar

### Summer Term 2

w/b 15th June - Year 6 Residential to Oaker Wood  
16th June - Topaz class to visit Tewkesbury library  
17th June - Year 1 trip to Weston Supermare  
23rd June - Year 6 it's your move workshop  
24th June - Meet your new teacher morning  
24th & 25th June - Tewkesbury Academy Move up day  
w/b 29th June - Arts Week  
1st July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play  
8th July - Sports Day + OPAL Stay and Play Reserve Date  
9th July - Tewkesbury School's Rounders competition  
10th July - Medieval Festival  
13th July - Art Week Fashion show  
15th July - Rec - Year 2 Celebration Assembly - 2pm  
15th July - Tewkesbury School Y6 Leavers Service at Tewkesbury Abbey (info to follow)  
16th July - Year 3 - 5 Celebration Assembly - 2pm  
17th July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 1:45pm  
**17th July - Last day of Summer Term**  
**20th July - Inset Day**



School diary week beginning 15th June 2026

| Day   | The School Day                                                                                       | After school                                                                                                                         | Summer Lunch Menu<br>Week 3                                                                                       |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon   | Y6 Oaker Wood Residential                                                                            | <b>Athletics Club</b><br>3.10 - 4.15pm<br><br><b>Table Tennis Club</b><br>3.10 - 4.15pm<br><br><b>Basketball Club</b><br>3.10-4.15pm | Tomato & Cheese Pasta Bake<br><br>Broccoli & Cheese Pasta Bake                                                    |
| Tues  | New Reception Sept 2026 Settling in Session<br><br>Outdoor learning session<br>For selected children | <b>Cricket Club</b><br>3.10-4.15pm                                                                                                   | Sweet & Sour Pork with Rice<br><br>Quorn Sweet & Sour with Rice                                                   |
| Wed   | Year 1 Trip to Weston<br><br><b>Morning Run Club</b><br>8.00-8.30am                                  |                                                                                                                                      | Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding<br><br>Roasted Quorn Fillet, Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding |
| Thurs | <b>Bead Craft Club</b><br>12.45-1.15pm                                                               | <b>French Club</b><br>3.10-4.00pm                                                                                                    | BBQ Chicken Baguette<br><br>BBQ Quorn Baguette                                                                    |
| Fri   |                                                                                                      | <b>Art Club Rec/Yr1</b><br>3.10 - 4.15pm<br><br><b>Rounders Club</b><br>3.10-4.15pm                                                  | Fish Goujons & Smiley Faces<br><br>Homemade Vegetable Pizza                                                       |



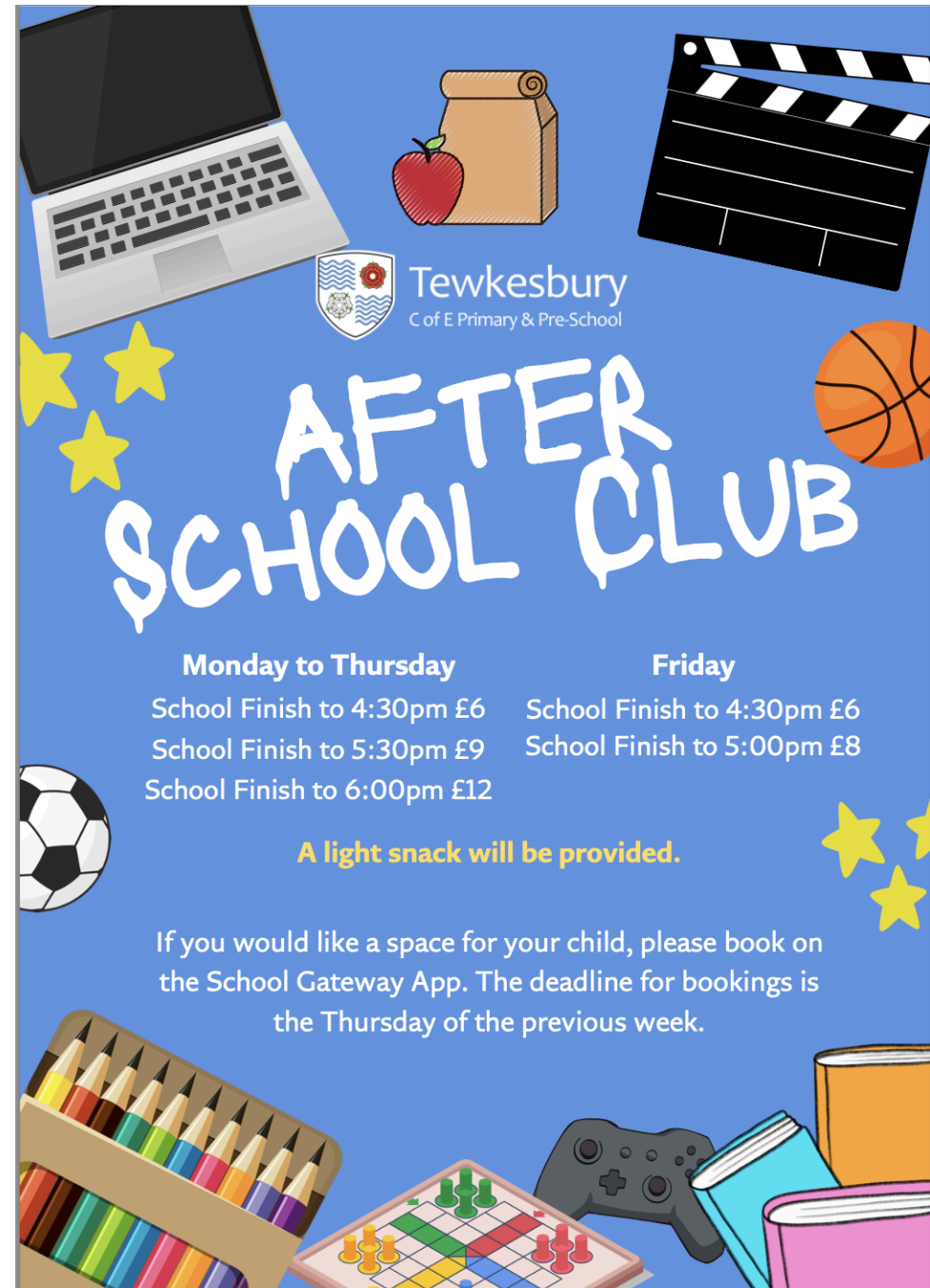
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# BREAKFAST CLUB

**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

| <b>Monday to Thursday</b>   | <b>Friday</b>              |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| School Finish to 4:30pm £6  | School Finish to 4:30pm £6 |
| School Finish to 5:30pm £9  | School Finish to 5:00pm £8 |
| School Finish to 6:00pm £12 |                            |

**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.



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# FLOWER FIELD POTRAITS



[www.petrinamichelle.com](http://www.petrinamichelle.com)

*Picking moments that last forever*

**Sunday, 28 June**

**By Appointment 10:00-19:30**

**Contact Petrina: 07946 832304**

*Confetti flower fields. Pershore*

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**CIRQUE DU DANCE**  
CIRCUS AND DANCE  
HOLIDAY CAMPS  
5-12year olds

# POP PARTY DAY CAMP

**MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

**CLEEVE SPORTS CENTRE, CHELTENHAM**

**A DAY OF POP FUN!**

**WHAT YOU'LL DO:**

- LEARN COOL DANCE ROUTINES
- AERIAL HOOP AND SILKS
- HULA HOOPING
- ARTS AND CRAFTS
- POP DANCE & GAMES

**9am-4pm**  
Lunch, drinks and snacks included

**FULL DAY £65 OR HALF DAY £35**  
9AM - 12NOON

**LIMITED SPACES - BOOK NOW!**

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**THIS IS**  
**TEWKESBURY**

## **WHAT IS THERE TO DO IN TEWKESBURY?**

★ **Come and find out on** ★  
**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

**FREE ENTRY**

**Join us for a vibrant day  
celebrating everything your  
local community has to offer.**

**Discover a wide range of groups and  
activities through interactive stalls, live  
demonstrations, and exciting performances ,  
with plenty of opportunities to  
get involved and join in.**

★ **Refreshments available**



**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June**



**11am - 4pm**



**Tewkesbury Abbey  
and Grounds**



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## **Programme Front Cover Competition**

**Ages 4-11**

**Design the front cover for this year's  
This is Tewkesbury event programme.**

**Email your design to [thisistewkesbury@gmail.com](mailto:thisistewkesbury@gmail.com)  
with the subject 'Programme Front Cover Competition' and the  
designer's full name and age by 15<sup>th</sup> May.  
Designs should be portrait A4.**

**This is Tewkesbury is a new annual event celebrating  
everything our local community has to offer,  
such as singing, dancing, art and sports.  
So, show us what makes Tewkesbury special.**

**The winning design will feature on the front cover of this year's  
event programme on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026 at the Abbey and  
its grounds, and the winner will receive an arty prize.**



**ACTING UP!**

# SUMMER DRAMA ACADEMY

28th - 30th July, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Tewkesbury Baptist Church

Acting! Singing! Dancing! Games!

Musical Theatre! Arts & Crafts!

**Showcase performance  
on the final afternoon!**

**Suitable for children and young people aged 6 - 18 years!**

**£10 off all bookings taken before May 1st 2026.**

**For more information, or to reserve your place, please**

**contact [emily@actinguptheatre.co.uk](mailto:emily@actinguptheatre.co.uk)**

**[www.actinguptheatre.co.uk](http://www.actinguptheatre.co.uk)**





**FREE  
TASTER  
sessions  
AVAILABLE!**

# KIDS SWIMMING LESSONS

Making a splash with every lesson! Dive into fun and learning at our children's swimming classes! Join us today and turn every swim into a stroke of brilliance!

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