

Tewkesbury C of E Primary and Pre School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

29th September 2023

A message from Mrs Farren and Mr Rylatt...

The R.E.A.L Curriculum got well and truly underway this week, with the children taking part in lots of fun and inspiring activities. There was such a positive buzz as we walked around the school and it was a joy to see the children so immersed in their learning. Extracurricular clubs also kick started this week, where the children got more opportunities to experience new and exciting things, such as sports, music and drama (all things that we truly value at C of E). We also saw year 4, 5 and 6 children take part in the first cross country race of the year and it was so impressive to see their determination as they battled to get around the challenging course. Every child who took part in the race should be really proud of themselves and we're proud of them too!

R.E.A.L Curriculum sessions



This week, Year 6 have enjoyed cooking a range of wartime dishes from the 1940s as part of their R.E.A.L Curriculum lessons. They began the week by 'Digging for Victory' in the school allotments and, as you can see, they had some success! Throughout the week, they learnt new skills as they made scones with mock cream, steak and potato pie and apple fruit cake with rationed quantities of ingredients. The delicious smells certainly reached all corners of the school and made many mouths water!

A big thank you to the parents who kindly volunteered to come and help us with our cookery sessions!

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

Baby News

We are really excited to share two pieces of baby news with you all. Firstly, Miss Withers shared the wonderful news that she had a beautiful baby boy, named Ozzie. We were all so thrilled to hear the news and I know you will all join me in sending your best wishes to Miss Withers and her family... just look how cute he is. I bet they will be spending these wet and windy days having lots of lovely cuddles!!



But that's not all, we have more exciting news to share with you all because Mrs Lamendola is expecting her first child, due around Easter time next year. Once again, I know you will all join me in sending your best wishes to Mrs Lamendola for her very exciting news.

A special Visitor to Year 2



Year 2 has been learning all about the Victorians and were delighted to welcome a special visitor, Florence Nightingale. We learnt about what Florence Nightingale did and what life was like for her. We found out some interesting facts - ask us what we know!

Lunch menu change on Thursday 5th October - Census day!

Thursday 5th October is school census day, which is used to determine the school budget for next year. So, the more children that eat a school lunch on this day, the more income the school will receive to spend on educational resources. Therefore, we have changed the menu in the hope that lots of the children will decide to eat a school lunch. The options for Thursday will be; sausage and chips, cheese pizza and chips or Jacket potato with a choice of fillings and for pudding, the children will get a chocolate shortbread... yummy!

Harvest Festival - Thursday 12th October

To support us with the Harvest Festival on Thursday 12th October, we are asking families to donate some food or drink items, such as canned goods, pasta, sauces, soups and other long dated foods, so we can donate them to the Tewkesbury Food Bank on behalf of Tewkesbury C of E. Please can any donations be brought into school on either Monday 9th October or Tuesday 10th October. Your kindness will be much appreciated!

Year 1 visit Holy Trinity



As part of their RE topic on Belonging, Year 1 went to visit Holy Trinity on Monday to take part in a mock baptism. They learnt that Christian parents might choose to welcome their baby into the Christian faith by having their baby baptised. Lucy Betts, Holy Trinity's Family Coordinator showed the children how the parents introduce their baby, choose Godparents, and how the baby is baptised in the font.

The children then sang an i-sing pop song to finish.



This week's focus



Learn together, shine forever

This week your focus is:

To be respectful to one another

Talk nicely to each other

Have a positive impact on someone's day

Listen to one another

Treat others how you want to be treated

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

This week, we have been focusing on showing respect to one another and it was great to see so many children celebrated in the Shine assembly on Friday for showcasing our focus in and around school.

This week's diary

Day	The School Day		After school		Summer Lunch Menu Week 1
Mon		Lego club (Rec - Y2) 12:30 - 1pm			Hotdog with chips Quorn hotdog 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	National poetry day		Drama club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4pm	Cross country - Race 2 (Y4 - Y6) 3:15 - 5pm	Homemade lemon chicken pasta bake Homemade lemon quorn pasta bake
Fri	Fencing taster day (Y1 - Y6) Book club (Rec - Y6) 12:30 - 1pm		Football club (Y3 - Y6) 3:15 - 4.15pm		Cod fillet with chips Vegetable fajitas with chips

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

