

Friday 11th July 2025



Tewkesbury
C of E Primary & Pre-School

'Learn Together, Shine Forever'

Weekly Newsletter

A message from Mr Rylatt...

It's been a scorcher of a week in more ways than one! From fiery flavours in our French food tasting to a surprise baby shower and a whole-school outdoor adventure, there's been no shortage of excitement. Year 3 even got hands-on with some chocolate making, inspired by their learning about the Mayans and the rainforest. We also welcomed back the brilliant children's author B Ware and our Year 5s headed off to the Medieval Festival to round off the week in style. Who says the summer term winds down?

Fieldwork Friday



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

Last Friday, the children took part in our whole-school 'Fieldwork Friday', a brilliant morning of hands-on geographical exploration. Each class ventured out to complete practical geography-based activities, both in and around Tewkesbury. From orienteering challenges and stick journeys to detailed mapping tasks and litter surveys, the pupils threw themselves into investigating their environment. It was a fun-filled morning of observation, data collection and discovery, bringing geography to life in the great outdoors!

B Ware author visit

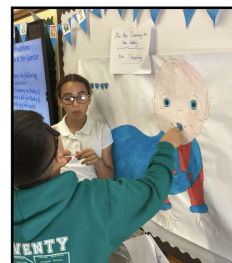
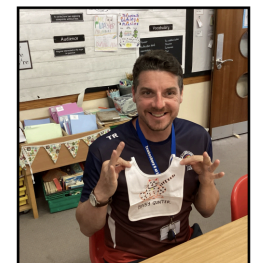


On Monday, popular children's author, B Ware, returned to C of E to tell us all about her new book, 'May Contain Dragons'. After enthraling the whole school during assembly with an excerpt from her book, she delivered workshop sessions to Years 2 and 3 which were greatly enjoyed.



A soft toy dragon was awarded to Tiffany in Year 2 for the most engaging story created in the workshops and, judging by the queue to buy signed copies of the new book at the end of the day, many of our children have their holiday reading sorted! We're very grateful to B Ware for coming back to see us again and look forward to reading her new book.

Surprise Baby Shower



After months of planning by Mollie, Eadie and Amelia S in Year 6 (with assistance from Mrs Tonkin), Year 6 threw a surprise baby shower for Miss Davis and Mr Gunter on Tuesday afternoon. Activities included Pin the Dummy on the Baby, the Nappy Change Challenge and baby bib decorating. Lots of fun was had by all, especially after the sweets exploded out of the bottle-shaped piñata. Alex and Eadie were our nappy-changing champions and Maria and Miria were our dummy-pinning divas. We're all very excited awaiting the arrival of Baby Gunter and wished them well with a gigantic pile of decorated bibs and an enormous list of name suggestions (don't worry, Mrs Tonkin vetoed Baby McBabyface!).

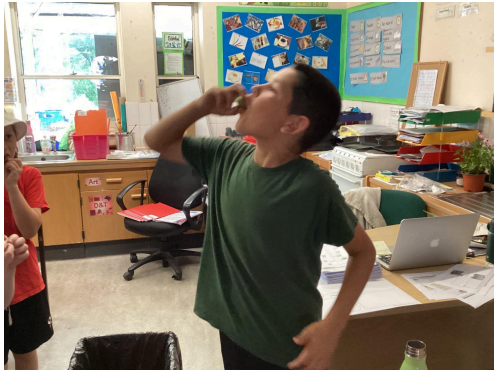
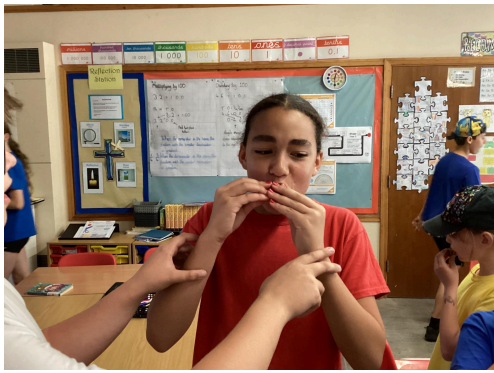
Rainforest Treats with a Mayan Twist!

After discovering that the ancient Mayans were the original inventors of chocolate, using cocoa beans from the rainforest, Year 3 have been inspired to get creative! Combining history, design and a sprinkle of imagination, they've been busy designing and making their very own chocolate bars. But there's a twist... these aren't just any chocolate bars, they're rainforest-friendly too!

From eco-conscious packaging to ingredients that support sustainable farming, the children have shown thoughtful design and brilliant creativity throughout. A deliciously educational journey from bean to bar!



A Taste of France: Snail Edition



KS2 pupils were once again offered the chance to try some snails 🐌. It was a mixed bag of reactions - love, hate and indifferent. Some thought they had eaten the snail and that it was quite tasty, before being told that it was only the parsley and garlic sauce they had tried! The children responded that they tasted like 'meat' and that they were quite chewy!

Collective Worship



This week, Simon from Holy Trinity visited us to lead collective worship and he brought a big tent with him! We were all curious about why he had it, but he kept us wondering until later. Simon shared the story of Gideon from the Bible. Gideon was chosen by God to lead an army against the enemy, but God didn't want him to rely on strength in numbers. Instead, God reduced the army in stages, choosing only those He needed. To help us understand this, Simon asked *everyone* to stand up. Then, just like in the story, he asked different year groups to sit down, until only Year 3 were left standing! The tent, we discovered, represented the enemy camp. Just like Gideon's small army, Year 3 quietly crept forward and surrounded the tent, ready to follow God's instructions. At the end, Simon amazed us all by how quickly he packed the whole tent away! Through this worship, we were reminded that God can do great things through even the smallest group, as long as we trust in Him.



2024/25 Calendar

Summer Term

21st July - Inset Day

1st September - Inset Day

2nd September - Children return to school

School diary week beginning 14th July 2025

Day	The School Day	After school	Summer Lunch Menu Week 2
Mon	Music Assembly led by Rachel Clarkson New Receptions Stay and Play	Rounders Match Children v Staff 3.15pm - 4:15pm	Battered Chicken with Diced Potatoes Fishfinger 'hotdog' with Diced Potatoes
Tues			Chilli & Rice Vegetable Chilli & Rice
Wed	Year 6 Abbey Leavers' Service 1:30pm start Reception, Y1 & Y2 Celebration Assembly 2:00pm start	Science Club Year 3 - 6 3.15 - 4.15pm	Chicken & Vegetable Pie topped with saute potatoes Vegetable Pie topped with saute potatoes
Thur	Y3, Y4, & Y5 Celebration Assembly 2:00pm start		Homemade Sausage Bolognese & Garlic Bread Homemade Vegetarian Bolognese & Garlic Bread
Fri	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 1:30pm start Last day of term		Star Fish with chips Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings



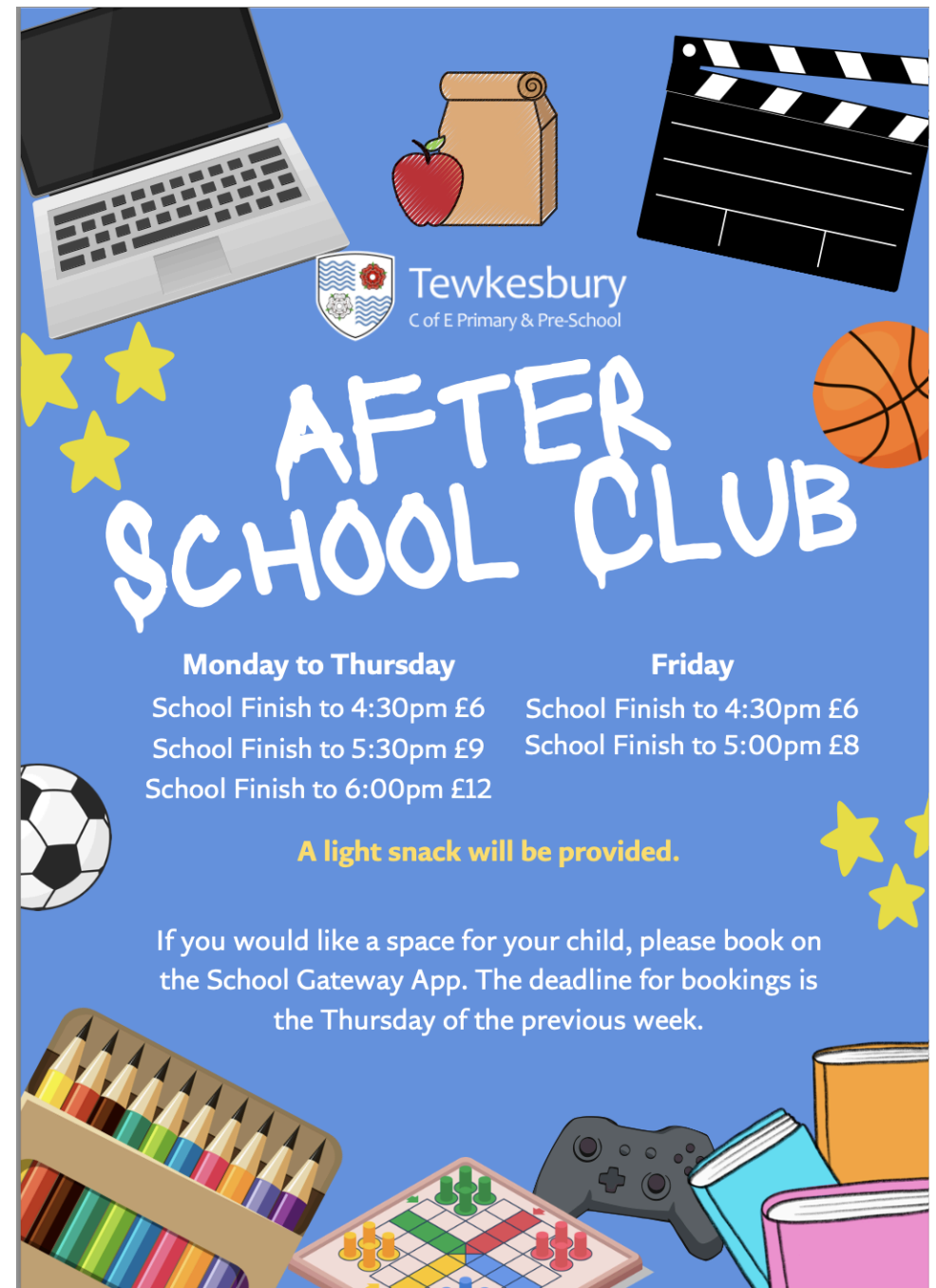
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BREAKFAST CLUB

Monday to Friday
8:00am - 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	Friday
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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**League Teams
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THE HOLIDAY CLUB WITH
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FOR AGES 5 - 12

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8/9AM - 3.30 PM

£40 PER DAY, PER CHILD

8/9AM - 5.30PM

£55 PER DAY, PER CHILD

TUESDAY,

5TH AUGUST

12TH AUGUST

19TH AUGUST

WEDNESDAY,

6TH AUGUST

13TH AUGUST

20TH AUGUST

THURSDAY,

7TH AUGUST

14TH AUGUST

21ST AUGUST

AT SANDHURST COMMUNITY HALL

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A Wild in Art event



Find the Pride of Gloucestershire this Summer with our roarsome Art Trail!

Find over 30 large lion sculptures in Cheltenham and Gloucester from 11 July to 14 September 2025.

Visit our website:

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES

**Old Baptist
Chapel**

**10am - 12pm
(£1 per child)**

**Drop-in
(Pre-booking advisable)**



SPINNING TOY
23rd & 25th July



BUG HUNT & BUG HOTELS
30th & 31st July
10am & 11am -
(meeting at the John Moore Museum)



HOT AIR BALLOONS
6th & 7th August



MUSHROOM FAIRY HOUSE
13th & 14th August



PAPER OCTOPUS
20th & 21st August



DINOSAUR HATS
27th & 28th August



**To book call 01684 297174 or email
admin@johnmooremuseum.org**



PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S PLAY RANGERS

**The Vineyards, Tewkesbury
GL20 5PG**

10am - 4pm

**Mon 28th July, Fri 22nd August
& Thurs 28th August 2025**


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With thanks to Tewkesbury Town Council for funding these sessions



Our Play Ranger activities take place outdoors in all weathers and are open access. This means there is no registration, children are free to come & go as they please.

Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by an adult.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional support to enjoy Play Rangers.
We welcome disabled children & their families.

Play Gloucestershire

Transforming lives through the power of play
www.playgloucestershire.org.uk



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Things you need to know about Play Gloucestershire

Play Gloucestershire - a registered charity - is the leading provider of free, outdoor, active play in the county. Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by a parent or carer. We love it when the whole household joins us at our sessions.

Our Play Ranger activities are open access. This means there is no registration – children can leave the site at any time. Our Play Rangers will not stop them and may not know that they have left.

We encourage children to take responsibilities for their own actions. We think this is good for them. They will be encouraged to resolve disagreements amongst themselves. We will intervene if absolutely necessary.

Play Gloucestershire believe that children need and want to take risks when they play. Our Play Rangers aim to respond to these needs by offering children stimulating, challenging environments for exploring and developing their abilities. In doing this, we aim to manage the level of risk so that children are not exposed to unacceptable risks. Our experience tells us that whilst children play outdoors they are likely to have accidents. If this causes concern please come along and speak to us about it.

All our activities are outdoors and include den building, fires, arts and crafts, sports and a range of playful games. We encourage children to play freely and choose what they do. They do not have to do anything if they don't want to. Children will get wet, hot, cold, smelly and dirty and need to wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Better to wear old play clothes than ruin your best!

Our Play Rangers will provide drinking water at all sessions. We promote healthy eating and sometimes will provide free fruit.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional mobility or other support to enjoy Play Rangers.

For further information:

Visit us at www.playgloucestershire.org.uk

Email info@playgloucestershire.org.uk

Phone 01452 505548

Play Gloucestershire is a registered charity (1126562)



Tewkesbury Academy Sports Centre



Summer Holiday Courses

Running throughout the Summer
Monday - Friday 9-4pm:

Prices from
£24 per day

Multi Activity
Pottery Club
Football Camp
Arts and Crafts

Suitable for
ages 5-12

Crash Course Swim Lessons

(please email for more info on the swim lesson timetable)



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