

Tenterfields Primary Academy

Learning together, growing together



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Dear Parents and Carers

What another couple of wonderful weeks we have had at Tenterfields with so much going on since the last newsletter! I can't quite believe what the children have achieved so far this half term.

In December, a group of Year 1 and Year 2 children from Tenterfields qualified to represent Dudley at the Black Country School Games which took place today at The Institute of Sport, University of Wolverhampton this week. This involved the children competing in a selection of team multi skill games. We are delighted to announce that Tenterfields came in the Bronze Medal Position of 3rd. We are so proud of all of the children who took part.

Our Year 4 and 5 pupils went to the Midlands Arts Centre at Cannon Hill Park to attend the Artsmark Celebration event. The event celebrated the films that our very talented pupils created and animated during the Artsmark project. We are proud to share that Tenterfields were presented with 'The Best Animation' award. Here are our children receiving the award and here is the link to the film they made. Have a watch as it is really amazing!



Year 5 had an exciting day last Friday when Dr Andy Cope is coming in to work with them on a project where we are aiming for 'Outstandingly Happy School Status'. Dr Andy Cope is also known as the 'Happiness Doctor' and is a well known children's author. His website, Andy Cope - Art of Brilliance describes Andy as...

a sought-after keynote speaker and authority on employee engagement, wellbeing and human flourishing. He's done numerous TV and radio appearances as well as being featured in The Telegraph, Daily Mail and Esquire. Andy is also a best-selling children's author. His 'Spy Dog' series has sold in excess of a million copies worldwide.

Year 5 will continue the project into Year 6 in the Autumn Term. We will keep you posted...

Sports Day was back this year and we had a ball! A huge thank you to all our parents, friends and family that came to see us and celebrate the children and their achievements. It was so great to have everyone back together again with the children at the heart of the event!



Congratulations also to the children that represented us in the County Sports Day at Halesowen Athletics Club. They were fabulous role models and represented Tenterfields superbly. Well done!

We also had a fabulous day when we hosted our 'Dads and Doughnuts Day', it was a great day enjoyed by all and definitely in the calendar for next year! Thank you to all our Dads, Uncles, Grandads and special people that came and joined us.



There is always lots to think about at this time of the year as we start to plan for September and I have included detailed information about how we have planned transition for your children into their new class next year.

There are reading sessions, waves and a virtual transition meeting for parents to meet your child's new teacher. Children will also move to their new teacher for the last three days of term after a party day on Friday 15th July with their current teacher! They will be learning all about the Commonwealth Games during these three days. Children will return to their current teacher for the last hour on Thursday so they can say another goodbye.

By moving to their new class and working with their new teacher, for three days, takes away any worries or questions that the children may have over the summer holiday. They return knowing where to go and having already built a relationship with their new teacher. The transition arrangements follow in this newsletter and if you have any questions then please don't hesitate to ask.

It is also at this time of the year that we sometimes say goodbye to current staff and welcome in new staff. I would like to congratulate Mr Wade on his new Deputy Headship in a large primary school in Dudley which is his next step in his journey towards Headship. We will be incredibly sad to see him go and I know that he has been at the heart of Tenterfields for many years and taught many of your children.

We know that these are very big shoes to fill and we want to be absolutely sure that we appoint a really strong and committed Deputy Head at Tenterfields. Going forwards, we will advertise the Deputy Head post this Autumn Term.

In the interim, I am very pleased to share with you that Mr Dowling, an experienced Deputy Head Teacher, who currently works at Colley Lane Primary Academy part of Windsor Academy Trust, will be joining us at Tenterfields. Mr Dowling is an excellent teacher and Deputy Head Teacher and I know that you will welcome him when you see him on the playground. He will be visiting Tenterfields before the end of term so meet all the children and parents.

We also say goodbye and a great big thank you to Mrs Poole who has an exciting new job close to her home in Telford. Mrs Poole has moved mountains to get sport and PE back up and running after Covid and we thank her for all her hard work. We would like to welcome our new PE teacher, Mr Griffiths, an experienced PE teacher, who introduces himself below.

Our thoughts also turn to our Year 6 pupils who are busy putting together their Leavers Play and we look forward to this and their Leaver's Award Ceremony and also to our EYFS Graduation ceremony.

So lots to think about, lots to plan for and lots to celebrate! A busy and exciting time at Tenterfields! Have a wonderful weekend!

Staffing

Goodbye and Good luck to Mr Wade

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to you all: parents, staff, children and the wider community for your support and commitment to Tenterfields since I have worked here. It was a very difficult decision to begin thinking about the next steps in my career, as Tenterfields means so much to me, from attending here as a child, all the way through to being in my fourth year as a Deputy Headteacher here.



There has been so much that has happened, both expected and unexpected at Tenterfields, that it is hard to believe that it is nearly 11 years ago when I took my first class on a trip to Cosford Museum on my first day, January 2011. I have been proud to be part of the Tenterfields journey and see how the community works together with the school to make it the best for their children. Getting two "Good" Ofsteds during my time here was rewarding for staff, pupils and parents alike, but we all knew that it was a special place.

I have so many fond memories, but some particular favourites include taking part in the Year 6 residentials each year, organising sports days, Summer Fayres and presenting the Leaver's trophies to our amazing pupils, who were ready for their high schools.

I know that with the fantastic leaders and staff, you as supportive parents and the superstars that are the children, Tenterfields will continue to shine on their journey forwards. Thank you for your continued support, I wish you all a fabulous summer break.

Welcome to Mr Dowling



I am delighted to be joining Tenterfields as Acting Deputy Headteacher for the Autumn term. I will be coming to you from another Windsor Academy Trust (WAT) school, Colley Lane Primary Academy, where I am the Deputy Headteacher responsible for Teaching & Learning.

I am thrilled to be joining you as I've heard many great things about the children, and parents from Mr Wade, who, as we all know, will be a tough act to follow. I've been privileged to work with Mr Wade over the last three years as part of the WAT Strategic Leaders of Teaching & Learning team, and I've also collaborated with a number of the other Tenterfields staff through my work as one of the WAT English

Lead Practitioners.

Right now, I am working closely with Mr Wade and Miss Buffery to ensure as smooth a transition as possible is achieved in the Autumn Term. As part of this, I will be visiting Tenterfields a number of times before we break up for the summer holidays, so I look forward to meeting you and the pupils. When I come, I would love to speak to as many of you as possible and answer any questions you may have. I'm really excited about this great opportunity and look forward to speaking with you soon. Mr Dowling.

Goodbye and Good luck to Mrs Poole



I have very much enjoyed my time at Manor Way and Tenterfields. Both schools and their communities have made me feel so welcome and comfortable. The children are amazing and I know they will go on to be successful in their futures. I hope they've enjoyed their sport and PE lessons and I wish them and you all the best! We wish Mrs Tidman-Poole all the best at her new school.

Welcome to Mr Griffiths

Hello, my name is Mr Griffiths! Having taught across different year groups and leading PE in my previous school, I am very much looking forward to starting my journey with Manor Way and Tenterfields Primary school as the new PE teacher. I am passionate about health, fitness and well-being and enjoy a range of different sports, particularly rugby. I am eager to get started and share my vision of what PE has to offer a child's physical and mental development.



Transition to Next Year's Teacher

That time has come around again and our thoughts turn to the next class that your child will be moving to. We are keen to ensure that we make the transition for children from their present class to their new class a smooth one and we have planned a series of transition activities for the children in our current Reception to Year 5 classes. These activities will help them become familiar with their new teacher and prepare them for a happy and successful start to the new school year.

If you have any questions about next year then please do not hesitate to speak to us. If your child has any transitional needs then teachers and Mrs Taylor, our SENCo, will liaise to ensure that transition is well supported and children are happy.

Teachers for next year are:

Sept 22	Teachers	Classroom	Morning entrance
Nursery	Miss Ellerton Mrs Giles	Nursery	Nursery Door
Reception	Miss Hawker Mrs Johal	Reception	Library door at the bottom of the playground
Year 1	Miss D'Amone Mrs Prentice	Year 1 class	Lower playground door
Year 2	Mrs Gormley	Year 2 class	Lower playground door
Year 3	Miss Barber	Year 3 class	Lower playground door

Year 4	Mr Banks	Year 4 class	Upper playground door
Year 5	Miss Hill	Year 5 class	Upper playground door
Year 6	Miss Hampson	Year 6 class	Upper playground door

Date	Transition Arrangements
Wed 13th	Virtual 'Meet the Teacher' meeting with parents and carers. Each teacher will host two transition meetings in order for parents with siblings to attend their meetings. If you have three children in school we will make separate arrangements for your third meeting with the teacher. Further information will follow. Meeting 1 3.50 - 4.15 Meeting 2 4.20 - 4.45
Before the 15th July	Story time All children will have an opportunity for their new teacher to visit their class and read them a story. This will be organised by the teachers at a time that works with their curriculum planning.
15.7.22	Friday Fun Day A day where the children and staff (and parents, if you want to!) can come in Fancy Dress to celebrate the fact that they have all been heroes this year. It will be a day of fun and celebration. This will be the last full day that your child will spend with their current teacher as they will have three full transition days with their new teacher at the start of the last week.
15.7.22	Send a Wave New teachers will 'send a wave' to the children at home via Class Dojo with information all about themselves. A template of a wave will be uploaded to Class Dojo so children can complete their own and 'send a wave' back to their new teacher.
18.7.22 19.7.22 20.7.22	Transition Days Your child will come into school and go to their new classroom and be taught by their new teacher on Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th of July. This will support them to be familiar with their classroom and their teacher before they break up. On the last day, 21.7.22, the children will return to their current teacher and classroom for the last hour before dinner to say goodbye and get ready for hometime. Year 6 will have a series of activities planned for them on these days and their traditional send off at hometime on the last day.

Dads and Doughnuts















Praise certificates for the last three weeks have been awarded to the following children. A huge well done to them all for working hard on their ASPIRE Character Virtues!

Praise Certificates		Well done for		
	Arlo	Arlo has been working hard and displaying a lot more confidence during group times by offering ideas and joining in with singing and dancing.		
Nursery	Billy	Billy is always approaching his teachers with 'ideas' and suggesting ways to solve problems he encounters during his play. Billy is creative with his thinking and solutions.		
	Elliot	Elliot has been working extremely hard on his communication and is beginning to talk in longer sentences. He is able to let adults know what he needs and is working to communicate his feelings.		
	Samuel	Recently Samuel has started to show more focus in his learning. He is beginning to apply what he has been taught to his everyday learning and the activities and challenges he completes in class. Samuel is showing resilience when he finds something difficult.		
Reception	Aviraj	For beginning to understand how he can get himself unstuck if he is faced with a challenge. He is becoming less reliant on an adult to help him to find a solution to any problems he comes across either with his work or in a social situation.		
	Molly	Molly is beginning to understand the importance of making her own choices. She is working hard to develop her reading skills and is trying her best when she is asked to work independently.		
Year 1	Zaara	Zaara has been working really hard, especially in Maths. She is quietly growing in confidence and likes to share her ideas in class. Sometimes she finds things tricky, but with greater resilience has pushed through any difficulties. Well done, we're very proud of you!		
	Fletcher	Fletcher is becoming very focused in his learning. He links his ideas across curricular and loves to share his ideas and the answers to our tasks and challenges. Super work! Well done.		

	Tommy-Lee	Tommy-Lee tries really hard in every lesson. Even when he finds things tricky, he will ask for support and is enthusiastic to have a go! Well done, we're very proud of your efforts.
	Olivia	Olivia has been working exceptionally hard in our reading sessions. She has been practising at home and reading daily in school. The extra effort has been rewarded by her moving book level again! Well done Olivia!
Year 2	Matilda	Tilly has been so resilient, working hard to improve her fluency and expression when reading one to one. Fabulous work Tilly keep it up!
	Charlotte	Charlotte is becoming very focused in her learning. She has worked exceptionally hard in our reading sessions. Super work! Well done.
	Jack	Jack has been working hard this week with his independent writing. He has shown great resilience and creativity with his ideas for a poem about spring. Not only has Jack used adjectives effectively but he has also been able to communicate his ideas well to adults to explain them further.
Year 3	Woody	Woody has been working really hard recently with his writing. He has been listening well to feedback and applying this to his writing.Woody is a very creative storyteller which has been coming out in his writing more recently.
	Joey	Joey has settled in well since moving school. He has tried hard during every lesson and has shown resilience which has helped him with his understanding.
	Spencer	Spencer has been fantastic this week, especially when creating an animation as part of the artsmark award using Ipads He worked independently and with a group. He showed great resilience and teamwork. Superb!
Year 4	Ophelia	For being very creative with her ideas in our English lessons. She has consistently worked independently and responded well to feedback when writing a difficult newspaper report on the issue of Plastic Pollution.
	Sienna	For super effort in all of her tests this week and aiming high. Being respectful and doing the right thing!
	Olivia	Olivia has worked really hard this week and been very resilient in Maths although she doesn't always find it easy. She has persevered and aimed high. Well done Olivia for being brave.
Year 5	Alfie	Alfie showed a great, calm, resilient attitude when completing his sewing work. He did not give up and was even able to support others who were struggling. Well done Alfie, keep up the great work!
	Reuben	Reuben has shown great confidence in Maths over the past half term. He gives 100% effort and is constantly challenging himself further. Keep up the great work Reuben!
	Joshua	Josh always gives 100% effort towards his learning showing great resilience; he is a role model for others.
Year 6	Ethan P	A huge improvement in behaviour and work rate since the shaky start after SAT's. Much improved attitude all round

	Elise	Always working hard in class. Always gives 100%. Growing in confidence and is able to think how she might push herself out of her comfort zone
	Summer Louise	Always gives 100%, always works hard to do her best and always has a smile for me

Hot Chocolate Friday Award

	Hot Chocolate Friday Award Chocolate Awards for the last three weeks were ded to the following children. A huge well done to them all for working so hard		
Nursery	Heidi, Ethan & Oscar		
Reception	Zenith, Ariana & David		
Year 1	Sophie, Sophia & Sebastian		
Year 2	Anaya,Tori-Leigh & Ema		
Year 3	Bonnie, Hollie & Lexi		
Year 4	Bradley, Yara, Logan & Ace		
Year 5	Millie, Dylan & Benjamin		
Year 6	Hannah, RileyCl & Albie		

Class Dojo Awards

Class Dojo awards for the last three weeks were awarded to the following children. A huge well done to them all

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	Class Total ending 10th June	Individual Winner ending 10th June	Class Total ending 24th June	Individual Winner ending 24th June	Class Total Ending Ist July	Individual Winner Ending 1st July
Nursery	136	Olivia	114	Ezra & Myles	104	Alex
Reception	233	Savannah	406	Esme & Jessica	190	Zenith
Year 1	536	Isaac	533	Charlie & Laurella	339	Amelia
Year 2	618	Ema	552	Ava	160	Ava
Year 3	311	Jack	579	Corey	230	Corey
Year 4	695	Yara	318	Isaac	175	Olivia & Saffia
Year 5	318	Aeryn & Florentia	361	William	117	Maizie
Year 6	174	Freya	335	Jacob	221	Dylan

Celebrating Success

Black Country Games

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What a Superstar!

Imogen raised £80 in total at our Summer Fair and has purchased lego to donate to Ward 18 at Birmingham Children's Hospital, in support of her friend who is poorly. Well done Imogen!

What's been happening in school?

<u>Nursery</u>

Nursery have had some special visitors in their classroom over the past couple of weeks. The caterpillars have finally made their cocoons and are busy transforming into butterflies. We are very excited for them to emerge! In phonics we have focused on the phonemes 'b' 'f' and 'e'. We have been trying to find objects in our classroom that begin with these sounds. During maths we have looked at pattern and shape. We identified patterns on the

wings of different butterflies and then have had a go at painting our own butterfly patterns. We have been looking at life cycles and now know the life cycles of a butterfly as well as a frog. We have enjoyed investigating!











Reception

We have had a busy start to the final half term of this academic year!

In Literacy, we started a new story called Handa's Surprise. Before we knew what the book was going to be, we discovered a basket of fruit in our classroom. It contained fruits that we were not familiar with so we had to explore. First we guessed what the fruits might be and then we cut open the fruits to look at what was inside. We also did some taste testing. The fruits in the basket were



passionfruit, papaya and pomegranate. Linked to our story, the children have had the opportunity to play in the role play fruit and vegetable shop (practising their money handling too); paint African animals from the story and retell and write about Handa's Surprise.

In Phonics, we have learnt some of the last sounds we are going to learn in Reception including 'ir (whirl and twirl), 'ou (shout it out)' and 'oy (toy for a boy). Some of our green words have included girl, dirt, third,, bird, out, round, found, shout, toy, boy, enjoy and annoy.

In Maths, we have been learning about odd and even numbers and developing our subitising skills. We have learnt how to find out whether a number is odd or even and we've been spotting patterns in the numbers. To develop our subitising skills, we have been playing different number games and collecting things in the outdoor area to make number pictures with.

We have also been busy preparing for the' Dads and Donuts' day. We have been practising for the performance and making a couple of little surprises!







<u>Year 1</u>

What a busy start to our final term of the year! We have started our new ASPIRE topic looking at global and current affairs. On Monday, we held a virtual meeting with the Black Country Food Bank staff and asked them our planned questions. It was a really informative session and the children found out all about the sterling work they do in our communities!

In Maths, we have started a new topic of money, recognising coins and notes and learning how we can exchange notes for coins of the same value. Children have been very excited to use the plastic money in school!

In English, we are continuing with our Pinocchio story by Carlo Collodi. We have thought about lost toys, favourite toys and then started the process of writing an adventure story by planning key

elements such as similes and verbs. Miss D'Amone brought in a real Pinocchio puppet and wore a hat as Gepetto! The children enjoyed talking to Pinocchio. Did you know his name means 'Pine eyes' in Italian?

In Science, we are looking at a Climate Change project, where the children have become weather watchers! We have measured the temperature, wind speed, rainfall and measured our shadows at key times every afternoon. We have compared our temperature figures with Beijing, China. Our big question is: 'Is the

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weather in June the same all over the world?'. All the data we collect will be collated and then allow us to draw some conclusions.

Year 2

Another great week in Year 2 we have finished reading 'The Tales of Peter Rabbit' the children thoroughly enjoyed his exploits and how he kept escaping from Mr Mc Gregor and being turned into a pie like his Dad... English this week has been a rhyming extravaganza, we have been exploring poetry, what we need to include to be able to write and read poems. The children were all very resilient and recited a poem in front of the class as well as adding actions.

Maths this week has been capacity and then moving onto mass where we used balancing scales to observe heavier and lighter, then we were weighing accurately using scales.

In science, we have begun an experiment with seeds. We planted five sets of seeds. Each set of seeds was given a different growing condition. We have been excitedly waiting every day to see what has happened! We also dissected a seed looking for the baby plant inside. This was then planted, we are waiting to see if they will grow into beans.









Year 3

This week we have started our new text. We are looking at the 'the true story of the three little pigs'. We have enjoyed developing the characters and adding a twist to the story. We are looking forward to writing our own independent stories and developing our own characters.

We have been developing our understanding of mass and capacity in maths. We have practised measuring different items and volumes of water. We enjoyed working as a team to find the difference of volume between two different containers. We have then looked at how we can use bar models to represent different calculations for mass and capacity.

In Curriculum we have started our new theme looking at the rights of children and if everyone should have the same rights. This has created lots of topics for discussion. We have sensibly and respectfully shared our thoughts and have listened to others. This has helped us develop our ideas. We have also learnt lots about our rights and what laws are in place to help us stay safe and feel happy.

We were very excited to celebrate 'Dads and donuts' and have been practising hard all week for our performance. We have also spent some time getting creative and making surprises to help us celebrate.

Year 4

Year 4 has had a fantastic few weeks. The children were lucky enough to go to the MAC Theatre in Birmingham to watch their final animation films as part of the 'Artsmark Award'. The films were amazing and I was so proud to see all their hard work pay off. The children also had lots of fun looking around the art gallery and eating lunch in the sun in the park.









In English, the children have been working hard to complete their newspaper reports on plastic pollution in the oceans. The children have found this very challenging; however, they have shown much resilience in their writing. This has linked very well to our ASPIRE Curriculum Theme as we have been looking at plastic pollution in our lessons and finding about what plastic is made of and how it is disposed of across the World. We have looked in detail at the devastating effects of plastic on the environment. We have been continuing to read our key text 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' and the children have enjoyed seeing Ahmet develop throughout the story.

In Maths, the children have been learning about 3D shapes and investigating their different properties and finding these shapes in everyday objects. For example, a Toblerone Chocolate is a triangular prism. This was interesting to see!

On Friday, we were very excited to celebrate 'Dads and Donuts' and we really enjoyed performing our song 'You Got a Friend in Me' to everyone who attended. Thanks for a great week, Year 4!

Year 5

Wow! What a week we have had! We had a fantastic time at The MAC Theatre in Birmingham seeing our film come to life. We were amazed at how Sophie had edited our films with sound effects and music over the top. We were thrilled to win an award for all of our hard work and effort, well done Year 5!

On Thursday we had a visitor in school, Dr Andy Cope aka Dr Happy and his team. They worked with us all day to begin to change our mindset and think about things more positively. We came up with 3 promises to ourselves of things we wanted to change or be more grateful for. This was a fantastic day, Year 5 really engaged with his sessions and embraced his thinking. I wonder who will be able to keep up the positivity?





Finally on Friday a number of us attended the athletics competition. It was an incredibly warm afternoon but everyone represented Tenterfields phenomenally. We achieved a number of medals and everyone who took part should be incredibly proud of themselves!





Year 6

We have been working really hard to complete our pieces of writing to complete Year 6. We have written a formal letter from Charles Darwin to his Father, a biography of the Queen and have just finished writing a manifesto for our own political party. We are working now on our end of Y6 production of Cinderella and Rockerfella which we hope you will enjoy. I will be sending a list home soon of all the props that we need so start looking, especially for wigs!!

We sang 'Happy' at our Dads and Doughnuts last Friday which went well-more clapping from the Dads was needed! Some of our students took part in an athletics afternoon also on Friday. We did very well at the field sports and the 70 metres winning a selection of medals

Have a lovely weekend and make the most of this lovely weather.

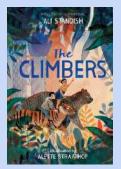
Author of the Month: Ali Standish

Each month, we will celebrate a different author. More information, including books by that author will be available in the library each month.

The Climbers

Lonely Alma is living with her uncle. She's desperate to explore the forest. One day her chance comes! She meets a bear named Star Bear. They go very deep into the forest!





Attendance



Holiday taken during term time

Our school attendance policy states that: Halesowen schools cannot grant leave of absence for family holidays, unless it is deemed truly exceptional circumstance. This applies to siblings who attend different Halesowen schools.

Other News

Parent Governors

Tenterfields has a vacancy for a parent governor, and would like to invite parents who may be interested to apply. Tenterfields is part of the Windsor Academy Trust family of schools. We are passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for all our children.

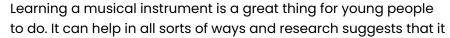
The Local Governing Body meets termly, three times a year and has three core strategic functions:

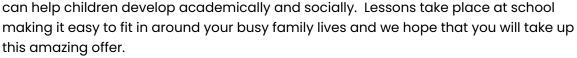
- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils/students; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

No special qualifications are needed and training is available. Parent governors will be elected for four years and do not cease to hold office when their child leaves the school, unless they wish to do so. If you would like an informal discussion about being a parent governor or to receive a letter and nomination form please contact John Dovey, Chair of the Governing Body on jdovey@tenter.windsoracademytrust.org.uk



We are working with Dudley Performing Arts (DPA) to provide music lessons in school and now is a fantastic time to start learning a musical instrument! The team at DPA have decades of experience and are the biggest provider of music education in our area. Students can begin lessons for as little as £7.50 a session so if you would like your child to start learning simply click on the link below to find out how it works.





https://www.dudley.gov.uk/things-to-do/dudley-performing-arts/information-for-parents-and-young-people/music-lessons-in-schools/



Nursery Applications

We have places available in our Nursery for September starters. To apply, or for more information, please contact the school office on 0121 289 5020 or email: info@tenter.windsoracademytrust.org.uk.

PTFA News and Upcoming Events



Summer Fayre

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone involved in our Summer Fair, for the preparation, setting up and running of the many stalls. Everyone had a great time and we raised nearly £1500 for school in the process.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the PTFA, we can be contacted on our email: ptfa@tenter.windsoracademytrust.org.uk or via the school office

Best wishes Jenny Coley & Alicia Hill Chair of the PTFA

Reading Books

Please can we ask that all children's reading and library books be handed into school by 15th July. Any lost books will be charged at £5 each.



The Dark Web Explained

What is The Dark Web Explained?

This resource has been developed by the National Crime Agency in collaboration with The Children's Society and Marie Collins Foundation in response to recommendations from professionals and from research which found that many professionals, parents and carers do not understand the Dark Web and feel unequipped to talk to a young person about it should the need arise.

The Dark Web explained consists of a short informational film with a separate fact sheets for professionals and parents and carers. The resource can help you to:

- understand what the Dark Web is
- know why and how some young people might access the Dark Web
- feel confident having conversations and supporting young people who are accessing the Dark Web

Access via the below link:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals/resources/dark-web-explained/

Parking

We completely understand the challenges facing parents at the start and end of the day and finding a place to park can take time. We know that the vast majority of parents plan their journey and arrive early; park nearby and walk in, or simply walk to school if they can, and we thank you for that. Unfortunately, we have had several calls from our neighbours that a number of parents have been parking on yellow lines and over our neighbours' drives as well as blocking footpaths. We work hard to ensure a positive relationship with our neighbours and would like to ask you once again to

be considerate with your parking and follow all signs and legal road markings. We have had several calls from our neighbours regarding parking over driveways and making it impossible for them to get out of their driveway. Our neighbours and other parents are able to report any cars who park unsafely to the local council or, if parked illegally, to the local police through Operation Park Safe.



ROAD SAFETY

The Road Safety & Awareness Team at Dudley Borough Council provide road safety education and advice to school children and the community across the Dudley Borough.

We have been asked to share with you services you are able to access directly and as required.

Why not take a look.....

Road Safety & Travel Awareness page click here.

Facebook Page - https://www.facebook.com/RoadSafetyDudleyCouncil

Free School Meals

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically be entitled to free meals under the Free School Meals criteria.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following, you will need to submit an online claim in order for school to receive Pupil Premium Funding.:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Please click on the link to see if you qualify https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

Names on School Items



Please can we ask you to double check that everything your child brings into school is clearly named. We have lots of children with the same water bottles and lunch boxes and it will help us to avoid mix-ups and upsets, as well as return lost property when stray items are found. Unnamed uniforms are understandably almost impossible for us to return and we know that it is costly for you to replace.

Names/initials added with a special laundry marker pen is fine!





Diary Dates

Monday 27th June	Inset Day
6th July	EYFS Sports Day 9:30-10:30
4th & 7th July	Parents' Evening - bookings to be made on Parentmail
Thursday 14th July	EYFS Graduation Ceremony 9:30-10:30
Monday 18th July	Year 6 Service & Awards Evening 6pm
Thursday 21st July	Last day of term. School closes at 1pm

TERM DATES 2022-2023

Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25th April 2022
Half Term: Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022
Training Day: Monday 27th June 2022
Last day of term: Thursday 21st July 2022 (pick up at 1 pm)

Extra Bank holiday: Friday 22nd July 2022

Autumn Term 2022

Training Days: Monday 5th September 2022

Term Starts for children: Tuesday 6th September 2022

Half Term holiday: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

Last day of term: Friday 16th December 2022

Spring Term 2023

Training Day: Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Term Starts for children: Wednesday 4th January 2023
Half Term holiday: Monday 20th February to Friday 24th February 2023
Last day of term: Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023

Training Day: Monday 17th April 2023
Term starts for children: Tuesday 18th April 2023
Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2023
Half Term holiday: Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023
Last day of term for children: Friday 21st July 2023 TBC
Training Days: Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July 2023 TBC