

# TEMPLEMOOR INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

JUNE NEWSLETTER 2017

## It's all go at Templemoor!

It's hard to believe that we are already into the last half term of this academic year. It's already proving to be another busy and exciting half term during which we will be welcoming our new Nursery and Reception children when they come to make their visits, as well as sadly saying goodbye to our Year 2 children. There are lots of dates for the diary and we hope that you will all be able to spend some time in school over the next few weeks at the various events!

## Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Well done to all of our children in Year 1, who completed their phonics checks recently. We are very proud of all the children, who all showed determination to do their very best. It was great watching them using their Fred fingers and their sounding out skills during their assessments - well done to everyone who took part in the test. Results of the Phonics Check will be sent home with the end of year reports.

## Nursery Midday Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Nursery midday assistant to start in September 2017. If you are interested then please contact the office for an application form or download the form from our school website [templemoorinfants.co.uk](http://templemoorinfants.co.uk).



## Year 2 Chirk Castle Trip

As part of their Imaginative Learning Project 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets', our Year Two children enjoyed a hands-on History day learning about life in a medieval castle during their visit to Chirk in Wales. The children got to explore the castle grounds to see what the home would have looked like when Sir Thomas lived there. They found the servants hall, the Chapel, the Armoury and their favourite room of all... the Castle Dungeons! The children had lots of fun dressing up as servants and learning about what life would have been like living in a castle. Thank you to our Year Two teachers for organising such a memorable trip and to our Year Two children who were so sensible and made us all feel so very proud of them.



## Year 1 Ocarina Concert

All Year 1 Parents and Carers are invited to join us in the school hall on Wednesday 12th July 2017 at 10am for our Year 1 Ocarina Concert. We can't wait to see our talented children perform!

### Keeping up with the children in I.T.

We are hoping to run an IT course for parents in collaboration with Trafford College. In an ever increasing digital world, why not join this short course and learn how to develop your family's computer skills at home. You will cover E-safety issues and using the internet; get to grips with software to help plan and present projects, explore simple programming tools such as Scratch and learn how to organise work safely and securely. The course is completely free of charge and will run for four weeks from Friday 7th July from 1:15pm to 3:15pm. Attendance is expected at all four sessions. To book a place please pop into school and inform the office, or email [admin@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk) by Monday 3rd July. We need at least 8 parents for the course to go ahead.



### A message from the Governors



Hi there, it's been another busy month for all the children, staff and governors at Templemoor Infant and Nursery School. The children have been out and about enjoying a variety

of school trips, and as always the staff have been busy preparing and delivering a wide-ranging and exciting term of lessons. The school governors have been meeting each month to review policies, receive reports and approve budgets for the school.

As a parent governor I sit on the Extended Services Committee where we look at everything to do with the Nursery and X Club provision and on the Resources and Safety Committee, acting as the lead governor for health and safety.

This term the school has had a comprehensive health and safety audit of its premises management in which the school scored very highly, achieving an impressive 97% overall performance score! The minor improvements recommended will now be actioned by the Headteacher, Business Manager and Caretaker and achievement against them monitored by the governors.

Yet again it seems as though the time is flying by and as we race into the last month of the school year there are still a host of events being held and activities being run. I'm crossing my fingers and toes that for the last big event of the school year, the Summer Fair on Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup> we have a gloriously sunny day - I hope to see you all there!

*Alison Tariq - Parent Governor*

### Road Safety Competition

Thank you to all of the children who entered our Road Safety Competition. Our Chair of Governors, and Safeguarding Governor, Mrs Davenport, came into school to judge the competition. It was a very hard decision! The winners will be announced very shortly. Look out for the winning entries being displayed on Nursery Close very soon.

### Year 2 Recorder Concert

All Year 2 Parents and Carers are invited to join us in the school hall on Wednesday 12th July 2017 at 2:30pm for our Year 2 Recorder Concert. We look forward to seeing the progress the children have made since we last saw them perform.

### Nursery Cakes

On Friday 7th July it will be the turn of our Nursery children to bring in some delicious cakes. The cakes will then be sold at our Summer Fair. Cakes are welcome from any other year group too!

### End of Year Reports

Our teachers are currently in the process of writing end of year reports which you will receive very shortly. I have started to read some of the comments on these and it is such a pleasure to see all the progress that your children have made. Well done children! The end of Year 2 SATs assessments and Year 1 Phonic Screening Check Results will be sent out with the reports.

### Year 1 Outdoor Adventurers/ Den Day

As part of their Imaginative Learning Project 'The Enchanted Woodland' our Year 1 children worked with Paul Wilcox from 'We Are Adventurers'. The children (and the adults!) had a magnificent day doing a range of exciting activities. The children made tree clay boggart faces, they constructed crowns from natural materials, had an outdoor picnic, made the most magical fairy dens and even hunted for a huge pink dragon (which was spotted swooping over our Nursery!). A huge thank you must go to the Year One teachers for organising such an action packed day, our parent volunteers



and to our Year One children who were so well behaved throughout the day.

### Parent Survey

As we mentioned in last months newsletter, we will be sending out an electronic invite on Friday 30th June for you to participate in our annual parent survey. The survey will give you the opportunity to comment on a range of areas from behaviour and the curriculum to homework and school meals. We will use the findings of our parental survey to inform our whole school self-evaluation and to plan our future priorities. Last year we had a massive response, with over 120 parents taking part. Thank you in advance for your support. The results of the survey will be published before we break up for the Summer Holiday.

### Dress Down Day

Don't forget that Friday 7th July is non uniform day! Everybody is asked to bring in a bottle for the Summer Fair. Thank you in advance for your generosity.





### Nursery Trip to Delamere

Our Nursery children, staff and adult helpers had a wonderful sunny day at Delamere Forest. The children ventured on the Gruffalo Trail... looking out for clues, and they even came across a huge Stick Man in the middle of the forest! Everyone had a really great day! Thank you to everyone who helped make this a wonderful trip to remember.

### Templemoor Election 2017

On Friday 30th June, your child will get the opportunity to vote for a piece of new playground equipment that school will purchase to enhance playtimes. The equipment has been chosen by representatives on our School Council, who are busily canvassing the children in each class for votes. The results of the election will be announced via our school Twitter feed and in the July Newsletter. True democracy in action!

### Den Building Days

The Den Days for Reception and Year 2 can be found at the end of this newsletter. Children are asked to bring in £2 on their den building day, with all proceeds going to Save the Children. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

### School Meals

Our talented kitchen team work hard to make sure that our lunches are delicious and nutritious. In consultation with Trafford Catering Services, Mrs Rucki has made some slight changes to the weekly menu. We follow a four week menu, that is freshly prepared daily using local and regional produce. Perhaps the most noticeable change is that fish fingers and chips will not be served each Friday. Instead, we will offer such delights as fishcake, breaded salmon, fish finger wraps and freshly made pizza. Of course, we also provide vegetarian options too. The children have really enjoyed the improved menu so far! Look out for our menus on our school website.

### The Staff Car Park

The staff car park should not be used for dropping off or picking up children. Thank you.

### Templemoor Art Exhibition

We are holding a very special art exhibition in the school hall on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 3:15pm to 7pm. The children in each class are starting to create their very own piece of art which will be professionally framed and mounted and can be viewed on special display stands. Further details about this stunning event, including how you can purchase your child's art work will be sent out on Friday 30th June. We are also very excited to announce that Moorlands Orchestra will be performing during the event too!



## Sale Foodbank Collection

As the long Summer Holiday fast approaches we would once again like to take the opportunity to further support our local Foodbank. There is a particular shortage of pasta sauce, biscuits, instant mash, tinned fruit, sponge puddings, treats, chocolates and custard. If you think you could support this important cause, then please send in any of the above donations by Monday 24th July. Thank you in advance for your kindness.



## Reception Airport Trip

It was up, up and away for the children in Bees and Ladybirds as they visited Manchester Runway Visitor Centre. The children were excited to see the planes taking off and landing. At the Runway Centre the children had first hand experiences of sitting in the flight deck of the DC10 and dressing up as cabin crew, firefighters and police. A fantastic afternoon was had by all! Thank you to the Reception Team for organising the trip, and to our wonderful Reception children for being so inquisitive and polite!

## Forest School Lessons

We are delighted to announce that in the Autumn Term, the children in Year 2 will have a session of outdoor learning each week, followed in the Spring Term by Year 1. The lessons will be led by a qualified Forest Schools Lead Adventurer from 'We Are Adventurers'. The sessions will develop a wide range of skills as well as covering many curriculum areas including mathematics, science, geography and imaginative play. This will add another exciting dimension to our children's learning at Templemoor and will really make learning delicious! We are also hoping to run a weekly 'Outdoor Adventurers After School Club' for Year 1 and 2 children. Further details to follow!

## New Teachers

We are also excited to announce that from September we will have two new teachers joining the Templemoor Team, Miss Lucy MacIntyre and Miss Zoe Salisbury. Both teachers shone at interview both in terms of their teaching and in terms of fitting in with the wonderful team that we already have at Templemoor.

## New Classes

Tuesday 18th July and Monday 24th July is 'change-over day'. Year 1 will visit Year 2, Reception will visit Year 1 and some of our new children will visit Reception! The children will bring home a letter telling you who their new teacher and class will be for next year with their end of year reports. Not long to wait!

## The Summer Fair 2017

Planning is now in full swing for our Summer Fair. There will be a range of exciting activities and stalls including pony rides, tombolas, delicious food, games and a bar! If you would like to help us to set up on the day or help out on a stall we would love to hear from you. The Fair is on Saturday 8th July 2017, starting at 2pm and finishing at 4pm. We look forward to seeing you there.



### Multi Skills Event

On Tuesday 4th July, the PE Sports Hub, who we work with to deliver high quality PE provision to all of our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children, will be running a multi skills afternoon for Year 1 and Year 2 children. The aim of the multi skills event is to support the children in developing their core skills of running, jumping, throwing, balance and coordination and of course to experience competition and to have fun! On Thursday 6th July the PE coaches will run the event for our Reception children. Let's hope that the weather improves!



### Project Cow Lane

Two by Two have been asked by City of Trees, Sale Water Park and Trafford Council to produce information boards around Sale Water Park that are designed with children in mind. Zoe Taylor from Two by Two has worked with our Year 2 children, as well as the children in Moorlands, to design the boards. The boards will be in the shape of cows, dedicated to the areas history. It has been a privilege to have been asked to be a part of this exciting project and we can't wait to see the finished boards at the Park! Well done Year 2 for being so creative and producing some amazing art work for the boards.

### School Organisation for September 2017

From September, the year group organisation for the school will be as follows:

Nursery	Mrs Cundick Mrs Leigh and Mrs Rowland
Reception	Mrs Berry and Mrs Ree Miss MacIntyre
Year 1	Mrs Drinkwater and Mrs Ree Miss Salisbury and Mrs Brown
Year 2	Mrs Campbell Mrs Wynne and Mrs Brown

### Co-op Funding

We are continuing to fundraise to purchase a much needed whiteboard for the school hall. With the right computing equipment, the potential is immense to provide the children with enhanced assemblies, PE lessons and performances. We need your help! Please become a Co-op member, if you aren't already. This can be done online at [www.coop.co.uk/membership](http://www.coop.co.uk/membership) or in store. Once you have done this, then log in to your Co-op member account and choose 'Friends of Templemoor' as your local cause. So far we have managed to raise £976.83, but we are aiming to raise £3000. We will continue to keep you updated about the total amount raised so far. Thank you for your support.



## Dates for the final part of the Summer Term 2017

Thursday 29th June 2017	Reception Induction Meeting at 7pm (for new Reception Parents and Carers)
Friday 30th June 2017	Templemoor Election
Monday 3rd July 2017	Year 2 Den Day
Tuesday 4th July 2017	Year 1 and Year 2 Multi Skills Event
Thursday 6th July 2017	Reception Multi Skills Event
Friday 7th July 2017	Keeping up with the kids in IT course 1:15pm to 3:15pm
Saturday 8th July 2017	The Summer Fair 2pm to 4pm
Monday 10th July 2017	Reception Den Day
Wednesday 12th July 2017	Year 1 Ocarina Concert at 10am Year 2 Recorder Concert at 2:30pm
Friday 14th July 2017	Keeping up with the kids in IT course 1:15pm to 3:15pm
Tuesday 18th July 2017	Change Over Day! Templemoor Art Exhibition 3:15pm to 7pm
Friday 21st July 2017	Keeping up with the kids in IT course 1:15pm to 3:15pm
Monday 24th July 2017	Change Over Day!
Thursday 27th July 2017	Year 2 Leavers Disco
Friday 28th July 2017	Year 2 Leavers Assembly at 9am Keeping up with the kids in IT course 1:15pm to 3:15pm School breaks up for the Summer holiday at 3:15pm

**An event calendar for the Autumn Term 2017 will follow very shortly!**

## Summer Term 2017

<b>Opens</b>	Tuesday 18th April 2017
<b>School Closed - Bank Holiday Monday</b>	Monday 1st May 2017
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 26th May 2017
<b>Opens</b>	Monday 12th June 2017
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 28th July 2017

## Autumn Term 2017

<b>Opens</b>	Tuesday 5th September 2017
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 20th October 2017
<b>Opens</b>	Tuesday 31st October 2017
<b>Closes</b>	Thursday 21st December 2017