



Templewood Times



Summer Term 2 Newsletter

20th July 2018

Olivia Production

Well done to all pupils involved in the production this week. It was a fantastic show and all pupils should be very proud of their involvement. Thank you to all the staff for their support and time over the past few weeks.

A particular big applause goes to the Year 6 pupils. They have worked very hard in remembering their lines, singing the songs, organising the staging and working on accents! It was a pleasure to watch and wonderful to see how far they have come since they started at Templewood.

Thank You and a Fond Farewell...

As we reach the end of another eventful and fun filled year we want to say a big thank you to all the pupils and staff for their perseverance and dedication. Behind the scenes it has been a bit of a roller coaster for Templewood staff this year and I want to acknowledge the incredible positivity and effort they have put in to the pupil's learning and continuing to make our school a wonderful place to be. We would like to say thank you to all our lovely librarians who have made a big impact on the amount of school borrowing this year and inviting activities, and to all our volunteers who are invaluable to us.

However, it is also a time to bid farewell to our Year 6 pupils who will be moving on to secondary school, and also a number of other pupils who are relocating or venturing to new schools. We wish you all the best as you make new friends and meet new teachers. Keep in touch!

This term we will also be saying goodbye to a number of staff at Templewood who are pursuing new careers, moving closer to home, going on maternity leave, retiring and getting married. Thank you to Mr Bryan, Miss Sheppard, Mrs Paice, Mrs Mason, Mrs Sells and Mrs Choudry. In September, Miss Wheatland will be in school for a few weeks for handovers before pursuing further study, and Mrs Worsley will be moving from Nursery into Year 6 on a Friday morning.

We would also like to acknowledge the incredible hard work, enthusiasm and commitment Mrs Hollingsworth has given to our school. The school will not be the same without you and your infectious laugh!

Outdoor Learning Area

As many of you will have noticed at Open Evening, Mrs Bishop has done a fantastic job of maintaining and improving our Outdoor Learning Environment. She has been supported by her father and also Mrs Busse-Reid. There are still more exciting elements to happen so watch this space!

Bring your pennies on Friday 20th July to help an ex-pupil, India Thomas, raise money for her World Challenge Trip. Mrs Marshall will sell lollies to nursery pupils at 12pm.
Ice pop = 50p
Lolly = £1

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Fundraising

We have had a number of successful fundraising opportunities this term. EYFS did a Sponsored Bounce on Wednesday 20th June and raised £435.90 Thank you to everyone who sponsored the children and well done to all pupils!



As part of our Creative Week, the pupils dressed up as what they wish to be when they're older to celebrate the NHS turning 70. We raised £155.55 which will be presented to the Children's Care at Lister / QEII in September.

For the KS2 performance of Olivia there was a collection of roughly £80 during one of the songs. The Year 6 pupils have chosen to donate this money to Great Ormond Street Hospital.

House Points

Congratulations to Blue Jays who won the overall inter-house competition this year. They celebrated their achievement with an archery session on Tuesday morning. All pupils should be incredibly proud of the house points they have achieved this year. Roll on September when the competition begins again!

Sports

Sports day was a very successful event again this year. The pupils loved taking part and it is always lovely to see so many family members come to support them.

The Sports Partnership has organised a number of events this term including Year 3 Football skills, Swimming Gala, Year 4 Commonwealth Festival, The Mallon challenge and The Year 5 Gold Coast Games. In addition we had a Kwik Cricket Tournament for Year 6 pupils. They qualified for the District Finals at Oaklands. Well done boys, you did us proud!

TSA Lottery The winning numbers for April, May, June and July draws are 110, 114, 45 and 16. Congratulations to Mrs Slark, Mrs Sweeney, Mrs Daley and Mrs Squires.

Royal Wedding

As some of you may remember Art Club made a card that was signed by the whole school for Harry & Meghan's wedding.

We have been lucky enough to receive a royal thank you.

Well done to everyone!

Mrs Stedham – Art Club

The Duke and Duchess of Sussex have been overwhelmed by all the incredibly kind cards and letters they have received on the occasion of their Wedding, and are so touched that you took the trouble to write as you did.

It really was most thoughtful of you and greatly appreciated by Their Royal Highnesses who send you their very best wishes.



Governors' Thank you

We would just like to say thank you to our Governing Body for all the support they have given the school this year and behind the scenes activities. In particular we would like to thank Mark Thomas for the 10 years he has put into the Governing Body as a member and also as a Co-Chair of Governors. Thank you!

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Class News

Nursery

This term in Hawthorn we have been learning about Minibeasts. Over the past couple of weeks we have been focusing on Caterpillars and Butterflies. Mrs Spragg shared Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. We loved the beautiful Butterfly so much that for Arts week we have created our own whole class 'Beautiful Butterfly' We are very proud of our work and we think that we have created the most amazing butterfly we have ever seen. We had to use our fine motor skills carefully paint a section of the Butterfly. We used water colours and fine paint brushes so that we could focus on the small details. Adults supported us by demonstrating how to hold a paint brush and help us with our colour selection.



Reception

Willow Class enjoyed exploring pattern in art, mathematics and the natural world; where animals have been identified by stripes, spots and colours. To consolidate their learning Willow Class enjoyed visiting Ventura Wildlife Park and Van Hage Garden Centre where zebra, lemurs and peacocks were identified by their patterns. The children were so well behaved, that the restaurant staff commented upon the children's exemplary behaviour –well done children!

The children have had a fabulous time exploring the wooded area during their Forest School sessions. They amazed Mrs Mason and Mrs Marshall with their den building abilities, their determination to do things that they had never done before – tying anchor knots, making journey sticks to remind them of the route they had taken – and their super team spirit.

With sporting fever gripping the nation Willow Class were no exception and rose to the occasion by excelling at all the activities on offer during the EYFS Sports Day. They put their collective best foot forward when participating in a tennis session and when taking part in a sponsored bounce to raise money for the EYFS.

It has been a real honour to have been part of Willow Class and although we will miss them, we know that they are ready to start the next part of their Templewood journey in Year One.

Year 1

This half term we have completed our Topic: *Who would live in a place like this?* We have really enjoyed finding out about the worms that live in our outdoor areas as well as designing parks for children in our local area. We have also loved reading *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch* and finding out about the adventures of Mr Grinling, the lighthouse keeper. We wove mats and designed plates for him to eat his lunch on and iced biscuits for him.

We are so proud of all the progress that the children have made this year and hope you have a wonderful summer.

Year 2

We started the half term with a themed day where the children came dressed as a pirate; their activities included writing a message in a bottle and following clues to find treasure.

In Science we looked at the differences between seeds and bulbs, growing both in class. We investigated factors which effect plant growth by conducting some experiments with cress seeds.

Year 2 was caught up in football fever, taking part in a World Cup Sweepstake. Rhys was lucky to have been allocated France which saw him win his own trophy!

Year 3

This half term we have continued with our topic Under the Sea and the children enjoyed a visit to Southend Aquarium. They also had a great time playing on the beach as the weather was so nice. We have made under the sea pictures and learnt about the Titanic, even writing a recount of our own journey on this famous ship.

In science we have been looking at plants and carrying out experiments to find out what they need to grow. During creative week we focused on the Chelsea Flower show and the children made flowers out of salt dough and origami. We even went into the outdoor learning area to paint the flowers in water colours.

Year 4

This term Maple Class has been learning about the rainforest in our topic learning and even had the opportunity to handle some rainforest creatures during a workshop lead by Paul Carpenter from 'Life in the Rainforest'. The children were thoroughly captivated by Paul and enjoyed watching videos and listening to stories about his own experiences in different rainforests across the world. A particularly memorable moment was when Paul showed the children a video of him eating a tarantula – one child said it put him off his lunch!



Year 5

This half term has been a very busy one for Larch Class. We were fortunate enough to have a Maya Archaeologist come in to talk to us about her research and what she had discovered about the Maya. The children had the opportunity to look at real artefacts as well as pictures and videos that the archaeologist had taken during her discoveries. We also visited Monks Walk School for a multiday activity day where the children had the opportunity to trail some language, drama, music and P.E at Monks Walk in order to get a taster for Secondary School. Finally, we had a fantastic day at Gosling Sports Park, at the 'Gold Coast Games'. In preparation for this trip, the children were busy making banners, flags and T-shirts to support their teams at the event. The children had a chance to take part in some activities that many of them had not taken part in before as well as some athletics events.

Year 6

Year 6 are so proud of their amazing production of Olivia. They have worked incredibly hard learning their lines, accents and movements. It was a tremendous success, thanks to all of the Templewood staff. I would also like to thank the parents again for their hard work with the costumes.

Year 6 were also having a ball at Legoland taking me onto all the scary rides and shooting lasers.

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The children should feel very proud of themselves this year, they have come a long way since September, enjoying and learning many things. In particular I would like to congratulate them all on their hard work with the build-up and completing of SATS. This class will always be a special class in my life and I feel very humbled to have taught them twice. I wish everybody all the best in their new journey of secondary school where I am sure they will graduate as amazing as they all are now.

Outdoor Learning Environment:

Year 3 have been painting the wildflowers for Creative Week.

This week Years 2 have visited the new Story Area to perform pirate puppet shows.



Gold Book

Hawthorn

Harry, Arthur, Max, Roman,
Savannah, Laila, Robin, Darcy, Abby
and Freya

Willow

Ava, Alma, Joel, Blake, Ethan, Evie,
Hollie, Julio, Callum and Senuli.

Elder

Anthony, Lily, Nila, Maria,
Stella, Freddie, Daniel, Isabella,
Ethan, Maria, George,
Nathan, Sofia and Emily.

Birch

Soraia, Grace, Sebastian, Annabel,
Mark, Harvey, Santino, Holly Co

Elm

Jo, Katie, Rio, Zayn, Isaac, Isabella,
Rio, Katie, Rio, Charlie

Maple

Lenny, Emma, Jaiden, George T,
Amelia, Daisy, Lola, Freddie, Sara,
Chloe, Tommy, Louis M and Luis W.

Larch

Feyi, Rose, Sam, Joe,
Sonny, Millie, Lola,
Matthew, Flo, Zahra,
Lucia and Alex.

Oak

Zaki, Bruno, Alexia, Amber,
Sam B, Laura, Ronnie, Alexia,
Willow and Ellie

Lunchtime

Year 5, Blake, Freddie O, Saffron,
Daisy K, Lenny, Dominique
And all of Year 5

Reading Challenge



Reading Challenge Prize Winners

Avin W, Hannah U,
Bobby D, Charlotte P,
George M, Nathan E
And Rachel DS

Super Star

Eddie V
Lenny W
Melanie O
Samika M
Alex A

Gold Award

Eddie V
Libby B
Melanie O
Hannah U
Lola H
Eleanor M

Silver Award

Alessandro C
Lorna P

Bronze Award

Alicia J-T
Oliver P

Super Brain Award



Presented to

Rachel DS

Isla E

Libby B

Holly CI

Karthik R

Aidan R

Evie L

Smile Award



Presented to

Harvey S

Temi O

Soraia DMC

Zahra J

Year 6 Swimming Team

Harry C

Willow Class

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TSA Thank you

As many of you are aware, Michelle Nichols has stepped down from the role of Chair this term. As a school we would just like to say a big thank you for all her hard work with raising money for the school.

In particular, the time and dedication Michelle has put into improving our outdoor EYFS areas. Thank you from all of the staff and pupils for your support.

TSA News

Summer Coin Challenge

Can you help raise funds for the School by collecting spare change over the Summer?

The TSA are asking you to join us in collecting spare change over the holidays in a jar or pot. Please put your name, year and house colour on your money pot.

Please look out on our face book page over the summer as we will be posting money jar making ideas, and hope to see photos of all your money jars filling up!

All coins can be included; 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p or even £1 coins.

After the summer holidays, the coins will be collected and the House (Red, Blue or Greens) who has raised the most money for the TSA will be crowned the winners! We will be asking parents to give us ideas and vote on how the money should be spent! Further details to follow!

The Facebook page is "Templewood School Association." The page is a private closed page for parents and carers.

Coffee morning

On Friday 7th Sept 9.15am, the TSA are hosting a welcome coffee morning for all parents of nursery children. However all parents from the school are welcome to come along. Babies and toddlers welcome too. The aim is to meet new parents and find out about what the TSA do.

TSA Volunteer Roles – Vacancies

Chair or co-chairs

The Chair provides leadership for the committee, directs meetings, and welcomes ideas and comments from everyone. He or she ensures the business of the TSA is conducted in accordance with the wishes of the representatives of the TSA. The chair make sure everyone is aware of their roles and duties, that everyone is heard, that issues are properly debated, and that fair decisions are made, which uphold the objectives of the constitution.

The chair works with the school to agree a plan of events to raise money for the school.

Key skills required: Responsible, Confident, organised, able to remain impartial, friendly & calm, fun loving, and able to delegate.

Treasurer

The treasurer ensures that accurate financial records are kept, and ensures best practise procedures in managing the income and expenditure.

The treasurer gives financial summaries at TSA meetings and a financial report at the annual AGM.

The treasurer manages the day to day accounts including issuing cheques, arranging floats for events, and completing banking transactions.

Key skills required: Basic book keeping, responsible and trustworthy, organised, calm and approachable. Confident in presenting information.

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Committee members

The TSA are looking for committee members to join us. We would like representation from all year groups. All new members will be warmly welcomed.

The committee members attend TSA meetings, contribute ideas, help with fundraising, get involved in planning, owning and running events.

Do you have a particular strength or talent? We would love someone to manage our social media and marketing, help with newsletters, ticketing and much more!

May Ball

The May ball 2019 will be on Saturday 18th May. Please save the date! Further details will follow next term.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the TSA this year. Enjoy the summer and we look forward to seeing you all in the new term!

For further details of anything in this TSA update, please contact Melissa Hudson, Vice Chair:
Mel83@talk21.com

The next half-term at Templewood

Week beginning 3rd September 2018

Monday	INSET Day
Tuesday	INSET Day
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	TSA Coffee morning – to welcome new parents

Week beginning 10th September 2018

Monday	Governing Body meeting
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	Y5 Burwell meeting 3.20pm
Friday	

Week beginning 17th September 2018

Monday	Year 5 Cycle Training week
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Week beginning 24th September 2018

Monday	Harvest assembly – pupils only
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Week beginning 1st October 2018

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Week beginning 8th October 2018

Monday	Y6 High Adventure meeting 3.20pm
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Week beginning 15th October 2018

Monday	
Tuesday	Parent Teacher Consultations
Wednesday	Parent Teacher Consultations
Thursday	
Friday	

Week beginning 22nd October 2018

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Flu vacs for Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5

For a full list of dates, please see the interactive calendar on our website which is updated on a regular basis.

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Templewood School Term Dates 2018/2019

Autumn Term

Wednesday 5th September 2018 – Friday 21st December 2018

Autumn Half Term

Monday 29th October 2018 – Friday 2nd November 2018

Spring Term

Tuesday 8th January 2019 – Friday 5th April 2019

Spring Half Term

Monday 18th February 2019 - Friday 22nd February 2019

Summer Term

Thursday 25th April 2019 – Wednesday 24th July 2019

Bank holiday – Monday 6th May 2019

Summer Half Term

Monday 27th May 2019 – Friday 31st May 2019

Occasional Day

Monday 24th June 2019

INSET Days

Monday 3rd September 2018

Tuesday 4th September 2018

Monday 7th January 2019

Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Wednesday 24th April 2019