

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,
School has been buzzing with excitement today during our World Book Day celebrations! Thank you to our English Subject Leader, Mrs Shippam, who has organised lots of exciting reading related activities – and thank you too to parents and carers for providing such wonderful costumes and helping us make this an extra special day for the children!
Best wishes,
Mrs Siân Oustayiannis
Headteacher

HAPPY WORLD BOOK DAY!



*"You can find magic wherever you look.
Sit back and relax all you need is a book!"*

ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance up to 5th March 2020 is **97%**.

PUNCTUALITY

Classroom doors open at 8.45am so that learning can start promptly at 8.55am.

5th March 2020



SAVE THE DATE - SPORTS DAY

Please note that this year we are planning to hold Sports Day earlier in the year than we have done previously. If you would like to attend the date to save is:

FRIDAY 22nd MAY
Years 1 and 2 – morning
Reception - afternoon

If we have to call off the day due to poor weather then another date will be arranged in the summer term.
Parents/carers will not need to sign up for this event as there is no limit on how many visitors we can host.
Further details will follow.

CORONAVIRUS

We understand that parents and carers will have concerns about the spread of Coronavirus. Following the information sent to parents last week we continue to receive updates and advice from the Local Authority and we regularly check the DfE and Public Health England advice for Educational Settings:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

We are doing our best to keep all bugs at bay by encouraging good handwashing at school. Please do help us by reinforcing this at home.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>

SMILES BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOL CLUB



SMILES Club currently have a small number of spaces for wrap round care:
Breakfast Club – Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursdays and Fridays
After School Club – Fridays only

Please contact our SMILES Manager, Mrs Francesca Berry, for further details.
*Email: smilesclub@welearn365.com
*Phone: (between 7.25am-8.25am or 3.30pm and 6pm or leave a message on the answerphone) 07925 823386
*Face to face: Mrs Berry is in attendance at the club each day between 7.45am and 8.25am and between 3.30pm and 6pm.

AIR POLLUTION

If you drive your child to school please remember to turn off your car engine when you are parked near school. Exhaust fumes are odourless and colourless but even mild exposure can cause headaches, dizziness and fatigue.

Young children have a higher risk of harm from exhaust fumes which can affect lungs, increase instances of asthma and also affect concentration and memory skills.

On behalf of the children - thank you for keeping our journeys to school pleasant and clean.

HENRY THE TORTOISE



We were delighted to welcome Henry the tortoise into school last week. Reception children have been learning about reptiles and were amazed to discover that Henry is a reptile. Year 1 have been learning about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores – Henry is a herbivore and Mrs Pugsley, his owner, explained his diet to the children. Thank you to Mrs Pugsley for letting us meet Henry – we hope he enjoyed his morning at Telford Infants!



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to those parents who completed our recent Parent Questionnaire. We are busy analysing the results and will provide feedback very soon.



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READING AT HOME

We would like to recommend a brilliant website called 'Books for Topics' which we frequently use in school to help us source high quality texts across the curriculum. However, parents and carers might be particularly interested in the website's '50 Recommended Reads' which are suggested booklists for children of different ages:

Reception: <https://www.booksfortopics.com/reception>

Year 1: <https://www.booksfortopics.com/year-1>

Year 2: <https://www.booksfortopics.com/year-2>



DIARY DATES

Latest Update 5th March 2020

MARCH 2020

Thursday 5 th	World Book Day From 27 February-29 March, we are supporting World Book Day's Share A Million Stories campaign.
Friday 13 th	Sport Relief Day
Friday 20 th	PTA Mother's Day Present Room
Tuesday 24 th	Reception – Eye Tests
Tuesday 24 th	Learning Reviews
Thursday 26 th	Learning Reviews
Friday 27 th morning	PTA's Coin Snake Challenge
Monday 30 th to Thursday 2 nd	Science Week
Monday 30 th	Whole school Learning Visit to Cotswold Wildlife Park

APRIL 2020

Wednesday 1 st	The Animal Man and his animals to visit school
Friday 3 rd	Easter Service for the children at St Mary Magdalene Church (we will need some parents to help walk us to church please)
Friday 3 rd	PTA Easter Raffle
Friday 3 rd 3.20pm	School breaks up for Easter
Monday 6 th to Friday 17 th	Easter Holidays
Monday 20 th	School reopens for the Summer term
Thursday 30 th 7pm	PTA Meeting

MAY 2020

Friday 1 st	PTA Sponsored Bounce
Friday 8 th	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Friday 22 nd	Sports Day - further details to follow : Years 1 and 2 – am Reception – pm
Monday 25 th to Friday 29 th	Half Term

JUNE 2020

Monday 1 st	INSET – School closed to the children
Tuesday 2 nd	School reopens to the children

TERM DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE:

https://www.telford-inf.warwickshire.sch.uk/web/term_dates/316881

DIARY DATES FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN WHO ARE OFFERED A PLACE FROM WARWICKSHIRE ADMISSIONS TO START IN OUR RECEPTION CLASSES FROM SEPTEMBER 2020

We hope that releasing the following dates in advance will be helpful to families who have applied for a Reception place for their child starting in September 2020.

Please note that Warwickshire Admissions will confirm allocation of places directly with parents on 16th April. We will contact families whose children have been offered and accepted a place with Admissions shortly afterwards confirming the dates below and providing lots more information.

DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Monday 22 nd June, 6pm to 7pm	New Reception Parents evening (this event is not suitable for the children)
Tuesday 23 rd June, morning times tbc	New Reception Stay and Play sessions (parent/carer also stays)
Saturday 27 th June, 12noon to 2pm	Telford Infant School PTA Summer Fair (all welcome)
Thursday 2 nd July, 2.30pm to 3pm	New Reception Storytime (parents/carers welcome to wait in the school hall)
Wednesday 8 th July, morning or afternoon session times tbc	New Reception Stay and Play sessions (parents/carers don't stay for these sessions)

DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 2 nd to Tuesday 8 th September	Home Visits
Wednesday 9 th , Thursday 10 th and Friday 11 th September	Children attend half days
Monday 14 th September	Reception children start full time