

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,
On Monday this week Reception children enjoyed learning all about Diwali and we have also really enjoyed hearing about the Diwali celebrations enjoyed by some of our families across the school last weekend. It sounds as though you had a wonderful time, despite COVID restrictions being in place!

Even in the middle of another Lockdown it is so heartening to see the children loving their learning inside the school – and also the learning at home that is being uploaded onto Tapestry. Thank you for all your support.

Keep safe and well.

Mrs Siân Oustayiannis – Headteacher

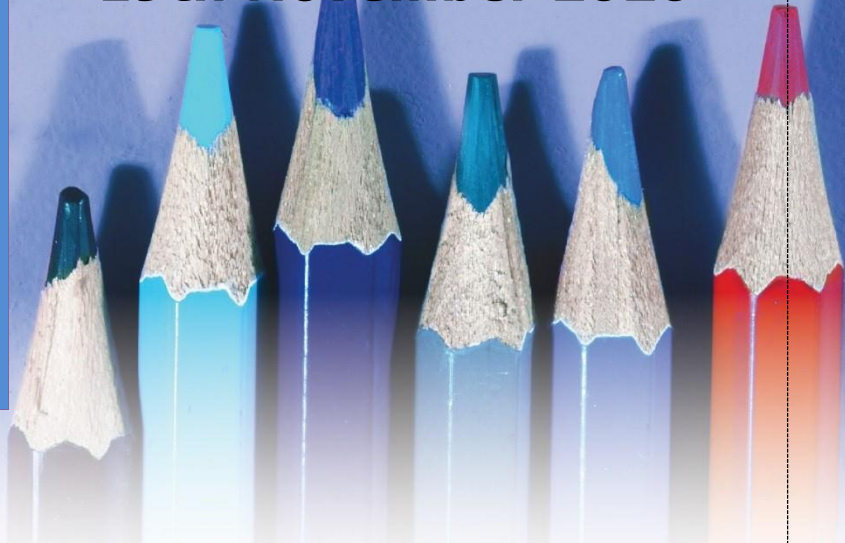
REMINDERS

[Year Group Learning to Learn videos](#) will be uploaded onto Tapestry on [Wednesday 25th](#). Feedback on these meetings is always highly positive and we hope that the virtual versions will be just as informative. Please do contact your child's class teacher if you have any queries about learning.

[Celebration of Learning - Year 1 and 2](#)

Remember to look out for a piece of your child's favourite learning on Tapestry on [Tuesday 24th](#). This is in place of our usual Autumn Celebration of Learning event.

19th November 2020



TELFORD INFANT VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE SCHOOL FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

This year we are sadly unable to host the usual Open Events for parents and carers of children due to start Reception next academic year.

On the 4th December we will be filming around school to create a video to showcase what Telford Infants has to offer. This will then be promoted to new parents, who cannot visit school at this time, on the school website. All social distancing and COVID-19 guidelines will be followed during the filming.

The image consent forms that parents completed when your child started with us will be used to ensure that children are not filmed if consent was not provided for images to be used. However, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that consent for images used in this way can be withdrawn by you at any time.

Please advise the office via email if you wish to withdraw consent in relation to the promotional video.



Parent Teacher Association

COMING SOON...

CHRISTMAS 2020 PTA RAFFLE

Sadly we cannot hold our annual Christmas Fair this year but members of our PTA have been busy sourcing prizes for the Christmas Raffle.

Tickets are being quarantined before being put in book bags for parents/carers to purchase should you wish to.

A letter with further details will be emailed to you on the day that tickets are sent home (early next week).

The grand Prize Draw will take place via ZOOM at 7.30pm on Friday 11th December - link will be sent out nearer the time.

PTA CHRISTMAS WINDOW TRAIL

Further information and dates will follow soon providing details about this brand new event and letting you how you can purchase Window Trail maps. We have had nearly 70 people sign up to decorate a window for this event!

Full details coming very soon.

VILLA FOUNDATION – SLEEP ROUGH

A special congratulations to Elliot and his Daddy for raising over £1,000 for vulnerable families.



HOT DINNERS



Year 1 and Year 2 children are thoroughly enjoying the return of hot dinners!

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY – FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

What a wonderful Children in Need day we had wearing our funky socks and tights! Thank you very much for all the donations received – we raised an amazing **£459.71**





Christmas is coming to Telford Infants...

Christmas will look a little different at Telford Infants this year but we are determined to make it a magical, special time for the children. Here is an overview of what we have planned.

Socks in the Box – dates tbc

Children are invited to bring in a pair of warm adult sized socks to donate to Leamington's Homeless charities as an alternative to sending Christmas cards to their school friends this year. A specially made postbox will be available under the gazebo on the front playground for families to drop off any socks on the way into school or at collection time.

PTA Christmas Raffle Grand Draw – 7.30pm Friday 11th December

Tickets will be sent out to families shortly.

The grand prize draw will take place at 7.30pm on Friday 11th December. A link will be sent out nearer the time for anyone who would like to watch the draw take place.

Christmas Dinner – Monday 14th December

All children are welcome to have a free school Christmas dinner (vegetarian option available), even if they normally bring a packed lunch but please email the school office to inform us of this. Children bringing a packed lunch on that day are welcome to decorate their lunch box if they would like to.

Class Christmas Performances uploaded onto Tapestry – Wednesday 16th December

Christmas performances will be organised into classes rather than year groups this year as we do not have access to the hall the usual way.

Parents will not be asked to make or purchase costumes as we are very aware that non essential clothing shops are still closed and performances will be shorter than usual. The children will be making head dresses appropriate to their parts.

We hope that families will enjoy watching their child's class performance on Tapestry. Please note that Tapestry is not a website and cannot be accessed by the public and also that photos and videos cannot be downloaded so children's images are secure within the Tapestry platform. We have children in school whose images must not be published in the public domain so please do not clip or screenshot any images from the performances.

Please let your child's class teacher know if you do not want your child to take part in their class performance.

Christmas Parties – afternoon Thursday 17th December

These will be class based rather than whole school this year. Please send your child into school in their normal school uniform and with a named bag of party clothes or a Christmas jumper to change into after lunch. The children will enjoy party games in their classrooms and we are looking forward to Christmas cupcakes kindly donated by the PTA. Father Christmas has been invited to try out the One Way system around the school. Staff are wondering whether the children will spot him and whether he can overcome any COVID-19 restrictions to drop off presents for the classes...

If you do not want your child to attend the party please let your child's class teacher know.

Last day of term – Friday 18th

The government guidance is clear that the amount of items brought into and taken home from school should still be kept to a minimum. On the last day of term your child will bring a small number of items they have made in school eg. cards. These will have to be quarantined for the recommended time.



DIARY DATES Latest Update 19.11.2020

NOVEMBER 2020

Tuesday 24 th	Year 1 and Year 2 – Celebration of Learning on Tapestry
Wednesday 25 th	Virtual Learning to Learn Videos for parents: Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

DECEMBER 2020

Friday 11 th – 7.30pm	PTA Christmas Raffle drawn (ZOOM)
Monday 14 th	Year 2 – Phonics Screening Results uploaded onto Tapestry
Monday 14 th	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 16 th	Class Christmas Performances uploaded onto Tapestry
Thursday 17 th - afternoon	Class Christmas Parties
Friday 18 th	Last day of Autumn term

JANUARY 2021

Monday 4 th	Teacher Training Day School closed to the children
Tuesday 5 th	Spring Term starts for the children

TERM DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE:
https://telfordinfant.eschools.co.uk/web/term_dates/316881