

Telford Infant School Newsletter

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THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the parents who made the very kind donation of art materials that were given to us earlier this week – the children are delighted, especially with the glitter!

We are always happy to receive unwanted items of stationery and art and craft supplies. Just pop them into the school office or hand them over to your child's class teacher.

Nothing goes to waste at Telford Infants – if we can't use something we will pass it on to someone who can.

LOVING LEARNING

Dear Parents and Carers,

November was a very happy month at Telford Infants and we are now enjoying lots of learning through our Christmas preparations.

This afternoon we are looking forward to some very important visitors when we hold our first ever Grandparents Christmas afternoon. We do hope all our special guests will enjoy the afternoon as much as the children will.

We all look forward to seeing you at the children's Christmas performances over the couple of weeks.

Best wishes, Mrs Siân Oustayiannis Headteacher

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



Whole school attendance up to 7th December 2017 **97.3%**

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES



Reception and Year 1

Please remember to bring tickets with you. We do have lists of who is attending which performance but it will speed things up if you can remember to bring your tickets. When you arrive for your chosen performance please wait outside the main school entrance, we will let you in as soon as the hall is ready.

Year 2

Your 'ticket' will take the form of a programme which will be given to you on arrival at St Mary Magdalene Church. Up to 2 members of each Year 2 family are invited to attend – please do not bring more than 2 per family as space can be restricted in the church.

Younger Siblings

We strongly encourage parents and carers not to bring younger siblings to the Christmas productions wherever possible. Thank you.

Photographs and Videos

Please note that any video footage or photographs taken at school events should not be shared on social media sites. We ask that you take images of your child only. As you will be aware, parental consent is required for all children in our school relating to the publication of images and there are children in school who must not have their photographs uploaded onto the Internet.

This helps to ensure the safety and protection of our children and we thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation.

Collection

We never charge parents to attend events such as these but there will be a collection plate at the end of the productions should you wish to make a donation to the school. All donations will be spent on classroom resources for the children.

Year 2 – we will also be making a donation to St Mary Magdalene Church from any money raised.

STAGE

Thank you to Max and Isla's Mum who sourced a stage for the Reception and Year 1 Christmas Productions again this year.

This was very kindly loaned to us by Hawthorn Theatrical Ltd – THANK YOU!

WARWICKSHIRE ROAD SAFETY CLUB

Kate Castle, our Local Authority Road Safety Officer, visited Reception and Year 1 on Tuesday with her mascot Warwick the Bear.

She helped raise the children's awareness of safe behaviour when walking close to and crossing roads with their adult.

Kate and Warwick will be back in the summer term to work with our Year 2 children. In the meantime we look forward to having some playground markings of a road which the children can use to practice the key messages about road safety that they have learned.



INDIGO CLASS – DRUMMING



Here are children in Indigo class preparing for their Drumming Concert for parents!

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOLCHRISTMAS PARTY



Our whole school Christmas Party will be held on the afternoon of Thursday 21st December.

Please send your child into school in their normal school uniform and with a <u>named</u> bag of party clothes to change into. They will all make party hats in the morning so no headgear required!

In the afternoon, the children will change into their party clothes and enjoy party games in their classes. Later on they will all come together and enjoy a Christmas Feast in the school hall. The PTA will treat the children to their party food and drink. After a play outdoors the children will come back inside. Father Christmas has been invited to visit us so please keep your fingers crossed that he will be available to join us, he can be very busy this time of year!

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

Thank you to the PTA for organising our party again this year.



Our recent poppy appeal raised £231.29 for the Royal British Legion. Thank you to everyone who bought a poppy this year.



Thank you to our PTA for all their hard work in running this year's Christmas Fair. Lots of fun was had by all and we will let you know how much was raised as soon as possible.

Our School Council enjoyed running their stall and would like to let you know that there was a total of 57 baubles in the jar!. Well done to Eryn in Amber class whose estimate was spot on!





TESCO Bags of Help

Don't forget to vote for Telford Infant School's 'Woodland Adventure Project' if you visit a Tesco store in Leamington or Warwick throughout November or December.

You will receive a blue plastic token each time you make a purchase which you can then put into our plastic collection container in store. Make sure you cast your vote for us as there are two other community groups also wanting to win the most votes to get the full £4,000 towards their cause.

If you are not given a blue token when you buy something please ask at the checkout. If you use a self service till please ask a member of staff for your blue token. Please note that you do not need to purchase a bag to get a token.

SCHOOL CLOSURE IN THE EVENT OF BAD WEATHER OR OTHER UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES



If we are forced to close the school before the start of the school day then:

- A notice will be uploaded onto the Home Page of our school website as soon as
 possible after the decision to close has been made. http://www.telfordinfant.co.uk/
- We will endeavour to send a message to parents informing them of the closure via the school App.
- You will also find a list of school closures on the following website:

 www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures

 Warwickshire County Council offers a free service for parents to enable them to receive emergency closure texts and e-mail alerts for up to three schools.
 We strongly recommend that you register for this service by going to:

 www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures
- Local radio stations will also announce a list of school closures in the region.

In the event of us being forced to close the school during the school day then:

- We will send a message to parents informing them of the closure via the school App.
- We will put a notice on the home page of our website. http://www.telfordinfant.co.uk/
- We will send an update to the Warwickshire Council website www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL IS CLOSED THEN SMILES BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS WILL ALSO BE CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS.



DECEMBER

<u>Friday 8th 2.00pm</u> – Indigo class drumming concert <u>Monday 11th 10am</u> - Year 2 Carols at Christmas for parents at St Mary Magdalene Church Lillington.

<u>Wednesday 13th 9.15am</u> – Year 1 Christmas Production for Parents

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Monday 18th – School Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 20th 2.15pm - Reception Nativity

<u>Thursday 21st afternoon</u> - Christmas Party and visit from Father Christmas

Friday 22nd - Last day of term

JANUARY

Monday 8th – Teacher Training Day – School closed to children Tuesday 9th – Spring Term starts for all year groups Wednesday 10th - 9.15am-11.15am – Open morning for parents of children starting school September 2018 Wednesday 24th - 6.30pm SMILES Parent Forum and 7pm School Parent Forum