

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Dear Families and friends,
The time is flying past very quickly at Telford Infants and the children are having lots of fun in their learning.

The adults have been busy too and our Governing Board has already met. Mrs Sarah Boad has been re-elected as our Chair of Governors this year and our new Vice Chair is Mr David Anderson. Our outgoing Vice Chair, Mrs Cath Errington, will be stepping down at the end of this month after many years on our Governing Board. We are very grateful for everything she has done for us and we shall miss her very much.

Governors have warmly welcomed our new Clerk to Governors, Mr Charles Craft, and we are all looking forward to working with him.

Please look out for a letter from our governors with today's correspondence.

I am also very pleased to let you know that our new Teaching Assistant, Mrs Kim Clarke, has joined our Reception team this week. Mrs Clarke will be supporting across Reception (mainly based in Cherry class) each afternoon.

Have a lovely weekend,
Siân Oustayiannis - Headteacher

1st October 2021



It's a busy correspondence week - LOOK OUT TODAY FOR: LETTER REGARDING LEARNING

REVIEWS – dates and times for a Learning Review with your child's class teacher as well as instructions on how to access your child's Learning Review through TEAMS.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE - PE KITS - a link to a short parent questionnaire regarding children coming home in their PE kits on PE days.

There is also an opportunity to add any other comments about anything that is working well in school or that you feel we can improve on.

CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGN - your child's Christmas Card design and an order form that can be used to order any cards etc. should you wish.

HARVEST – letter regarding Harvest.

GOVERNORS – letter to parents and carers from our governors.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - a separate set of correspondence is being sent to parents and carers on eschools today.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Wednesday 20th October



The School photographer will be in school on Wednesday 20th October to take photographs of individual children and of siblings who attend our school. The photographer will return in June to take whole class photos.

PTA



Parent Teacher
Association

Our annual AGM has been arranged for 7pm on Thursday 7th October and will be held on ZOOM. Further information on how to join this meeting will follow.

CENSUS LUNCHES

Next Thursday 7th October we would like all children to 'try a lunch' including all children who currently bring a packed lunch to school.

The menu choice is either Beef & Tomato Fusilli or Veggie Hot Dog! All your child has to do is to let their teacher know their choice on the day during registration when meal choices are collected. All infant school lunches are free so there will be no cost incurred to you.

Please still provide a packed lunch for your child if you wish as any meal that has been ordered for them will not go to waste.

MESSAGE FOR YEAR 1

As part of our History learning, the children will be learning about changes over time and using historical vocabulary when talking about the passing of time. To support this learning please could the children bring in to school one photograph of themselves as a baby, one as a toddler, one when they were in reception and another more recent one.

These photographs will be used to create a timeline of their lives so far so no precious photographs please! Copies of photographs are also fine. Please could each photograph have your child's name written on the back.

Please send photos into school during the week of 11th October in a named envelope. Many thanks for your continued support.

MUSIC MARK



We are proud to share the news that Telford Infant School has been awarded the Warwickshire Music Mark for 2021-22. The Music Mark recognises the value we place on music in our curriculum and the hard work we undertake to ensure that our children are able to access and engage with high-quality music.

A special thank you to our Music Leader, Mrs Jarvis, Mrs Robson and all the teachers for making Music so enjoyable in our school.

NEXT WEEK IS POETRY WEEK!

To launch poetry week our English Subject leader, Mrs Shippam, has arranged for a children's poet to visit our school and to work with the children. We are all looking forward to welcoming Andy Seed on Monday 4th and you can find out more about his poetry on his official website:

<https://www.andyseed.com/>

Signed books from author Andy Seed

If you would like to purchase a signed copy one of Andy Seed's books (see below) please send the exact amount of money to cover the cost of the book in an envelope into school on Monday 4th October. On the envelope please write:

*Your child's full name

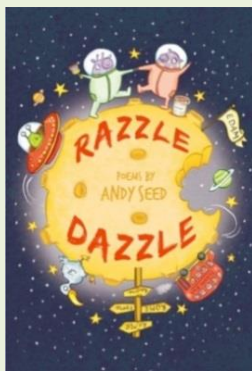
*Your child's class

*The title of the book you would like to buy

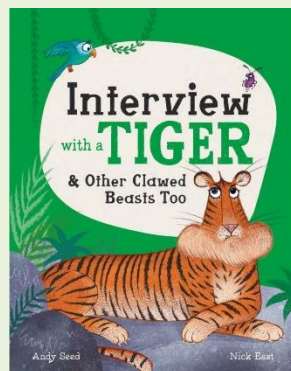
*Please enclose the amount of cash needed for your choice of book in the envelope and seal it – please provide exact money as unfortunately change cannot be given.

Your child's class teacher will hand any envelopes to Andy Seed who will then distribute the signed copies of books. Children will put these in their book bags to bring home at the end of the day.

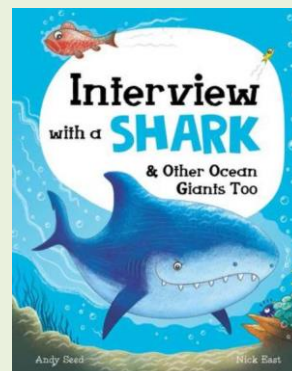
In the event of the author running out of copies of the books requested, cash will be returned.



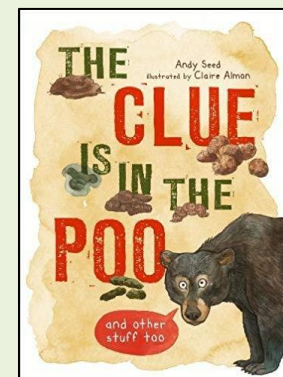
60 cheeky poems about cheese, chocolate, giant gorillas, bionic grannies, bogeymen and much, much more. Guaranteed to get children reading and giggling.
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Discover what tigers really think in this colourful fun fact book. Features interviews with a wolf, polar bear, snow leopard and other amazing animals.
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(Winner of the 2019 Somerset Teachers' Book Award)
Full colour / large format

RULES MATTER

Telford Infant School has a set of rules which the children create each July for the following academic year. They are simple but hugely effective and we all do our very best to follow these rules to make our school a safe and happy place for everyone. They underpin our School Behaviour policy which can be found on our website:

<https://www.telford-inf.warwickshire.sch.uk/web/policies>

This year's rules are below and it would be really helpful if parents and carers could discuss these rules and what they mean at home too.

RULES MATTER

1. We make safe choices.
2. We are kind, polite and use good manners with everyone.
3. We take pride and care for ourselves and everything in our school.

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

Latest Update 1st October 2021

OCTOBER 2021

Monday 4 th	Visit from children's poet Andy Seed
Monday 4 th to Friday 8 th	Poetry Week
Thursday 7 th 7pm	PTA AGM Meeting (ZOOM)
Friday 8 th	Deadline to return children's Christmas Card Designs to your child's class teacher. (Payments must be made direct to Cauliflower Cards)
Thursday 14 th	Years 1 and 2 Harvest Festival at St Mary Magdalene Church (please note that the church is not large enough for us to invite parents to this event.)
Friday 15 th 4pm	Reception Harvest Celebrations uploaded onto Reception's Tapestry
Tuesday 19 th 3.45pm-7.00pm	Learning Reviews on TEAMS
Wednesday 20 th	School Photographs – individual and siblings
Thursday 21 st 3.45pm-7.00pm	Learning Reviews on TEAMS
Monday 24 th to Friday 29 th	October Half Term

NOVEMBER 2021

Monday 1 st	School reopens for second half of the Autumn term
Monday 1 st to Friday 5 th	Art Week