# TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



# **NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents and Carers,
The children enjoyed celebrating Harvest
last week. Thank you for your very
generous donations for Harvest which have
been sent on to Warwick District
Foodbank. Thank you too to the helpers
who kept us safe during our walk to and
from church and also to Zach's Mum for
coming into talk to Year 2 about how bread
is produced.

Reception parents, I hope you enjoyed Reception's Harvest Festival as much as I did!

Happy Half Term to you all – please remember that 31<sup>st</sup> October is Teacher Training Day and that school restarts on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November. I look forward to seeing the children back and hearing all about half term!

Best wishes, Siân Oustayiannis – Headteacher

#### **DIWALI**



We are still looking for help on our Diwali Celebration day on Monday 14th November. If you celebrate Diwali and think you can help in any way we would love to hear from you – please contact the school office in the first instance.

## 21st October 2022



#### **CELEBRATION OF LEARNING**

Following on from Learning Reviews we are inviting parents/carers into school on Friday 4th November from 2.45pm until 3.30pm for a 'Celebration of Learning' event. Together with your child, you can look at their books and folders of learning and choose a piece of learning that you and your child are most proud of — awarding the learning with a celebration sticker. The children absolutely love the opportunity to spend this quality time looking at their learning with you. Your child will also be able to show you around the classroom and talk to you about the different learning activities they enjoy.

Please enter the school through the pedestrian gate which will be unlocked from 2.40pm and make your way to your child's external classroom door so that the class teacher can sign you in. Please exit through the same door and if you have another child's classroom to visit please go to their external door too rather than walking through school.

#### **CHOIR**

We have been overwhelmed by the number of children who want to join the school choir. A huge thank you to Miss Taekema who has put on another lunchtime slot to accommodate the children.

# **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2022**



After half term we shall be talking to the children about Remembrance and explaining why people wear red poppies at this time of year, at a level appropriate to Infant aged children.

If you would like your child to make a donation to the Royal British Legion and to buy a poppy at school please send in a small amount of money in an envelope marked 'POPPY' and your child's name between **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November**.

# SPECIAL LUNCH ON FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER





#### **CAN YOU HELP US?**

It is wonderful to have our army of volunteers in school working with groups of children, hearing children read, undertaking admin tasks for us, helping out with art projects etc.

We always welcome new volunteers:

\*Do you have any spare time?

- \*Would you be able to come to school to work with small groups of children, to listen to children read, to share a skill or to help with site/gardening or admin tasks? \*Could you give just half an hour at the start of the school day to hear children read?
- \*Are there any grandparents out there who would like to come in and help out on a regular basis?

If you think that you, or someone you know, would be able to offer us some time, please let the school office know. We would of course need to carry out a DBS check for anyone who will be working with the children. Thank you!

### PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Please look out for a letter in your child's book bag (one letter per family) with details of support being provided by the government's Household Support Fund. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

# **TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL - DIARY DATES Latest Update 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022**



#### October 2022

·	Half Term
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Teacher Training Day – school closed to the children

### **November 2022**

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	School reopens after the half term break
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eusebius String Quartet Performance
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Poppies sold in school
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> 2.45pm-3.30pm	Celebration of Learning
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Special Lunch – Guy Fawkes Bonfire Banquet
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 PTA Pyjama Party
	(this will be an after school event – further details to follow)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school – Diwali Day
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> after school	Show rounds for families of children starting Reception in September 2023 – please contact the school office to make an appointment.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 PTA Pyjama Party (this will be an after school event – further details to follow)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need Day
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 4pm	'Learning to Learn' Information videos for parents on Tapestry



#### **CHRISTMAS IS COMING...**

Sorry to even mention Christmas in October but we are aware that many parents appreciate lots of notice so they can arrange time off work to attend Christmas performances. Here are the dates of this year's Christmas performances - further information will follow.



Reception will perform the Nativity Story at 9.15am in the School Hall on:

Magenta Class – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Cherry Class – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Crimson Class – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

A maximum of 3 adults per child are invited to attend their child's performance. Please arrange for any younger siblings to be cared for whilst you enjoy the performance.

- ♣ Year 1 will perform their Christmas Production at 9.15am in the School Hall on:
  Amber Class Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December
  Sunshine Class Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December
  Primrose Class Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December
  A maximum of 3 adults per child are invited to attend their child's performance. Please arrange for any younger siblings to be cared for whilst you enjoy the performance.
- ¥ Year 2 will perform Carols at Christmas at St Mary Magdalene Church, Lillington on: Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 10am.
   2 guests for each Year 2 child are welcome to attend − please do not bring more guests as the church cannot accommodate greater numbers. Please note that even with limited numbers guests may need to stand. Please arrange for any younger siblings to be cared for whilst you enjoy the performance.

### Other Christmas events currently being planned...

Late November/early December – Grandparents event Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 6pm- 8pm – PTA Christmas Fair

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Reception visit to Warwick Arts Centre to see a performance of Julia Donaldson's 'Stickman'.

School Christmas Dinner

End of term - Christmas Party for the children with a visit from Father Christmas