

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,
What a busy and happy final week of the school year!

The Year 2 Leavers' production was fantastic! We are exceptionally proud of every single one of our Year 2 children and their wonderful talents. We wish them the very best of luck in their new schools and look forward to hearing how they are getting on. We also wish children in other year groups who are moving on to new schools in September all the very best for the future – well done for all you have achieved, we will miss you very much!

GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK

We are also saying Goodbye and Good Luck to a number of staff this week who are all moving on to pastures new: Ms Rachel Pope, Mrs Lucy Leech, Miss Sophie Lay, Mrs Jo Williams, Miss Georgia Yearby, Miss Lisa Perks, Mrs Nicola Pinner, Mrs Hilary Wilson, Mrs Allie Detheridge, Miss Hayleigh McAleese.

I would like to thank them all for their hard work making Telford Infant School such a special place to learn. We are looking forward to a lovely staff tea party after school today when we will share lots of happy memories of their time with us.

We also say a huge thank you to our Chair of Governors, Mr Colin Talbot, who is leaving our Governing Board this week. Mr Talbot is a very highly valued member of our Governor team, monitoring and supporting our school so that it is the very best possible place for our children to grow and learn and for our staff to

18th July 2019



work – thank you so much for everything you have done for Telford Infants, Colin.

I would also like to say a massive thank you to Natalie Corcoran who has been Chair of our PTA for the last 3 years. Natalie has worked tirelessly to raise incredible amounts of money for our school as well as giving the children lots of exciting events and treats. We are very grateful, Natalie, thank you.

WELCOME

We are thrilled to be welcoming some fantastic new members of staff in September:

Miss Una Brennan – Class teacher in Reception
Miss Maria McEnery – Class teacher in Year 1
Miss Catherine Orton – Class teacher in Year 1
Mrs Natalie Jarvis – Class teacher in Year 2

We also welcome Mrs Green back from Maternity Leave at the start of the new year – we have all missed her!

We have also made job offers to a TA Apprentice and a further TA who will support in Year 1 next year. Employment checks should be cleared by the start of the Autumn term when I will be in a position to introduce them to you properly.

Thank you to all our families for everything you have done to support Telford Infants this year. Very best wishes for a very happy summer.

Mrs Siân Oustayiannis,
Headteacher

ART WEEK



At the start of the week the children enjoyed working with other children from across the 3 year groups creating butterflies for our new entrance display – they look amazing!

Throughout the rest of the week the children explored artwork from different continents – (Reception), Asia (Year1) and Africa (Year2).

They also wrote about different works of Art and on Friday we all really enjoyed welcoming parents and carers to our Art Workshops!



**A special thank you to Mrs Twigger
for organizing such a fantastic week
of Art!**

WELCOME MEETINGS PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

At the start of the school year we hold Welcome Meetings for parents and carers when we provide information about routines and learning in your child's new year group.

Here are details of the Welcome Meetings we have arranged for Autumn Term 2019:

***YEARS 1 AND 2 WELCOME MEETING –
TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 6.00PM**

***RECEPTION WELCOME MEETING –
WEDNESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 6.00PM**

Meetings will last approximately 45 minutes to an hour

We are sorry that we are unable to accommodate children at these meetings.



Parent Teacher Association

A huge thank you to our absolutely amazing PTA who raise funds for our school and coordinate so many exciting events all year round. The hard work and enthusiasm of our Committee members and all our helpers is very much appreciated.

We can now announce that the Summer Fair made an amazing:

£3,707.32.

and we will get some matched funding to add to this amount too!

We would also like to thank everyone who has supported our requests to help school funds by signing up to the Telford Top-up, by purchasing resources from our Amazon Wishlist and supporting all the various fundraising activities held throughout the year. We are overwhelmed by your generosity and so grateful – thank you!

**Date of AGM and next PTA meeting:
THURSDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2019**

All parents, carers and staff are very welcome to attend.

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE - EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Whole School Attendance 2018-19
97.3%

MISSING SCOOTER



In previous weeks we have put a plea out for a missing scooter similar to the one in the photo. It has now been missing since just before half term in May.

The family have informed us that they believe it has been stolen and intend to notify the police.

If you have accidentally taken home a scooter please return it to one of the bike racks or to the school office - no questions will be asked.

REPORT COMMENTS

Thank you to parents who have already given feedback on their child's report through Google Forms.

The Google Forms link is being sent out again with today's correspondence.

Summer scheme to support families on Free School Meals with cost of food

Families in receipt of free school meals may be eligible to receive additional support during the summer holidays to help with the cost of food.

The [Warwickshire Local Welfare Scheme](#) helps the most vulnerable residents at times of unavoidable crisis by providing basic and essential help for food and energy.

It is recognised within the scheme that some families who are struggling financially, and are eligible for free school meals, have difficulty covering the period when their children are off school during the school holidays. This scheme is therefore an opportunity to reach and help those most in need by supporting families with the cost of food for their children over the school holiday period.

Applications for support will be taken from Monday 22nd July to Friday 30th August.

The eligibility criterion for this offer is that parents are registered for free school meals (not universal FSM) before 12th July 2019.

Applications can be made directly by yourselves.

Contact phone numbers are:
0800 408 1448
or **01926 359182.**

For more information about free school meals, go to www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



The **Summer Reading Challenge** is designed for children between the ages of 4 and 11 and is completely free. The Summer Reading Challenge theme this year is **Space Chase**.

Children taking part in the Challenge will join a super space family, The Rockets, for a thrilling mission to track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens! You can find out more by following the link below to the Summer Reading Challenge website: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Happy Reading!

TESCO BAGS OF HELP SCHEME

Thank you to everyone who collected Tesco tokens for our Woodland Adventure Project. We were awarded a grant of £4,000 to develop our outdoor area!





DIARY DATES

Latest Update 18th July 2019

JULY

Friday 19 th – 3.20pm	School breaks up for the summer holidays
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SEPTEMBER

Monday 2 nd	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 3 rd	School opens for children in Years 1 and 2
Tuesday 10 th 6pm	Years 1 and 2 Welcome Meeting for Parents
Monday 16 th	Year 2 Visit to Herbert Art Gallery
Tuesday 17 th	Year 2 Visit to Herbert Art Gallery
Wednesday 18 th	Year 2 Visit to Herbert Art Gallery
Wednesday 25 th 6pm	Reception Welcome Meeting for Parents

OCTOBER

Thursday 3 rd	National Poetry Day
Thursday 3 rd	PTA AGM and Meeting
Friday 11 th	KS1 Harvest Festival
Friday 18 th	Reception Harvest Festival
Tuesday 22 nd	Learning Reviews
Wednesday 23 rd	School Photographs
Thursday 24 th	Learning Reviews

TERM DATES 2019-220

Autumn Term 2019

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 2nd September

Term Starts: Tuesday 3rd September

Half Term: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 4th November

Term Ends: Friday 20th December

Spring Term 2020

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 6th January

Term Starts: Tuesday 7th January

Half Term: Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

Term Ends: Friday 3rd April

Summer Term 2020

Term Starts: Monday 20th April

Bank Holiday (School closed): Friday 8th May

Half Term: Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 1st June

Term Ends: Friday 17th July

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 20th July

HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED.