

Telford Infant School **Newsletter**

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WELCOME BACK, **EVERYONE!**



LOVING LEARNING

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! Telford Infant School is now in full swing and our Year 1 and 2 children have settled down happily in their new classes – it's lovely to have them back. Our Reception children are enjoying visits at their homes by their new Teachers and Teaching Assistants and will soon be attending half days. It's a very exciting time for everyone.

A huge welcome too to Miss Sophie Lay our new Year 1 teacher and a warm welcome back to Ms Lou Roberts who is now our permanent Deputy Headteacher.

More news to follow soon and please remember to visit our school website for lots of information about our school www.telfordinfant.co.uk

Best wishes, Mrs Siân Oustayiannis – Headteacher

WELCOME MEETINGS

YEARS 1 AND 2 - MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 6.30PM

RECEPTION - TUESDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 6.30PM

See next page for further details.

WELCOME MEETINGS

As mentioned at the end of last year we would like to invite you to attend a meeting to welcome you to the new school year. The aims of the meeting are:

- ♣ To provide you with an opportunity to meet the year group team
- ♣ To advise you of new routines
- ♣ To give you an overview of learning in your child's new year group
- To answer any questions you may have

Meetings will be held at the following times and will last approximately 45 minutes: YEARS 1 AND 2 WELCOME MEETINGS — MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 6.30PM - IN YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM

RECEPTION WELCOME MEETING – TUESDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 6.30PM – IN THE SCHOOL HALL

If you have twins in different classes please feel free to attend one meeting and then pop in to see your other child's class teacher. The meetings will broadly be the same in each year group.

If you have children in both Years 1 and 2 and wish to attend more than one meeting please speak to your one of your child's teachers who will be happy to help.

Please note that the meetings are for parents and carers only. We are sorry that we cannot accommodate children at these meetings.

If you have any queries please do speak to your child's class teacher.

STAR OF THE WEEK ASSEMBLY



Star of the Week assemblies will be held from 2.45pm-3.15pm on Fridays again this year. Every child will be their class star at some point throughout the year and they will be nominated for displaying one of our school Learning Powers.

A letter inviting parents and carers to attend their child's special assembly will be put in the Star's book bag the previous Friday afternoon giving you a week's notice of the assembly. Please note that assembly invitations will not be sent through the post this year.

LOLLIPOP STICK PUPPETS

Well done to everyone who made a lollipop puppet for Home Learning over the holidays. We have really enjoyed looking at the children's chosen characters and their fantastic creative skills.





PTA AGM AND MEETING THURSDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 7pm in the school hall.

Agendas are attached to this week's correspondence.

All parents and carers welcome.

CORRESPONDENCE

School correspondence is sent electronically to all parents every Thursday, unless there is a specific need to send additional information on another day.

Please ensure that the school office has up to date contact details. A folder of all correspondence is kept at the school office and hard copies of all documentation is also available on request – please just ask.



BIRTHDAY TREATS

Many children like to bring in a treat to share with their classmates when it is their birthday. If your child wishes to bring in a class treat we ask them to donate a book for their class to share and enjoy. Picture and simple chapter books can be purchased very cheaply online from websites such as 'The Book People' or at book stores such as 'The Works'.

Sometimes the children, or their parents, write a short message on the inside cover- Presented to Telford Infant School on Sophia's 7th Birthday – 27th January 2017.

To Amber Class 'Love from Alex. 6 today!

Birthday books are stamped with the official school stamp and are then shared during story time before becoming part of the class book corner library to be shared for many years to come by lots of children.

If your child has already had a birthday this term and would like to donate a book

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES





Celebration assemblies will take place on Thursday afternoons this year when we celebrate birthdays and sporting achievements.

Please send in any sporting medals, trophies, certificates etc on a Thursday for your child to show. We love to celebrate the wide range of sports that the children enjoy out of school.

SUMMER SPRUCE UP



A huge thank you to all the parents, staff, governors and children who came into school during the holiday on our Summer Spruce up days. Our band of volunteers did an amazing job and we are very grateful for their hard work and enthusiasm.

DANGEROUS PARKING AND DRIVING AROUND THE SCHOOL SITE

Every month across the UK there are around 1,100 children injured by vehicles during the school run.

The roads around our school site are an extremely a busy place at pickup and drop-off time. We encourage children and their carers to come to school **on foot** or by **bike/scooter**, **public transport** or **car-share** whenever possible. Children should dismount scooters and bikes when reaching the school site.

Telford Avenue and **Kelvin Road** in particular are very congested with traffic during the school run. We are working with parents & carers, local councillors, residents, road safety charities and the police to improve this. A particular problem is **access for the Fire Service** – if an engine cannot get through a road because of parked cars it has serious implications for everyone's safety.

If you do drive to school, we ask that you park further away from the school in one of the quieter, wider roads and walk from there. When parking, please **do** leave enough room for prams and pedestrians to get by on the pavement, particularly when opening your car doors. Please **do not** park across residents' driveways.

Mounting the kerb and parking on double yellow or zig zag lines is illegal, and may result in a parking ticket.

If you are a blue badge holder and need to park close to the school, please talk to the school offices. No other private vehicles are permitted to use the school car parks without prior arrangement.

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL TERM DATES 2017-18 (All dates are inclusive)

Autumn Term 2017

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Friday 1st September Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 4th September Term Starts for children in Years 1 and 2: Tuesday 5th September

Half Term: Monday 23rd October- Friday 27th October

Term Ends: Friday 22nd December

Spring Term 2018

Teacher Training Day (School closed): Friday 5th January Teacher Training Day (School closed): Monday 8th January

Term Starts: Tuesday 9th January

Half Term: Monday 19th February- Friday 23rd February

Term Ends: Thursday 29th March

Summer Term 2018

Term Starts: Monday 16th April

Bank Holiday (School closed): Monday7th May Half Term: Monday 28th May- Friday 1st June

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

Term Ends: Friday 20th, July

DIARY DATES



SEPTEMBER	
Monday 11 th	Years 1 and 2 Welcome Meetings for Parents
6.30pm	
Monday 11 th	Sapphire Class Learning Visit to Herbert Art Gallery
Tuesday 12 th	Turquoise Class Learning Visit to Herbert Art Gallery
Thursday 14th	Indigo Class Learning Visit to Herbert Art Gallery
Thursday 14 th	PTA Annual General Meeting followed by first meeting
7.00pm	of the new academic year.
Tuesday 26 th	Reception Welcome Meeting for Parents
6.30pm	
Thursday 28 th	National Poetry Day
September	

OCTOBER	
Tuesday 3 rd	Years 1 and 2 Harvest Festival at St Mary Magdalene
October 10am	Church (a small number of parents will be needed to accompany us – more details to follow)
Wednesday 4 th	School Photographs
Tuesday 10 th	Parent Forum Meeting
7.00pm	
Monday 16 th	Open Morning for families of children starting
9.15am-	Reception September 2018
11.15am	
Monday 16 th	Learning Reviews
3.40pm-6.20pm	
Wednesday 18 th	Learning Reviews
3.40pm-6.20pm	
Monday 23 rd -	Half Term
Friday 27 th	