

# TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



## NEWSLETTER

Dear Families and friends,  
Our thoughts are already beginning to turn to Christmas in school. It seems very early but as we break up over a week before Christmas Day this year we have even less time than normal to fit in our various events.

The best times of my week have been hearing the children practise songs for their Christmas Performances. Last year schools had to strictly limit singing due to DfE COVID restrictions so this year 'Little Donkey' has never sounded so beautiful. I can't wait until you are able to enjoy their singing too!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Siân Oustayiannis  
Headteacher

### BABY CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to Miss McEnery on the birth of her beautiful baby daughter

**Grace Olivia**

who was born on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November weighing 6lb and 12oz.

We can't wait to meet baby Grace!

**26th November 2021**



### YEAR 2 PARENTS AND CARERS ADMISSIONS TO YEAR 3 - SEPTEMBER 2022

Year 2 parents and carers, a reminder that you have until **5pm on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022** to submit an application for your child's place in Year 3 at Juniors or at a Primary school for next September.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/applying-junior-school-place>

You will receive your offer on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

Information for prospective parents looking for places at Telford Infant and Telford Junior Schools can be found on the schools' websites:

**Telford Infant School:**

<https://www.telford-inf.warwickshire.sch.uk/web/admissions-joining-our-school-2022/541880>

**Telford Junior School:**

<https://www.telfordjuniorschool.com/information-for-families-of-children-joining-the-1/>

### VOLUNTEERS

We are now accepting volunteers back into school! If you are interested in volunteering please email the school office on [admin2326@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2326@welearn365.com)

## CHILDREN IN NEED



We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who took part in our Children in Need Day. It took our School Council and Mrs Walsh ages to count all the proceeds! We raised a fabulous **£483**

A special Thank you and a huge Well Done to Ethan in Year 1 who organised a sponsored Bike ride and raised an amazing £58 which he added to the school's collection.

Well done, Ethan, we are very proud of you!

Thank you too to Mrs Marsh and all the kitchen team for our wonderful special Children in Need lunch. The Pudsey cookies were particularly popular!



## LEARNING TO LEARN

Please don't forget to check your child's Tapestry account where you will find information that was uploaded yesterday afternoon providing parents and carers with an insight into learning in your child's current year group. We hope you find this useful and if you have any queries please do contact your child's class teacher.

## CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL AT ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH, LILLINGTON



Thank you to our Telford Infant Grandparents for all the fabulous stars you have started to send into school with your grandchildren. We still need more and we look forward to receiving the ones you are working on.

When we have received all the stars, we will make them into a garland and decorate a Christmas tree that has been assigned to Telford Infant School at St Mary Magdalene Church.

The trees will be lit during the afternoon of Saturday 11th December and will stay in place until Sunday 6th January.

As the churchyard is open 24 hours, the Festival can be visited at any time. A daytime visit will be great to enable close inspection of the decorations however an evening visit would be fantastic as the lights are sparkling up to 10.00pm.

Look out for the Telford Infant tree which will be called:

**'Saving the Planet Stars'**  
**Telford Infant School**

## YEAR 1 GEOGRAPHY

As part of our Geography learning linked to 'All Around Me', the children in Year 1 have been learning to recognise human and physical features.

Last week the children went on a field trip in the local area. They were able to find and talk about the geographical features they could see and name whether they were human features or physical features. Ask your year 1 child if they can name some for you on the way to school! Thank you to the parents who supported us on our walk.

## CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES



The children are already busy practising for their Christmas productions and, provided the school does not have an outbreak of COVID, we are looking forward to welcoming you to their performances.

Please note that under no circumstances will be able to admit more than 2 adults per child performing at each Christmas production and we respectfully ask that you make arrangements in advance for younger siblings to be cared for during your child's performance.

Parents and carers are very welcome to video record and take still photographs of their **own children only** during performances. We understand that at times images of other children and/or school staff may be inadvertently captured and these must not be shared publicly, including not being uploaded onto social media.

## VACANCIES

### MIDDAY SUPERVISORS

Closing Date: 9am Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
<https://www.telford-inf.warwickshire.sch.uk/web/vacancies/313512>

Please contact the school office if you have any queries about Midday Supervisor vacancies – email:  
[admin2326@welearn365.com](mailto:admin2326@welearn365.com)

### SMILES BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB PLAYWORKERS

Closing date: 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

See flyer attached to today's correspondence

Please contact Mrs Berry our SMILES Manager if you have any queries about Playworker vacancies – email:  
[smilesclub@welearn365.com](mailto:smilesclub@welearn365.com)

## WARWICKSHIRE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CONSULTATION

A statutory consultation on Warwickshire County Council's Admissions Arrangements 2023/24 is currently being undertaken. Parents are welcome to provide feedback – please see link below:

<https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/schools/2023-entry-school-admission-arrangements>

School Organisation and Planning  
Education Services, Communities  
Directorate, Warwickshire County Council.

## NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS

Any parents who did not submit their child's consent or whose child missed the vaccination and who would like their child to be vaccinated - please see flyers attached to this week's correspondence.



## PTA



**PTA Email:** [pta.telfordinfants@gmail.com](mailto:pta.telfordinfants@gmail.com)

**PTA Facebook Group:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/telfordinfantspta>

**PTA Twitter:** @TelfordPTA

### PTA PYJAMA PARTIES

A huge thank you to our PTA for organising the Year 1 and Year 2 Pyjama Parties – we had a wonderful time!

### PTA CHRISTMAS PRESENT ROOM

Your child should have come home with a hard copy of a flyer for this event on Wednesday this week – an electronic copy is attached to today's correspondence. Please remember to drop off envelopes containing any Christmas present orders and money by end of the day on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November so that we can ensure our Present Room is fully stocked. Thank you.

### PTA AMAZON SMILE ACCOUNT

Just to remind everyone that the PTA has a Smile account on Amazon so your online shop can help to raise money for the school at no cost to you. It is so easy to set up and only takes a minute.

All you need to do is go

to <https://smile.amazon.co.uk> and choose Telford Infant School Parent Teacher Association as your charity. Or you can sign in to Amazon and go directly to this link:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1071470-0>

The PTA will receive 0.5% of all purchases you make if you make us your chosen charity.

Many thanks for your continued support.

## CHRISTMAS CHARITY



Over the past few years, following feedback from parents, we have offered an alternative to children distributing Christmas cards at school, which allows families to make a donation to a charitable cause.

In the past we have donated socks to homeless charities but this year between Wednesday 1st December and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December we will set up donation points for items for Warwick District Foodbank. Details of items that would be welcomed can be found on the Foodbank's website:

<https://warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

### GETTING HELP

The Foodbank works using a voucher referral system - Mrs Oustayiannis and our School Business Manager, Mrs Madahar, are authorised to issue vouchers to families in need. If you ever feel that your family need support please contact the school office and ask to speak to either Mrs Oustayiannis or Mrs Madahar who will treat all conversations in confidence. They know that anyone can find themselves in need of help for a number of different reasons at any time. They will need to take some basic details from you to complete the voucher. Once a voucher has been issued it can be exchanged for emergency food at your nearest foodbank centre.

# TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

Latest Update 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Please check back regularly

## NOVEMBER 2021

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Deadline for any Grandparents' Christmas Decorations – see flyer.
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	Years 1 and 2 – Celebration of Learning on Tapestry

## DECEMBER 2021

Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> pm	Reception - PTA Christmas Present Room
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> pm	Years 1 and 2 - PTA Christmas Present Room
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> 9.15am to 10am	Sunshine Class – Christmas Production 'The Landlord's Cat'. (2 adults per Sunshine Class pupil invited to attend.)
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> 9.15am to 10am	Amber Class – Christmas Production 'The Landlord's Cat'. (2 adults per Amber Class pupil invited to attend.)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> 9.15am to 10am	Primrose Class – Christmas Production 'The Landlord's Cat'. (2 adults per Primrose Class pupil invited to attend.)
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> 10am to approx 10.30am	Year 2 - Carols at Christmas at St Mary Magdalene Church (2 adults per Year 2 pupil invited to attend).
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinner
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> 9.15am to 10am	Magenta Class present The Nativity. (2 adults per Magenta Class pupil invited to attend.)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> 9.15am to 10am	Crimson Class present The Nativity. (2 adults per Crimson Class pupil invited to attend.)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Reception visit to Warwick Arts Centre to see 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> 9.15am to 10am	Cherry Class present The Nativity (2 adults per Cherry Class pupil invited to attend.)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> pm	 Christmas Party and visit from Father Christmas. Wear a Christmas jumper or your party clothes to school. Further details to follow.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> 3.20pm	School closes for the Christmas break (SMILES open as normal till 6pm)