

TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

Dear Families and friends,
It's hard to believe but we are nearly at the end of our first half term - school breaks up at 3.20pm this afternoon. We are all back to school on Monday 1st November for 7 weeks of fantastic learning before the Christmas holidays.

Have a wonderful half term, Everyone!

Siân Oustayiannis
Headteacher

ART WEEK

When we return from the half term break we shall be enjoying our annual Art Week with the School's 60th Birthday as the theme. The children will be making sculptures using recycled materials.

Thank you to our Art and Design leader, Mrs Twigger, and also to Mrs Wilson for organising our art week and inspiring us all.

If you have any old large/adult size T-shirts that you are happy to donate to school to protect our school uniforms while we get messy we would be very grateful.

22nd October 2021



PTA SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE



Parent Teacher Association

Our highly popular Second Hand Uniform Sale is back on today! It's not too late to grab yourself a bargain as the sale will be on again between 3pm and 3.30pm this afternoon in the front playground – the pedestrian gates will be open from 3pm today for this purpose

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

There were lots of big smiles for the camera on Wednesday morning this week!

Any orders for your child's school photographs need to be ordered online with Aperture before Friday 5th November for free postage back to school. Any orders received after this date will be posted directly to your home address and will incur a postage charge. Alternatively, should you wish the photographs to be sent directly to your home, please ensure you select this method and pay for postage.

HARVEST

Years 1 and 2 visited St Mary Magdalene Church last Friday for their Harvest Festival. A huge Well Done to the Year 2 children who led the celebrations and to everyone for singing so beautifully! Thank you to Mrs Robson who played keyboard for us, we all really enjoyed hearing you play. Thank you too to all the grown ups who helped walk us to and from the church safely.

Reception also celebrated Harvest through songs, rhymes and a favourite Harvest Story. Reception families can find a video of their celebration on Tapestry.



Finally, we were overwhelmed by the generosity of families who donated food items for people in need in our community at Harvest time – thank you very much indeed for your kindness.

PE KIT – Years 1 and 2

Many thanks to all the parents who responded to our recent Parent Questionnaire, it is really helpful for us to have your views.

We received 107 responses and the split between parents who would prefer children to get changed out of PE kits and back into their uniforms before coming home compared to those who are happy for them to come home in PE kits was pretty much even.

That said, when reading the comments we can see that sending children home in PE kits is likely to become more problematic as the weather changes with the onset of cold, wet wintry weather. We have therefore decided that we shall revert to getting the children changed before sending them home.

Please can you help us by making sure your child can dress themselves independently and clearly label/mark all items of clothing with your child's name.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2021



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 please send in a small amount of money in an envelope marked 'POPPY' and your child's name between Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 11th November.

THE DAD PAD

Warwickshire County Council

Warwickshire County Council is delighted to announce the launch of Dadpad. It is an evidence based app accessible to all fathers living in Warwickshire, Coventry & Solihull and is FREE of charge.

It is designed to reduce anxieties, create a strong bond and healthy attachment with your baby, build stronger family relationships and recognise when you or your partner might need to get help for your mental health.

Download the app [here](#)

COMPASS - SCHOOL HEALTH AND WELLBEING SERVICE

Warwickshire School Health and Wellbeing Service (also known as COMPASS) is available to all Warwickshire school aged children. We work closely with the school nurse team and parents and carers can also contact them directly for support with:

- *Emotional wellbeing, including stress and anxiety
- *Parenting
- *Behaviour
- *Sleep
- *Relationships
- *Eating
- *Contenance
- *Referral onto additional services

Website:

<https://www.compass-uk.org/services/warwickshire-school-health-wellbeing-service/>

Contact details:

Tel: 03300 245 204

Email:

warwickshireschoolhealth@compass-uk.org

Link to COMPASS's latest Newsletter:

<https://www.compass-uk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Newsletter-October-2021.pdf>

FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE



The Warwickshire Family Information Service is a great source of information and is brilliant for pointing you in the right direction if you need help.

Website:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies>

They have a Facebook page too:

<https://www.facebook.com/WarwickshireFIS>

You can sign up for their newsletter here:

<https://mailchi.mp/warwickshire/familyinfoservice>

WARWICKSHIRE LIBRARIES



Warwickshire Libraries are running children's activities over the half term holidays. Please follow the link below for further details.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrensactivities>


TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL - DIARY DATES

Latest Update 22nd October 2021

OCTOBER

Friday 22nd	PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale
Monday 24 th to Friday 29th	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
Wednesday 3 rd to Thursday 11th	Poppies for sale in school
Thursday 11th	Remembrance Day
Thursday 11 th 5pm-6pm	PTA event for Year 2 in school – details tbc
Friday 12th	Children in Need Day Further information to follow
	
Thursday 18 th 5pm-6pm	PTA event for Year 1 in school – details tbc

DECEMBER

Christmas 2021 at Telford Infants is currently being planned...



REMINDER - TELFORD INFANT SCHOOL TERM DATES 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021

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

Term Ends: Friday 17th December

Spring Term 2022

Teacher Training Day (School closed to pupils): Tuesday 4th January

Term Starts: Wednesday 5th January

Half Term: Monday 21st February - Friday 25th February

Teacher Training Day (School closed to pupils): Monday 28th February

Term Ends: Friday 8th April

Summer Term 2022

Term Starts: Monday 25th April

Bank Holiday (School closed): Monday 2nd May

Half Term: Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

Teacher Training Day (School closed to pupils): Monday 6th June

Term Ends: Thursday 21st July