



TEMPLE EWELL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM FOUR NO.3

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Dear Parents/Carers

You may have seen or heard about the ongoing situation with school funding on the news recently, so I am writing to let you know how these issues impact on Temple Ewell Church of England Primary School.

Although Temple Ewell benefits slightly from the new national funding formula which is being introduced this year, the small increase does not by any means cover our rising costs. Over the last few years schools have had to pay significantly more in National Insurance contributions, pensions and utility bills. This has resulted in many schools facing real financial challenges and Temple Ewell is no exception.

Our number one priority is to protect staffing. The team at Temple Ewell is amazing and it is this group of people who makes the difference to your child's education.

If we are going to protect staffing, some of the extra's such as transport, clubs and extra curricular workshops simply can't be funded from the school budget. This, I know, has caused concerns with parents this year - particularly in regards to paying towards transport for sporting events.

The matter was discussed at Parent Forum but clearly there is not a simple solution. A range of strategies was decided upon, including; fundraising, investigating different transport options and using parent transport.

I am sure you all agree that the extras make a real difference to children's learning and we would never exclude anyone because they couldn't pay.

Unfortunately this financial situation is being reflected in every school across the country and as profession trying to bring pressure on MP's to try and change things.

I am sorry end the term on such a 'sad' note but as ever I am grateful for your ongoing parental support.

Have a lovely Easter.

Regards,
Jo Hygate
Executive Head



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OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Hope

Trust

Inspiration

Acceptance

Forgiveness

Breakfast Club

Contact:

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If you would like to book your child into Breakfast Club or your child is unable to make their booked session then please contact us in the first instance.

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

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Easter Fayre
Easter Service - 9.15am
Tag Day - #BeYourSelfie for the National Autism Society
Reception Height, Weight and Vision Screening
Sports Day
Sports Day back up date
Year 6 Leavers Play 2.00pm
Year 6 Leavers Play 6.00pm
Year 6 Leavers Service (PM TBC)
School Ball at Dover Town Hall

Saturday 24th March 2018
Monday 26th March 2018
Thursday 29th March 2018
Wednesday 18th April 2018
Tuesday 3rd July 2018
Wednesday 4th July 2018
Wednesday 11th July 2018
Thursday 12th July 2018
Thursday 19th July 2018
Saturday 13th October 2018



Join us for our monthly breakfast on March 22nd from 9 - 10am in the Millennium Hall.

Take the opportunity to talk about learning and well being in a relaxed atmosphere.

Previously known as 'Inclusion Breakfast'. Inclusion is about meeting the needs of everyone! At Temple Ewell CEP we celebrate diversity and actively seek to promote acceptance and awareness. Follow Mrs Wallace on Twitter @inclusionbot for news of ways to support your children...

New dates are shown in **bold** type.



Academic Year 2017/2018 Dates

Term 4	Monday 19th February to Thursday 29th March 2018
Easter Holiday	Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April 2018
Term 5	Monday 16th April to Friday 25th May 2018
Half Term	Tuesday 29th May to Friday 1st June 2018
Inset Day	Monday 4th June 2018
Term 6	Tuesday 5th June to Friday 20th July 2018
Inset Day	Monday 23rd July 2018
Inset Day	Tuesday 24th July 2018
Summer Holiday	Wednesday 25th July to Monday 3rd September 2018
Inset Day	Monday 3rd September 2018
Term 1	Tuesday 4th September to Friday 19th October 2018
Inset Day	Monday 8th October 2018
Half Term	Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October 2018
Term 2	Monday 29th October to Wednesday 19th December 2018
Christmas Holiday	Thursday 20th December to Friday 4th January 2019
Inset Day	Thursday 3rd January 2019
Inset Day	Friday 4th January 2019
Term 3	Monday 7th January to Friday 15th February 2019
Half Term	Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February 2019
Term 4	Monday 25th February to Friday 5th April 2019
Easter Holiday	Monday 8th April to Monday 22nd April 2019
Term 5	Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 24th May 2019
Inset Day	Monday 3rd June 2019
Term 6	Tuesday 4th June to Tuesday 23rd July 2019

The Bulletin Board

Thank you!

We would like to thank the Friends of Termpole Ewell for arranging the Mothering Sunday seeded cards that came home, they were very much loved and appreciated.

After School Club Cancellations

Masterchef will be cancelled on Thursday 22nd March 2018.

Nourish School Dinners

Please be reminded our school dinner caterer, Nourish requires payment in advance of a dinner being required. Dinners cost £2.20 per day or £11.00 for the whole week. Children are to request their dinner during class registration as normal.

Entering Classrooms

Can we remind all parents/carers that you are asked not to enter classrooms at all during drop off or collection times, thank you.

No Dogs on School Premises

Please be reminded that dogs are not permitted on the school site even if being carried.

PE Kits

Could you please ensure that PE kits are brought in with your child on the first day of term. Lessons start as normal on the first day back and so your child could potentially miss vital learning time if it is not brought in.

School Gate Procedure

Can we remind parents not to let anyone in the gate who may be waiting, they need to notify the office themselves so we are aware of who is onsite.

The school gates are closed at 8:55am and will be opened again at 3:00pm for parents' collecting children.

School Hours

The school hours are 8:50am to 3:15pm. You can deliver your child to the playground from 8:40am (when staff are on duty) and collect from their class at 3:15pm. The school gates are closed at 8:55am and will be opened at 3:00pm. If someone else is collecting your child from school, please make sure the class staff or office are aware. If your child is off sick an adult needs to inform us and the nature of the illness. If your child is in late, an adult needs to come to the office and sign them in.

Medicine in School

If your child requires medication during school hours, could you please send it in pre-measured doses or sachets and if the medicine is to be kept refrigerated this will need to be sent in in a cool bag with ice packs.



**NO STOPPING
NO PARKING**
**On school zig zags between
8.30 - 9.30am and
2.30 - 3.30pm**



#BeYourSelfie

Tag Day

Thursday 29th March 2018

For World Autism Awareness Week this year we will be holding a #BeYourSelfie day on **Thursday 29th March**.

The children are encouraged to wear whatever they like and feel happy in (including school uniform as we know many children find the change of wearing own clothes to school stressful) - just be themselves! The **£1.00** donation that they bring to school on the day will be sent to the National Autism Society. The buzzword for the day is **acceptance** and the children will learn more about Autism and the gift of diversity on that day.

I will be tweeting about the day on my inclusion Twitter page @inclusionbot ... feel free to follow me!

Many thanks

Mrs Wallace

**WORLD
AUTISM
AWARENESS
WEEK**





Chlorine, the breakfast of champions!

On Friday 9th March the Dover and Deal school sports games held the annual swimming gala at Dover Leisure Centre. Once again Temple Ewell had a confident and determined team eager to retain the small schools and the large school trophies after a clean sweep in the previous year. Twelve schools from the district took part in a strongly contested competition.

All teams compete against each other in the swimming gala with the Year 5/6 children having heats then a final and Year 3/4 children competing in just the heats with a time determining an overall winner from both heats. The children are awarded points for positions in both the heats and the finals. When the scores are being determined the schools are split into small and large school category. The small schools have less than 217 pupils in them and the large schools have over 217. The small schools can compete in both trophies but the large schools cannot. Personally, I believe the split in this competition is irrelevant as the small schools have won both trophies for a considerable amount of years.

The gala traditionally starts with the Year 5/6 medley heats, representing Temple Ewell was Robert M (Backstroke) Isla J (Fly) Harry B (Breaststroke) and Freya S (Freestyle). The team settled the rest of the squad's nerves by putting a controlled display and qualifying for the final in place.

The first individual race was the year 3/4 25m Freestyle. The girl's heats were first followed by the boys. Ava S. was representing Temple Ewell. Ava being a seasoned swimmer looked relaxed and very much at home in the swimming gala. Ava won her heat comfortably and won overall as her time was the quickest from both heats. James F was next to represent Temple Ewell, he put in a strong performance finishing 2nd in his heat and 3rd overall meaning the champions had put in an assured start.

The next race was the 25m Year 5/6 backstroke with Freya S and Robert M representing Temple Ewell in this event. Freya was to go first, she like her sister is no stranger to a gala and again looked calm and collected. Freya finished her heat in 2nd and qualified for the final. Robert M put in a determined performance in an extremely quick heat. He finished 4th and again qualified for the final. The year 6s continuing the Year 3/4 brilliant start.

Event 6 was the 3/4 breaststroke with Ava and James once again representing Temple Ewell. Ava carried her outstanding form and winning her heat and winning the event overall meaning Ava is two events down with two wins. James finished his heat in first place and also won the event overall. Another superb and flawless victory for these two swimmers.

The next race was the year 5/6 breaststroke, Amelia W and Harry B were the swimmers representing Temple Ewell. Amelia put in a brave and strong performance finished her heat in 4th narrowly missing out in 3rd and a place in the final. Harry B also did extremely well and finished his heat in 3rd and booking his place in the final. Amelia and Harry scored valuable points for the team with impressive performance against a very strong field of swimmers.

Event 10 and 11 was the Year 3/4 Backstroke. Lucia and Jonson were the swimmers representing Temple Ewell. It was both of their first time in a swimming gala, it can be incredibly intimidating. Jonson finished his heat in 3rd and finished 4th overall. Lucia finished her heat in 4th and came 10th overall. Both of these swimmers claimed valuable points for team Temple Ewell.

It was Freya and Roberts turn again, this time in the 50m Freestyle. Both put in very impressive performances with Freya finishing her heat 1st and Robert finishing his heat in 2nd. Rob and Freya both qualified for the finals comfortably.

The freestyle relays were the last heat events before the finals. Ava, Lucia, Jonson and James represented in the Year 3/4 category. While Isla, Mason, Robert and Freya were Temple Ewell's Year 5/6 relay team. The Year 3/4 finished their heats in 2nd and Year 5/6 finished their heats in 1st place, again meaning we had qualified for the relay finals.

Outstanding performances in the heats meant that we had a swimmer in all but one final, which is a tremendous effort. This contributed massively to the overall teams scores.

SportingNews

The first final was the 100m Medley which was Robert, Harry, Isla and Freya. The team put in a huge effort and managed to finish in 2nd place.

Freya had little time to recover as she was up next in the 25m backstroke. Freya put in a sterling performance and managed to finish in 3rd place.

Robert was next and he was incredible, unfortunately Rob did not replicate his performance in the heats due to sheer exhaustion. Rob had been off school poorly for the three days leading up to the gala but in true Temple Ewell style he persisted through and was an integral part of our success on the day.

Harry was the next swimmer to represent the team. He found great inner strength and bettered his performance in the heats. He finished the finals in 3rd place which is no less than he deserved for his courageous effort.

Freya was back in the pool again in the 50m freestyle. The longest event of the gala which involves two lengths of the pool. Freya, like always- put in a hardy display and managed to finish in 5th place amongst an extremely talented field.

It was that man Roberts turn again, determined to keep up his hard work. Robert put in a gutsy performance finishing in 4th place narrowly missing out on 3rd.

Once again the relays were last and after two strong displays from both Year 3/4 team and Year 5/6 team placed us a strong position. Both sides were incredible with them replicating their displays from the heats. Year 3/4 went off to a flying start with Ava getting a narrow lead. Lucia brilliantly took over with a tidy change and handed over to Jonson. Jonson flew through the water effortless and handed over to James who was in 3rd with 2nd place good few metres in front. James was like a torpedo and finished the relay in 2nd place.

Year 5/6 team were determined to continue their young teams form. Isla sent Temple Ewell into a good position with an impressive leg. Mason took over smartly and swam incredibly well. He gained several positions and handed over to Robert. Robert maintained Mason's great work and swam brilliantly to change over to Freya. Freya was narrowly in second, but not for long. Freya had her steely eye focus, something we have seen before. She absolutely blasted through the water and won the relay.

The results were collected and announced with great anticipation in the air. Just like last year Temple Ewell's stunning swimming gala success continued with winning the large schools and small schools cup with a combine total of 55 points. Kingsdown were second with 49 points and Charlton third with 47 points.

Doing the double once again is a tremendous effort and sensational work from the children. The expertise and composure from Freya, Isla, James, Amelia and Ava was extremely important to not only perform well in their race but helped calm and encourage the young swimmers. Robert also helped the young swimmers but Robert impressed with his determination and resilience to work hard even though he was exhausted through illness. Harry and Mason performed brilliantly in their races and again aided in the teams' brilliant performance. Jonson and Lucia were excellent for their first gala, it can be very intimidating but they handled the pressure and occasion unbelievably.

A massive thank you to Mrs McCardle for all her hard work in preparation for the Gala. Also thank you to Mrs Childs who helped attend on the day and helped organise the swimmers into the correct race order. Lastly a big thank you to all the parents, grandparents, relatives and friends who came to support us! Up the Temple Ewell!



Arts and Crafts

Arts and Crafts After School Club - Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm

Miss Humphrey would like to run an after school club on Tuesdays consisting of art and craft activities.

This club will be aimed at KS1 children (Reception to Year 2) and will involve lots of glitter, Play Doh and making!

Please note, in order for this club to proceed we will need enough children to sign up.

The new after school club list will be available next week



Dear Parent

An easier way for you to make school payments

We are currently using +Pay on ParentMail – an online payment service which allows you to pay for school items quickly and easily on your smartphone, tablet or computer.

We will inform you about items you need to pay through ParentMail, and you will be able to pay electronically, using credit or debit cards as well as PayPal.

If you have an Android or Apple smartphone, we would highly recommend you download the free ParentMail App so that you can make easy, online payments on the go. To do this, simply search for “ParentMail” in your App store.

We will be going completely cashless from **14th July 2018** so you will need to be registered with ParentMail before this date in order to pay for school items as will no longer be accepting cash or cheques.

Please note, your bank statement will display either the school name or ParentMail, dependent on your payment method.

If you need any additional information or assistance, please use the help site: www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/ or please contact Mrs Cock in the school office.

Yours sincerely

Angela Matthews
Head of School

