



TEMPLE EWELL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM FOUR NO.1

WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back for the start of Term 4. Do check diary dates for forthcoming events, it's a busy term ahead.

Please continue, even if you are in Key Stage 2 to read with your children every evening for at least ten minutes. This is the absolute best homework and is shown to have the most positive outcomes for your children. Times table practice are also vital. The government expects all children to have instant recall of times table facts to 12 x 12 by the end of Year 4.

Regards

Jo Hygate
Executive Headteacher



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OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Forgiveness

Acceptance

Inspiration

Trust

Hope



Reminder

Would parents please note that they **MUST NOT** use the driveway at any point during the school day, including before and after school clubs.

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The Bulletin Board



Entry Through the Millennium Hall

Would parents please note that the Millennium Hall **MUST NOT** be used to enter or leave the school during the day. Should you need to come into school during the day, please use the main school gate and go directly to the school office.

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 your child is late you will need to come to the office to sign them in. If someone else is collecting your child from school, please make sure the class staff or office are aware.



BOOK SWAP

Got any old books at home that you have read?

Want to swap them for a new book?

Come to Temple Ewell's Book Swap.

Bring your books and swap them.

There will be a children's book swap table and an adults book swap table.

Thursday 3rd March 3.30 pm.

In the Millennium Hall.

Acorns Class - The Amazing Acorns topic is 'Once Upon A Time'

We will be using traditional tales as a context for learning across the curriculum. There will be opportunities to develop our skills in Music, Art, Drama, Literacy, Maths, Geography, History, Philosophy, Science, Design and Technology (including cooking)...



The children in Acorns now know Mrs Wallace's secret identity! Ask your child who she was and what evidence is there that this is true!

By learning through traditional tales the children are able to tackle moral dilemmas (stranger danger, telling the truth, making the right decision) in contexts that are familiar to them. As they often know these stories well (or have at least heard them a few times), they are in wonderful position to be able to analyse common themes and use their 'Thinking Hats' to guide their learning. They will be able to make links between similar stories from different cultures too. A common target for all of the children is to write with increased confidence this term. Retelling known stories is a great motivator for this.

Talk to the children at home about your favourite traditional tales from when you were their age. Which of the stories that we are studying are they enjoying the most too?



This term we will be writing to the Tiny Tigers at Kingsdown School and inviting them to visit us. We will also be planning a visit to Dover Castle for early in term 5. It is a short term and we have lots to learn and enjoy!

Willows Class—Life As We Know It!

A short but busy term as we jump into Literacy by exploring the jungle with Mowgli and his friends in The jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling and then continuing with this author throughout book week by exploring his Just So stories. We will also be describing characters and settings through narrative writing.



Our science topic of everyday materials continues from last term as we investigate the best materials to make an umbrella for Otto. Maths this term will include fractions, graphs and time as well as number and problem solving throughout.

Our history includes sequencing events in our lives in our own life timeline and making booklets all about ourselves and our family. Through art we will be sculpting in the style of Andy Goldsworthy.

Elms Class—Dynamic Dynasties – China and it's ancient past!

This term we are continuing to learn about China and its ancient civilizations, we will be looking at how Chinese culture has developed over time and influenced other cultures.

Our Literacy will be themed around stories written by Enid Blyton to link with our Book Week activities. The children will build up to writing a new adventure for one, or a group of her characters!

In Maths we are continuing to develop both our mental and written calculation skills through real life problem solving. We will be exploring themes such as fractions, measures and time as well as the four operations (+, -, x and ÷).

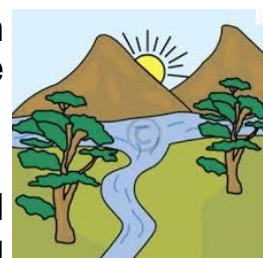
Forces and Magnets

The force will be with us in Elms as we learn about forces and magnets - will be investigating the properties of magnets as well as where magnets are used in our school and homes. The year 2 children will be continuing to learn about living things and their habitats.

Saints and their qualities is our focus within R.E. lessons this term; we will be exploring different saints including Saint Peter and Saint Francis and finding out why they became saints. The year 2 children will be exploring the theme of Easter.

Sycamores—Raging Rivers

Sycamores will be exploring the life of rivers this term. Using them as inspiration for our Literacy, topic and Science. Learning about the water cycle and where rivers are formed.



During Literacy this term we will be taking a close look at the author Neil Gaiman. Learning how he created haunting stories, full of adventure and trying out suspense and drama in our own writing.

In Numeracy we will putting fractions into action. Becoming fluent in fractions and equivalent fractions and decimals. And using them in real life problem situations.

In Science we will also be learning about solids, liquids and gases and how we can change the state of certain materials in different ways.

As well as all this we will be practising for the singing festival in Dover and our annual year 4/5 Easter play.

Oaks—Anglo Saxons

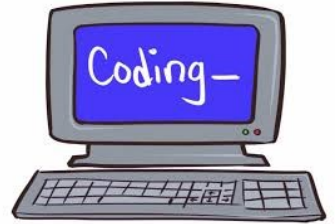
Jewels and Anglo Saxon treasures are what it is all about in Oaks this term, as we continue to study these Ancient Settlers. The topic will involve making Anglo Saxon jewellery in clay and learning more about the legend of King Arthur.

In Literacy we are studying different styles of writing, such as instructions, recount and report writing.

We are also learning about the story of King Arthur and writing our own legendary stories.

During Mathematics lessons, Oaks class will be finding symmetry and rotation in different shapes (useful for their Anglo Saxon brooch designs), working out area and perimeter of shapes.

Also in our Computing lessons we are continuing to explore the work of coding and learning more ways to stay safe online from our “digital leaders” Ciaran and Evey.



Note from The Sports Council—Sport Relief Tag Day



On the **18th of March 2016** Temple Ewell school are holding a tag day to raise money for sport relief.

To dress up you have to bring in **£1.00**

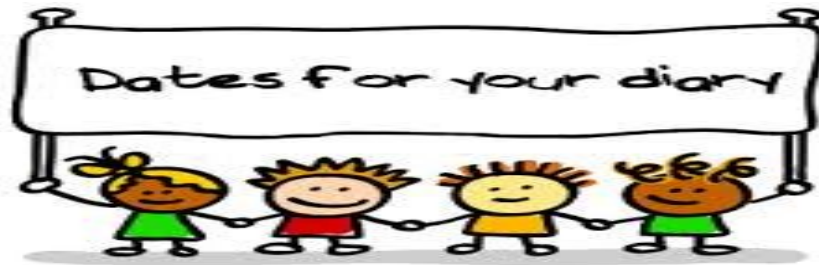
What to wear...

You will need to dress up as your favourite sporting hero, such as Usain Bolt or Andy Murray, whoever you want!!!

All the money we
raise will be going
to sport relief!



Temple Ewell
Church of England Primary School



PTFA Meeting 6:30pm	Wednesday 2nd March 2016
World Book Day and Book Swap	Thursday 3rd March 2016
Book Week Dress-up Day	Friday 4th March 2016
Club List to Parents ~ Terms 5/6	Week Commencing Monday 7th March
Dance Festival 12:00 noon to 5:30pm	Tuesday 8th March 2016
Dance Festival 3:00pm ~ 5:30pm	Wednesday 9th March 2016
Chocolate Tag Day	Friday 11th March 2016
Healthy Schools Team Yr.R/Yr.6	Thursday 17th March 2016
Hindleap Trip	Monday 14th—16th March 2016
Film Night 3:15pm ~ 5:15pm	Tuesday 22nd March 2016
Easter Fayre	Saturday 19th March 2016
Easter Service	Monday 21st March 2016
Easter Theme School Dinner	Thursday 24th March 2016
Easter Holidays	Friday 25th March—Friday 8th April 2016
Children Return to School	Monday 11th April 2016
School Class Photos	Wednesday 13th April 2016
Year 4/5 Natural History Trip	Tuesday 19th April 2016
French Trip	Thursday 19th May 2016
Half Term	Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June 2016
Inset Day	Monday 6th June 2016
Summer Fete	Saturday 25th June 2016
Summer Holidays	Monday 25th July—Friday 2nd September 2016

New dates are shown in bold type.

Name _____ Date _____

Multiply and Match

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5X7=

5X6=

5X5=

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5X4=

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Academic Year 2016/2017 Dates

Inset Day	Monday 5th September 2016
Term 1 2016	Tuesday 6th September 2016 to Friday 21st October 2016
Half Term	Monday 24th to Friday 28th October 2016
Term 2 2016	Monday 31st October 2016 to Friday 16th December 2016
Christmas Dinner	Wednesday 7th December 2016
Inset Day	Monday 19th to Wednesday 21st December 2016
Christmas Holiday	Thursday 22nd December 2016 to Monday 2nd January 2017
Term 3 2017	Tuesday 3rd January 2017 to Friday 10th February 2017
Half Term	Monday 13th to Friday 17th February 2017
Term 4 2017	Monday 20th February 2017 to Friday 31st March 2017
Easter Holiday	Monday 3rd to Monday 17th April 2017
Term 5	Tuesday 18th April 2017 to Friday 26th May 2017
May Day	Monday 1st May 2017
May Bank Holiday	Monday 29th May 2017
Half Term	Monday 29th May 2017 to Friday 2nd June 2017
Inset Day	Monday 5th June 2017
Term 6	Tuesday 6th June 2017 to Friday 21st July 2017



Safer Internet Day - Ciaran and Evey Yr6

On Tuesday 9th February (Safer Internet Day), we went to Maidstone Police Training Centre to take part in the Young Digital Leader's event.

First we booked in at the office and then we went through to the other room to get our team colour (we were blue - it matched our uniform!). Afterwards we went into a big cinema room to watch some e-safety videos, then we had a talk from the Chief Crime Investigator.



Next we went back to the first room and talked about finding your IMEI number for your phone. You have to put *#06# into your keypad and it gives you a number for your phone. If it is then stolen, you can call the police and give them the number and they will be able to track your phone. We also learnt about how not to walk around with your phone texting or calling, because people can come and snatch the phone straight out of your hands.

The next session was learning about how to stay safe online by not giving out your personal details and information on websites and social media sites.

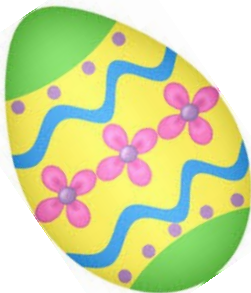
Finally we went back to the cinema area and we played a game and got a pen and a badge called 'Digital Leader'; it was great!!

On our way out we received a bag that said Kent Police and a guide for parents to keep their family safe online. We also got different goodies and an activity book to do with our families.

We will be sharing what we learnt with each of the classes this term. **Remember type this on your phone *#06# to find your IMEI number!**



we've got it covered



Easter Theme School Dinner Thursday 24th March 2016

Welsh Lamb Burger in a Bun

or

Vegetarian Quiche

Chips

Coleslaw

Barbeque Bake Beans

Crispy Easter Egg Cake

Please send your child's payment into school in a sealed named envelope, clearly marked with '**Easter Theme Dinner**'

