



## TEMPLE EWELL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

TERM FIVE NO.2

WEDNESDAY 2ND MAY 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Our teachers have two busy terms planned for the children for the end of the academic year. Please take a look at the 'Topic Write Ups' in this newsletter to find out what your child will be learning over the coming weeks.

There are many events organised for these terms too, remember to check the dates page of each newsletter to keep up with what is happening at the school.

To celebrate the wedding of Prince Harry to Meghan Markle we will be having a special school picnic at lunchtime on the field on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. There will be no hot meals that day but our catering company can provide packed lunch for all Key Stage One children and those entitled to free school meals. If your child would like one of these packed lunches could you please complete the ParentMail option within the shop section. Packed lunches will only be provided for those who have requested it to reduce unnecessary wasted food.

Regards,

Angela Matthews

Head of School



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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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PTA meeting - 6.00pm	Thursday 3rd May 2018
Class photographs	Friday 11th May 2018
KS2 SATs Week	Monday 14th May - Thursday 17th May 2018
<b>Whole school Royal wedding picnic</b>	<b>Friday 18th May 2018</b>
KS1 SATS Week	Monday 21st May - Friday 25th May 2018
Parent Drop In	Thursday 24th May 2018
<b>Yr. 5 secondary school meeting 3.30pm in Oaks class.</b>	<b>Tuesday 5th June 2018</b>
Year 1 Phonics screening	Monday 11th June - Friday 15th June 2018
<b>Bottle Tag Day (bring a bottle for the Fayre)</b>	<b>Friday 22nd June 2018</b>
Summer Fete	Saturday 30th June 2018
Sports Day	Tuesday 3rd July 2018
Sports Day back up date	Wednesday 4th July 2018
Year 6 Leavers Play 2.00pm	Wednesday 11th July 2018
Year 6 Leavers Play 6.00pm	Thursday 12th July 2018
Reports to parents	Friday 13th July 2018
Year 6 Leavers Service - 2.00pm	Thursday 19th July 2018
School photographs	Thursday 27th September 2018
School Ball at Dover Town Hall	

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



## Academic Year 2017/2018 Dates

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

## After School Club Cancellations

Masterchef will be cancelled on Thursday 24th May 2018.

## School Gate and Onsite Procedure

The school gates are closed at 8:55am and will be opened again at 3:00pm for parents' collecting children, **please sign in at the school office if you are entering the school premises before 3.00pm.**

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.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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 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**



## **Acorns term 5 and 6**

### **Once upon a time (Term 5)**

This term, acorns will be exploring all things magic, legend and story with traditional fairy tales. We will be looking at the story of the Three Little Pigs, Little Red Riding Hood and Jack and the Beanstalk as well as many others. But wait! Who is the villain in these stories? Every story has two sides to it! We will be investigating the other side of each of these key stories and how different people have different opinions.

In science we will be exploring and investigating all things materials! With a kick start of the Three Little pigs building houses. Why did they choose these materials? What was it that made the big pig's house better than the other's? What other materials could they have used? What else could they have built using their materials? All questions we aim to answer this term!

All of the Acorns are maths wizards and will be continuing to master numbers and moving onto multiplication, division and fractions.

### **Superheroes! (Term 6)**

Everybody loves a good superhero and this term Acorns will be finding out all about how we all have super powers! Whether it is the super power of running fast, the super power of writing amazing stories or the super power of being an amazing friend!

We will be inviting in real life heroes that help us, such as doctors and nurses, firemen and women, policemen and women and life guards! I bet we can think of some brilliant interview questions for these heroes.

With great power comes great responsibility and we will be making sure we are all responsible children as we look after our own bodies. We will be exploring all the ways our body works and how we can keep healthy.

Our super maths will be the final push at the end of the year to conquer time, money and place value.

Please come and talk to us if you want to find out more. We will be sending home class newsletters to keep you informed with any important information when necessary and also events that are coming soon.

## Willows - Term 5 - Once Upon a Time!

### Traditional Tales.

Once upon a time in a far away land there lived a class of adventurous children who went for a walk around a school when they met..... ..who knows? The children will be deciding how this story develops when they write their own versions of traditional tales. They will also be choosing which traditional tale character they would like to be and then writing letters to other characters inviting them to visit. We will be using different software programmes to make digital books of the traditional tales.

Our role play area this term is a castle and through drama the class will be using the castle to retell some of their favourite traditional tales. Continuing the theme of castles through history we will be researching kings, queens and knights of the realm, designing suits of armour and shields.

Science this term looks at seasons and the changes.

Term 5 also means SATs for all Year 2 children which will be during the week beginning 21st May. If you have any questions about these please do not hesitate to make an appointment with Mrs D Tidey to discuss any queries you may have.

## Willows - Term 6

### Heroes and Villains

Watch out! Calling all heroes and villains ready for a new adventure.

This term the children will be reading, designing and making their own heroes and villains through writing adventures and making wanted posters to help catch those dastardly villains trying to destroy the world! Our role play area this term will be a hero and villain lair.

We will be solving mathematical problems using the hero and villain topic.

Our significant individual focus for history this term will be Wonder Women which includes Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole linking the importance of a nurses' roles and hygiene in war. We will also be writing a Florence Nightingale diary.

We continue our science topic of seasons and plants, growing an variety of different plants.

In art and design and technology the class will be designing their own hero or villain logo and costumes and looking at the artist Andy Warhol to produce their own T-shirt with their own designs added using fabric pens.

**If possible could you provide a named plain white T-shirt for the children to do their designs on as soon as possible at the beginning of term 6 please. When complete the children will be able to take their T-shirt home.**

As we move towards the end of term through RE we will be continue to learn about Judaism and we will be visiting a Jewish synagogue.

## Elms

### Excellent Elizabethan and Tudor Times!

During terms 5 and 6 Elms are sailing back to Tudor times learning about life in Tudor times, as well as focusing on the life of Elizabeth I and the ins and outs of the Spanish Armada.

Whilst learning about the Tudors we will be developing our letter and diary writing skills and increasing our descriptive vocabulary.

In Mathematics we are learning about the following topics:

Geometry: Exploring the properties of 2D & 3D shapes as well as position and direction

Measurement: time, mass, capacity and temperature Fractions

Recapping on written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

Within R.E. we are exploring the Kingdom of God and trying to answer the big question:

‘When Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?’

Our Science work is focused on developing our scientific investigative skills whilst exploring different parts of plants and their functions. We are also growing our own seeds to then grow and harvest in the school allotment.

## Sycamores

### **Project Puffin**

This term the splendid, sensational Sycamores are going to be ecologists. We are going to be watching, monitoring and understanding a colony of puffins that live on the islet of Burhoo. We will find out where, what and who the puffins do to survive in the Atlantic Ocean. Also, we will be investigating how the puffin colony and other sea bird colonies are conserved by the Alderney Wildlife Trust.

Can we learn how can we help to conserve our own local wildlife?

During Topic we will explore the features of our coastlines. How they're formed and how they are maintained. As well as looking how the coastline of Kent has changed over the years and its future uses.

Maths will continue with problem solving and real life challenges using the puffins as inspiration. Literacy will be focused on understanding the grammar in our writing; using Fronted Adverbials, Noun phrases and relative clauses with confidence.

## Oaks

### Temples & Tortillas: The end of the Aztecs

Sombreros all round as we journey into the deepest and darkest parts of Mexican history. The intrepid explorers in Oaks will begin by learning about the ancient Aztecs - a fierce tribe of people who dominated northern Mexico at the time of the Spanish conquest in the early 16th century.

This topic will involve map reading, food tasting and even some dressing up to experience life as an Aztec. We'll even use our Computing skills to record our facts using HTML code!

In Mathematics, the children will be solving money, time and multi- step problems. The class have already begun testing their Aztec sundials, with some demonstrating amazing accuracy at telling the time to the nearest minute! The class will also be researching modern day Mexico, this will involve calculating the cost of travelling to Mexico; working out baggage allowances and what might be needed to pack in preparation for the different temperatures!

During Literacy lessons, the children will be writing in role, redrafting and improving their work and using literary techniques to describe different events that have happened in the past. Many of the Year 5 children have already completed some extremely creative Aztec stories which are on display in our classroom!

In Science, the children are learning about Earth and Space, they have already been researching facts about each planet in our Solar System. They have also made mobiles displaying the size differences of each of the planets! We will be delving deeper into our topic to uncover what the Aztec civilisation believed about the Earth? Did they think it was flat? Were there names for the different planets even?

A busy couple of terms!