



TEMPLE EWELL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM ONE NO.2

WEDNESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to all of our new Reception children who joined our Temple Ewell family last week. It has been wonderful to see you settling in so well into Acorns class and enjoying your new learning.

All of our children are now fully engrossed in their curriculum work for this term. Each of our classes has an exciting term ahead with plenty of fun activities and learning planned. For more details about what each class have in store, please take a look at the 'topic write up' section of this newsletter.

The children in Year 1-6 had a fantastic trip to Dover cinema on the first Friday of term. They thoroughly enjoyed watching Christopher Robin and although we didn't manage to spot Isabella in Year 6 in the film we still presented her with a well-deserved actor's bouquet and gift from the cinema. Well done to Isabella!

Our Harvest Festival will take place in the Church on Tuesday 9th October at 9.15 am. Please can children bring in goods for the Foodbank (see separate list) on Friday 5th October as the Church will be holding their own service on Sunday 7th October.

Our Friends (PTFA) AGM takes place on Thursday 27th September in the Millennium Hall at 3.30 pm; everyone is welcome!

Regards,

Angela Matthews

Headteacher



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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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Jeans for Genes Day - £1 donation	Friday 21st September 2018
Author visits Years 2- 6	Wednesday 26th September 2018
School photographs	Thursday 27th September 2018
PTA AGM meeting - 3.30pm	Thursday 27th September 2018
School Ball at Dover Town Hall	Saturday 13th October 2018
Parents Evening 3.30 - 5.30pm	Tuesday 16th October 2018
Parents Evening 4.30 - 7.00pm	Wednesday 17th October 2018
Tissue and Pritt Stick Tag Day	Friday 19th October 2018
Writing Learning Together Workshop 9 - 10.00am	Tuesday 6th November 2018
Writing Learning Together Workshop 9 - 10.00am	Wednesday 7th November 2018
Children In Need Day (details TBC) - £1.00	Friday 16th November 2018
Infant Nativity 2.00pm	Tuesday 4th December 2018
Infant Nativity 2.00pm	Wednesday 5th December 2018
Infant Nativity 9.15am	Thursday 6th December 2018
Save The Children Christmas Jumper Day - 50p	Wednesday 12th December 2018
School Christmas lunch	Wednesday 12th December 2018
Christmas Tombola Tag Day	Thursday 13th December 2018
Parent Drop Ins	Friday 14th December 2018
Flu Vaccinations Years R – 5	Friday 14th December 2018
Carol Service followed by Christmas Fair	Tuesday 18th December 2018

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



Academic Year 2017/2018 Dates

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
Half Term	Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2019
Inset Day	Monday 3rd June 2019
Term 6	Tuesday 4th June to Tuesday 23rd July 2019

The Bulletin Board

Breakfast Club

Please may we remind you that breakfast club starts at 7.45am, children are not to be on site earlier. From September Miss Harris will be running Breakfast Club along with Mr L. Following the recent ParentMail, we will now invoice monthly.

Foreign Currency

Please can you put a shout out for any old pre-decimal or foreign currency to be donated to the school after the summer holidays please - we can have it transferred to cash for the PTA

<https://www.cash4coins.co.uk/exchange-pre-decimal-coins/>

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.

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 1. Ourselves.

Welcome to our new Acorns! This is a very exciting time for both our very grown up Year 1 Acorns and our new Acorns who have just started. This term we will be all about settling in to our new class, getting to know each other and getting to know our school.

We will be exploring our Golden rules and what is meant by each of them; 'We are gentle', 'We are kind and helpful', 'We listen', 'We are honest', 'We work hard' and 'We look after property'.

We will also be exploring our school ethos of 'Forgiveness', 'Acceptance', 'Inspiration', 'Trust' and 'Hope'. Within R.E we will be asking the question "What do Christians believe God is like?".

Through our topic we will be looking at our school and the local area, alongside looking at the church that we will be visiting for our harvest festival in October.

As the term progresses and we get to know each other, we will kick start our phonics with place value, addition and subtraction as well as looking at our senses in science!

Term 2. Toys.

Having been at school a whole term together in Acorns class, this term we are all practically experts at how school works now. We will be kicking off this term with the topic of 'Toys', alongside setting up our very own toy shop. This term is full of fun as we look at a wide variety of toys and the materials they are made from in science. We will also be designing and making our very own bug hotel!

Our maths focus for the term will be all about geometry. I wonder how many different shapes can be found on a toy car or a dinosaur? We will be delving into writing our own labels, captions, instructions and cards alongside making lists and checking them twice! In R.E we will be asking the big question "Why does Christmas matter to Christians?"

Which leads us onto Christmas! All of Key Stage 1 will be performing a Nativity play this term and I am sure that they would love to show off their singing and acting skills to their grownups.

Please come and talk to us if you want to find out any more. We will be in contact soon to keep you informed with any important information and also events that are coming soon.

Willows Term 1 September 2018

Fire! Fire!

It's all about fire this term where Willows will be learning about the Great Fire of London and Samuel Pepys, fire safety and The Gunpowder Plot.

We will be practising our joined handwriting and through literacy and history we will be writing a range of poems reflecting our learning on our topics, writing diaries, information fact cards, newspaper reports, and designing posters. Our role play area will be Samuel Pepys house.

In maths we will be exploring number, place value and adding and subtracting numbers as well as problem solving.

E-Safety will be our main focus in computing but we will also be learning about using a range of different software packages to create pieces of work across the curriculum.

RE is Harvest festival time as well as learning some of the stories starting from The Creation.

Through science we will be exploring humans and animals and finding out about healthy living and exercise.

Willows Term 2 November 2018

Toys R Us!

Toys! Toys! Toys! Christmas is on its way! A busy term with KS1 presenting this year's Christmas nativity production all about the birth of Jesus and in RE exploring Why Christmas Matters to Christians.

Literacy is all about writing letters of persuasion to Father Christmas. Poems about animals, toys and Christmas and writing Christmas present lists.

Toys in History is all about comparing old and new toys and reading Old Bear Stories

As our topic is toys we will be exploring and playing games and using controllable toys through computing, looking at algorithms of instructions and evaluating each game and toy.

This term Science and Geography are linked looking at Living things and finding out what each animal needs to survive in their habitat.

We will be developing our number, place value and addition and subtraction further in our maths problem solving and we will be exploring these skills using money. We will be measuring ingredients to make Christmas treats. Our role play area will be a toy shop where we can practise using money to buy toys and give change.

Our Art topic will be focused around Christmas and we will be exploring the techniques of appliqué and embroidery.

Elms

Term 1

Rotten Romans are the focus for our learning during terms 1 and 2, where possible lessons will be linked to this theme. We will be looking at how the Romans changed Britain and the impact they had. We will examine where they conquered and their homelands. Mosaics will be the inspiration for our art work.

Within English we will be focusing on building the children's use of description whilst reading and learning about a range of different texts. We will begin the term by creating our own list poems using a variety of stimuli which will culminate in a poem for the Harvest festival. We will also look at short stories and nonfiction books linking to our Romans theme. When reading with your children it would be helpful if you could draw their attention to powerful language and the impact it has.

Place value, counting, sequencing and addition and subtraction are our main priorities within mathematics until Christmas. Developing a quick recall of number bonds will be an essential aspect to this work- it would be helpful if you could practise this at home.

In science we are exploring animals and humans. In term one we are focusing on animals, their life cycles and needs. In term two will focus on humans and how they change as they develop, nutrition, body parts and their functions.

'Who made the world?' is the big question we will be unpicking during our RE lessons.

Sycamores

The new Super Sycamores are going to be immersed in the rainforests of the world. We are going to find out: where rainforests can be found; what can be found there; the weather conditions and why they are so important to the whole planet. We will also be finding out the different habitats that can be found between the different layers of the forests. The rainforests will inspire our writing using descriptive writing and explanation texts.

As well as exploring the rainforests we are going to be historians looking into the ancient civilisation of the Mayans. Finding out: who they were; where they were and how they have influenced our lives today? The Mayans told many myths which we will learn and use to create our own.

In numeracy we will be expanding our knowledge of numbers and digits, solving real life problems in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, using decimals and money.

During science we will be investigating how light and sound works, how it travels and how we can (and do) use them. The rest of the term will be electrifying! The whole class will be working safely with electricity to design and make our own torches. Hopefully we will find some budding electrical engineers.

Peaky Pyramids and Freaky Pharaohs

Oaks

We begin our learning journey on the banks of the River Nile where Literacy lessons will be based around stories from Ancient Egypt which have been passed down over the last 4,000 years. We will be writing extensively and this term we will be focussing particularly on grammar and punctuation. In mathematics we will be working with decimals, rounding large numbers, fractions and converting measurements. (These themes will all help with the topic this term!)

Exploring tombs, unwrapping mummies, and searching maps and timelines are some of the activities we have planned during this term which hopefully will excite and engage our young explorers. There may even be some amazing discoveries rather like Howard Carter's in our history and geography lessons!

What did Ancient Egyptians eat? What were their jobs and why did they live by the Nile? These are already some of the amazing questions that have been asked in the class. The children have eagerly written on our working wall the questions they would like to research and answer over the coming weeks.

We plan to have an Egyptian feast too, where we will wear our jewellery designs that we will have made in Art and we will be able to celebrate our Egyptian houses which we will have designed and made in our DT lessons.

As usual, a busy time in Oaks this term, welcome to Year 5 & 6!

Class Topic Write Ups

**Sponge Puddings
Dried & UHT Milk
Fruit Juice - Long Life
Tinned Custard
Pasta Sauce
Sugar
Tinned Fish
Can Openers
Washing Up Liquid
Toothpaste**

