



Temple Grafton

Church of England Primary School

4th May 2018

DIARY DATES

MAY

Mon 7th

BANK HOLIDAY

Tues 8th 4pm

Harlequin Drama show

Thurs 10th 4pm

Harlequin Drama show

Fri 11th

PTA Film Night

Mon 14th - Thurs 17th

Y6 SATs

Thurs 17th 3.45 -

5.30pm

Y5/6 girls football

tournament at Alcester

Town FC

Wed 23rd 5pm

Class 4 Parents PGL

information meeting

Mon 28th - Fri 1st

HALF TERM

JUNE

Mon 4th

TRAINING DAY

Fri 8th

PTA Film Night

Sat 9th

Massive Mini Church at

Coventry Cathedral

Class 2 will be sharing their

learning in Celebration

Assembly on Friday 11th

May at 2.45pm

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Save the Date - Class 4 PGL meeting

On Wednesday 23rd May at 5pm we will be holding a meeting for Class 4 parents to share information about the residential trip to PGL.



Congratulations!

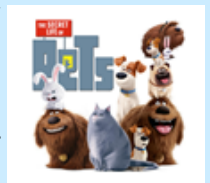


Last term TG children were invited to enter the Bidford Community Library competition. We are delighted to have been informed that five of our children's entries have been selected and their designs have been turned into artwork which will be displayed in the children's corner of the library. Well done to Georgina, Ella, Jessica, Amelia and Anastasia!

PTA Film Night

After the success of our inaugural film club in March we are running our next one on Friday 11th May. Hopefully you will have seen details on our lovely posters dotted around the school site.

The planned film is **The Secret Life of Pets**, however we will notify you if there are any last minute changes. The film is an animation, is suitable for all ages and will run from 3.35pm until 5.30pm. We are aware that this date clashes with the All Stars Cricket, however we will ensure that film club finishes promptly at 5.30pm to allow plenty of time for children to get to cricket by 6pm.



After the film, children will be invited, if they wish, to submit a short review with prizes awarded for the best reviews from each key stage.

We are asking for a £3 donation per child to attend and refreshments will be provided.

If your child/children would like to come along, please send payment in a marked envelope to the school office by Friday morning at the latest.

If we do not have notification by Friday morning that your child would like to attend, your child will be brought out to the playground as usual for collection at 3.30pm on Friday. The children who are attending film night will be taken straight to the hall.

Sporting Stars



On Monday after school our KS2 girls' football team played their league match against Claverdon. Thanks to an early goal from Amelia and some superb defending by our goalkeeper, Sophie, TG won the match one nil. Congratulations to Sophie, who was named player of the match by the Claverdon team!

Attendance and Term Time Absence

At Temple Grafton, we are very keen to ensure that all children attend school regularly. As you are aware, it is important for your child's friendships and academic progress. In addition, it is proven that good attendance is linked with academic success. Please read through the information printed on the back of the newsletter which has been provided by Warwickshire on taking leave of absence during term time. We would ask that all families support us in our commitment to ensuring that we continue to enjoy high levels of attendance at TG.





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LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of *Platt v Isle of Wight Council* which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, Head Teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance will result in the absence being recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.

Star of The Week

Douglas Kent	Class 1
Daisy-Low Broadhurst	Class 2
Maya Undery	Class 3
Rufus Neal &	Class 4
Hugo Oxby	