

# TG SCHOOL NEWS

W/C 27TH JAN  
2025

## YOUR WEEKLY 'WHATS ON' AT TEMPLE GRAFTON!



### THIS WEEK...

WE ARE THRILLED TO SHARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS AND UPDATES FROM THIS WEEK!

ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, THE CHILDREN HAD AN INCREDIBLE TIME PARTICIPATING IN THE PLAYGROUND OPERA. IT WAS A TRULY ENRICHING AND ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE, AND WE ARE DELIGHTED TO HAVE BEEN PART OF IT.

IN OTHER EXCITING NEWS, WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT OUR BREAKFAST CLUB VACANCY HAS BEEN FILLED. PLEASE JOIN US IN GIVING A WARM WELCOME TO MISS SHELDON, WHO WILL BE JOINING OUR TEAM SOON. 😊

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. HAVE A FANTASTIC WEEKEND!

### STAR'S OF THE WEEK

CLASS 1 - ATTICUS  
CLASS 2 - CHRISTINA  
CLASS 3 - JASMINE  
CLASS 4 - JESSICA

### CROSS COUNTRY....

WE'D LIKE TO SAY A HUGE WELL DONE TO ALL THE CHILDREN THAT TOOK PART IN THE CROSS COUNTRY AT STRATFORD HIGH ON SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY, YOU WERE ALL AMAZING - HUDSON, CHARLIE T, NATE, TOM, COBIE, PETE, LEXI & ABEL.

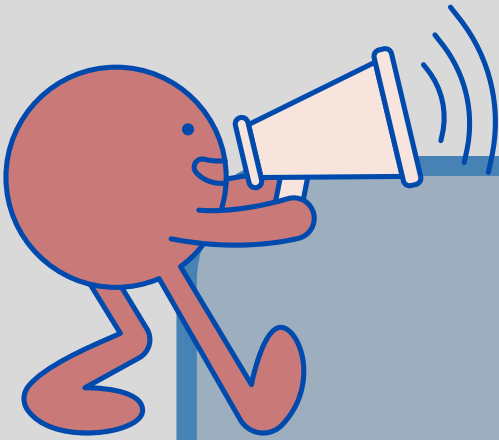
### \*\*\*PARKING REMINDERS\*\*\*

IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION ABOUT INCONSIDERATE PARKING. CAN WE PLEASE TRY AND PARK SENSIBLY AND SAFELY, KEEPING THE CONED AREA CLEAR, NOT BLOCKING DRIVEWAYS OR PARKING OPPOSITE THEM. LETS KEEP OUR TG FAMILY SAFE!

**CARS AND KIDS DON'T MIX**  
Please park away  
from our school



# REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK



## CLASS 1

**Wednesday** - Forest School Kit - Warm layers, (Wellies to be kept in school)  
Ensure PE Kits are back in school please

## CLASS 2

**Tuesday & Thursday** - PE Kits  
**Friday** - Forest School Kit - Warm layers, waterproofs & wellies



## CLASS 3

**Monday & Wednesday** - PE Kits  
**Tuesday** - Forest School Kit today please.

## CLASS 4

**Monday & Wednesday** - PE Kits  
**Thursday** - Year 5/6 Girls Football Match  
St Marys Studley, Collect at 3.15pm



# SCHOOL CLUB SCHEDULE - SPRING 1

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3.30-4.30pm	Mindfulness Monday Class 1 & 2 with Mrs Campbell (4 Weeks Starting 20.01.25)	Onside Football with Richard Year 3-6 (6 Weeks, starting 07.01.25)		Black Box Tuition - Drama in School Hall (Starting 09.01.25)  Girls Football Years 3-6 with Mrs Campbell (5 weeks starting 16.01.25)	
3.30 - 4.45pm	B'Arty with Olivia Class 3 ( 5 weeks starting 13.01.25)				
3.30 - 5pm		S J Academy Drama - In Village Hall (Starting 07.01.25)	S J Cheerleading in Village Hall (Starting 08.01.25)		
5-6pm		S J Dance & Gymnastics In Village Hall			
Lunchtimes		Choir with Simon Kemp - In Class 4		TT Rock Stars Club with Mrs Brocklebank	Lego Club & Chess Club with Class 2 Junior Maths Homework Club - Class 4

## CONTACT DETAILS FOR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

SJ Academy - [sjacademy@outlook.com](mailto:sjademy@outlook.com)

B'Arty - [richards8sn@btinternet.com](mailto:richards8sn@btinternet.com)

Onside Football - [ireland.r@onsidecoaching.co.uk](mailto:ireland.r@onsidecoaching.co.uk)

Blackbox Drama - [rose@blackboxtuition.co.uk](mailto:rose@blackboxtuition.co.uk)

Music Lessons with Simon -  
[smjkemp@gmail.com](mailto:smjkemp@gmail.com)

# Dates for the Diary

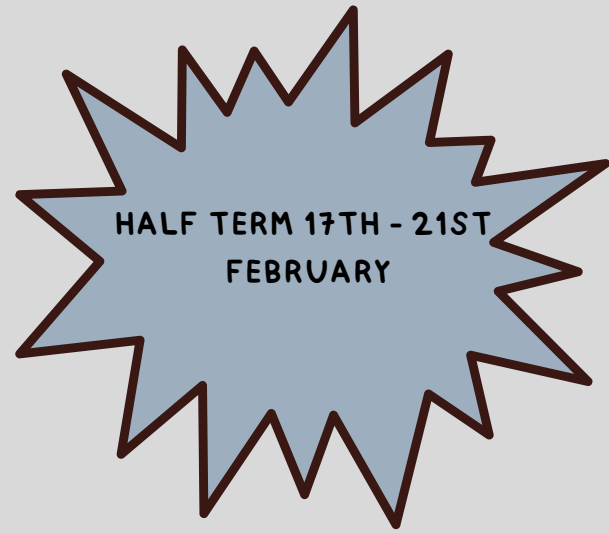
## SPRING ONE

### JANUARY 2025

**Thursday 23rd** - Class 4 Playground  
Opera

**Tuesday 28th** - Class 3, Forest School PM

**Thursday 30th** - Girls football match,  
Studley St Mary's



### FEBRUARY 2025

**Tuesday 4th** - Reception & Year 6 Height  
and Weight Check.

Year 6 questionnaire @9.30am

**Friday 7th** - NSPCC Numbers Day

**Monday 10th** - Parents Evening 5-8pm

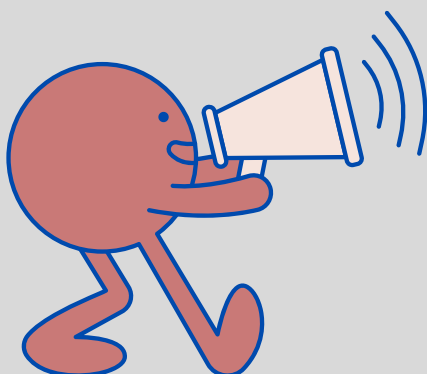
**Tuesday 11th** - Class 3, Forest School PM

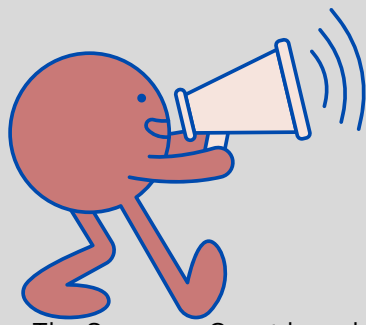
**Wednesday 12th** - Parents Evening 4-7pm

**Thursday 13th** - Celebration Assembly

**17th - 21st February** - HALF TERM

**Monday 24th** - Back to school





# Attendance Reminder

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wright 2017). 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.

The law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.

Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school. When making an application for Leave of Absence parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate.

It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is the parents' responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent ie the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected 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. Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence.

Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'.

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

Leave of Absence taken in the academic year 2024-25

**The law relating to Penalty Notices changed with effect from 19 August 2024. Therefore, Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absence taken from September 2024 will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.**

•Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices – 4 in total).

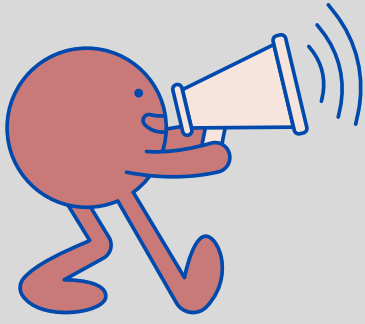
oFirst Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.

oSecond Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): The amount of £160 paid within 28 days.No reduced amount.

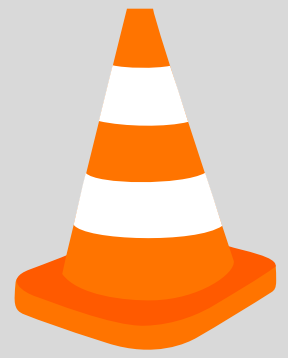
•Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted. Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.

•Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): A penalty notices will be not be issued and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under S444 of Education Act 1996.

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



# School Parking



**THIS IS A POLITE REQUEST TO ASK ALL PARENTS WHO NEED TO DRIVE TO SCHOOL TO REMEMBER TO PARK CONSIDERATELY AND SAFELY AT SCHOOL DROP OFF AND COLLECTION.**

PLEASE PARK WITH CARE AND HELP MAKE THE AREA NEAR AND AROUND OUR SCHOOL A SAFER PLACE FOR OUR CHILDREN. PARKING AWAY FROM SCHOOL WILL ALSO HELP KEEP CONGESTION TO A MINIMUM AND MAINTAIN A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR NEIGHBOURS.  
WE ALL WANT TO HELP KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE -

**PLEASE TAKE SOME TIME TO READ AND REMEMBER WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILS ROAD SAFETY CODE FOR PARENTS:**

Park away from school gates

Always hold hands with young children

Remember – your child will copy you

Every road means STOP LOOK LISTEN

Never get children out of a car roadside

Think safer places to cross the road

Secure your child's car seat correctly

Let's all work together to keep all our children safe outside school.

## **THE HIGHWAY CODE / SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR SIGNS / ZIG-ZAGS:**

WARWICKSHIRE ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP WOULD LIKE TO REMIND PARENTS OF THE HIGHWAY CODE. THE HIGHWAY CODE STATES: "YOU MUST NOT WAIT OR PARK, OR STOP TO SET DOWN AND PICK UP PASSENGERS, ON SCHOOL ENTRANCE MARKINGS." (HIGHWAY CODE RULE 238, ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984.)

SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR MARKINGS MEAN NO STOPPING DURING THE TIME AND DAYS SPECIFIED ON ADJACENT OR NEARBY SIGNS. THE MARKINGS HELP PREVENT VEHICLES FROM PARKING NEAR OR IN FRONT OF SCHOOL ENTRANCES, TO ENSURE SAFE ACCESS FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS.

PLEASE PARK SAFELY, LEGALLY AND CONSIDERATELY AND AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL GATES.