

# TG's Summer 2 Newsletter



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## Message from Mrs Yorke

As we reach the final day of the school year, it's a perfect moment to pause and celebrate all that we've achieved together. This half term alone has been packed with joyful highlights—from sporting successes and our whole-school enrichment day, to welcoming our new Reception families and watching our Year 6 pupils shine in their final weeks. A huge thank you to our staff, children, and families for your support, energy, and kindness throughout the year. To our wonderful Year 6s: we are incredibly proud of you and hope you carry the spirit of TG with you wherever you go. You have been a true credit to our school, and we will miss you greatly. Our school value, Together We Shine, has never felt more true — and I couldn't be prouder of what we've shared this year. Wishing you all a restful, happy summer break.

## Collective Worship;

This half term, our Christian value has been Friendship, and we've spent time together in assembly exploring what it means to be a true friend—through kindness, trust, support, and compassion, inspired by both everyday actions and the teachings of Jesus. Some of the themes we've shared include:

- The story "The Friend Ship", helping us think about how good friends are found through kindness, loyalty, and shared experiences
- The importance of teamwork and encouragement, especially during our fantastic Sports Day events
- Taking time to enjoy being with friends and recognising the value of simple moments together
- How we can be friends with our planet by looking after the world God has given us
- Learning from stories in the Bible, such as the friends who lowered the man through the roof to be healed by Jesus (Luke 5), and remembering verses like:
  - "Do to others as you would have them do to you." (Luke 6.31),
  - "Carry each other's burdens." (Galatians 6.2),
  - "A friend loves at all times." (Proverbs 17.17)

Through these messages, we've encouraged the children to think about how they can be a good friend to others and recognise the gift of friendship in their own lives—living out these values every day, both in and beyond our school community.

## Staffing Updates

As the school year draws to a close, we have some staff news to share with you. First, we will be saying a very fond and heartfelt goodbye to Mrs Brocklebank, our amazing Class 3 teacher. She has brought so much energy, care, and commitment to our school, and we are incredibly thankful for everything she has done for the children and the whole school community. We wish her all the very best for the future – she will be missed!

We're also delighted to welcome Mrs Lisa Harvey to our team in September. Lisa will be joining us as our Admin Assistant on Mondays and will also be lending her skills in the classroom as a Teaching Assistant for 1.5 days each week. We're thrilled to have her on board!

Finally, our lovely Mrs Kiri Harvey will be adjusting her working days to Tuesday-Friday from September, as she balances her role with personal commitments. We're so pleased she's continuing to be a key part of our school family.

Thank you, as always, for your support as we make these changes. Here's to an exciting year ahead!

**Whole School Attendance Year to Date - 96.9%, our target for all pupils is 97% Keep up the great work!**

# Class 1 & 2



Class One have had a fantastic Summer Term 2, packed full of exciting learning and creative activities! We began the term diving **\*\*Under the Sea\*\***, exploring the wonderful world of sea creatures through books like *\*Commotion in the Ocean\** and *\*The Rainbow Fish\**. We learned about different creatures and their habitats, and thought about what makes a good friend, just like the Rainbow Fish in the story. The children created beautiful, bright clay Rainbow Fish to take home, and enjoyed roleplaying and performing the story for each other.

After our underwater adventure, we set sail on a new topic: **\*\*Pirates and Desert Islands\*\***. We thoroughly enjoyed becoming pirates ourselves – attending Pirate School, learning to talk like pirates, writing messages in bottles, and making tea-stained treasure maps before going on our own treasure hunts! We also thought about the importance of looking after our oceans, learning which materials we can recycle and how plastic can harm sea life. The children especially enjoyed using recycled plastic bottles to make fish and calming toys. To end the term, we have been thinking about our feelings as we get ready to move on to Class 2, enjoying the story *\*Can I Talk to You?\** written by our very own Mr Boothroyd, which helped us to talk about our hopes and feelings about the transition. What a term!



This term in Class 2 has been full of excitement and learning!

Following on from our fantastic trip to Warwick Castle, the children have been busy in English exploring the legendary tale of George and the Dragon. They have also written some wonderful recounts of our castle adventure, describing what we saw, the different parts of the castle, and the amazing experiences we had – from Knight School to watching the thrilling Falconry Show!

In PE, the children have been working hard to perfect their skills for Sports Day. They've been practicing everything from the Egg & Spoon race to Hurdles, Relays, Sprints, and more. Their determination and teamwork have really shone through – we can't wait to cheer them on!

It's been a term filled with creativity, energy, and fun – well done, Class 2!

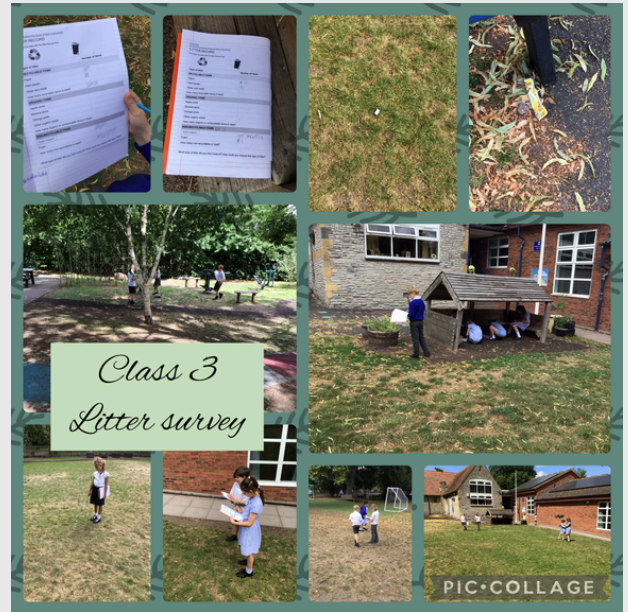


# Class 3 & 4



Class 3 have had a fantastic and busy Summer 2 term, filled with rich learning across the curriculum. A key focus this term has been our work on Shakespeare. In English, the children enjoyed reading a child-friendly version of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and watching the CBeebies adaptation to bring the story to life. In History, we explored Shakespeare's life and legacy, including a memorable trip to Mary Arden's Farm to experience Tudor life. We also compared Tudor London with modern-day London and learned about the Globe Theatre. In RE, we looked at the worldviews of people in Warwickshire and explored how Shakespeare's plays reflected his own beliefs.

Alongside this, the children explored the beautiful, wordless picture book *Float* by Daniel Miyares and used their creativity to write alternative endings. In Maths, we completed our work on fractions and developed confidence in telling the time to the nearest minute using analogue, 12-hour and 24-hour clocks, as well as calculating durations. In Science, we focused on human impact on the environment, carried out a litter survey of the school grounds, and shared our findings in assembly to encourage more positive environmental choices. We also enjoyed sharing our Science home learning, where children either conducted a litter survey of their local area or created colourful posters encouraging people to stop littering. In French, we learned vocabulary related to habitats and in PE we developed our skills in rounders and tennis. In PSHE, we explored themes of change discussing puberty, how babies are made, and our new school year. It has been a term full of curiosity, creativity, and thoughtful reflection.



This summer term, Class 4 have enjoyed a rich and varied learning journey across a range of subjects. In Geography, we developed our map skills, beginning with the creation of journey sticks to record our movements, before translating these experiences into maps that plotted our routes with increasing accuracy. Our History lessons focused on uncovering the truth about the Vikings — we explored their lives deciding whether they were raiders, traders or settlers and realised they weren't quite as gruesome and blood-thirsty as they are portrayed to be. In English, we were inspired by Greta Thunberg's powerful speech, *No One is Too Small to Make a Difference*, sparking important discussions about climate change and the power of young voices. The term concluded with an energetic and humorous production of *The Pirates of the Curry Bean*, a musical adventure that saw Jack and Liza Periwinkle on a quest to find treasure and rescue their mother. The final performance was a true triumph, full of laughter, singing, and perfectly timed pirate antics — Aaaarrrrgggghhhh!

# Sporting Updates from Mrs Campbell.



## Boys Football Fixture

On Monday 16th June both class 3 and 4 boys football teams were in action against Claverdon Primary School. Both teams performed very well, displaying great teamwork work, skill and resilience. Both matches provided the spectators with end to end goals.

The year 5/6 match eventually finished 5-4 to Claverdon and the year 3-4 match finished 4-3 to Claverdon. Well done to both teams. Two great matches. Player of the match class 4: Henry and Tom F, player of the match class 3: Hudson. Thanks once again to the parents for providing transport to and from the fixture.



## Pentathlon

8 pupils from class 4 competed in the Pentathlon competition against 9 other teams on the 24th June. All team members took in the 80m sprint, 600m run, standing long jump, vortex howler and shuttle relay. The children performed extremely well, showing great teamwork and spirit. Team TG finished 5th overall. Team: Charlotte, Jess, Siena-Rose, Emily H, Oliver, Zach, Tom, Abel.



## Summer of Sport Festival

What a lovely morning we have had at the Summer Sport for All Festival representing South Warwickshire schools. The children displayed the school games values throughout the morning and were very supportive of each other. They took part in a carousel of activities: athletics, tennis, clip n climb, cricket and tri golf. Mrs Campbell, Mrs Thomas and Mrs Drake were very proud of the children. Their favourite activities were cricket and clip n climb. The children were presented with a school games values trophy and certificates. 12 schools took part from Coventry, Warwickshire and Solihull.

Team TG: Ezmae, Emilia, Zach, Max, Emily B, Evie, Tom F.



8 pupils from class 3 were selected to represent Team TG at the QuadKids competition on 17th June. Competing against 10 other teams. The morning started with the 400m and vortex Howler throw, we then had a break from the sun and had a snack and drink in the hall, the second part of the competition started with the standing long jump and finished with the 60m sprint. They showed great team spirit, supporting each other in their events. Team TG did amazing finishing 4th overall. Team: Harriette, Violet, Lexi, Sophie, Nate, Hudson, Cobie, Charlie (4).



## Tennis Festival



Six pupils from year 4 and 5 took part in a tennis festival at Henley Tennis club. The morning involved some fun warm up games, learning different tennis skills and playing some fun matches against each other with Year 8 Sports leaders running the activities. The rain held off and we all had a lovely morning. Squad: Ayesha, Gracie, Amira, Abel, Elodie and Darcy.

## Olympic Value Awards

Reception - River

Year 1 - Christina

Year 2 - Hannah

Year 3 - Evie

Year 4 - Nate

Year 5 - Iris H

Year 6 - Jess

### School Games Gold Award:

We are delighted to announce for the second year running we have been awarded The School Games Gold Award. This not only demonstrates our commitment to providing opportunities for pupils to take part in school sport but also at increasing physical activity levels throughout the school day and by providing a balanced and broad PE curriculum which is inclusive for all.



# Sports Day and Enrichment Day



## Sports Day

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July, the school came together to take part in Sports Day. The afternoon started with a brief opening ceremony to introduce the 3 Houses: Beech, Sycamore and Chestnut along with the house captains and vice captains. There were 58 races in total, which included sprinting, mini hurdles, egg and spoon, bean bag on the head race, various relays and the new space hopper race for KS1. Emily H and Jackson were declared the fastest in the school winning the girls and boys year 6 sprint. The long distance run took part earlier in the week with the top 3 results for each year group counting towards sports day. The afternoon finished with the teachers egg and spoon race and the very popular toddlers race. Fun was had by everyone. The pupils displayed the Olympic and Paralympic Values throughout the afternoon and some pupils were nominated for the Olympic Values Trophy. Thank you to our wonderful parents and families for supporting the event and to the PTA for selling refreshments. Once again it was very close between the three houses!

Results: 1<sup>st</sup> Beech  
2<sup>nd</sup> Chestnut  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sycamore

### Intra School Sport – Overall House Winners:

Over the year we have held intra house competitions in the following events where all pupils have competed in their house.

Boccia – Class 2

Sports hall Athletics – Class 3 and 4

Bench Ball – Class 3 and 4

The results were accumulated, and the House trophy was awarded in the final celebration assembly to Chestnut's House Captains Jess and Emily. Well done to everyone who took part.

1<sup>st</sup>: Chestnut  
2<sup>nd</sup> Beech  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Sycamore



## Enrichment Day – Mission Possible

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July the children took part in Mission Possible run by Wise-Up Team Building. The pupils were off timetable for the day taking part in Mission Possible. The aim of the day was for the children to take part in a carousel of activities in their groups to solve the crime of Who Kidnapped the Llama!! The children were put into 10 groups; their first challenge was to come up with a group name. The children then had to choose a challenge. The challenges ranged from problem solving, team work, co-ordination, physical strength and endurance. Some challenges really tested the children (and staff). On completing a challenge the children could collect a clue from the WHO, HOW or WHERE box (similar to a game of cluedo). At the end of the afternoon the groups came together to see if they had solved the crime. We are pleased to say that "Stinky Fish" the suspect was caught and the Llama freed, the children solved the crime! Well done to all the children who demonstrated super team work and resilience throughout the day. Thank you to all our volunteers and staff who supervised a group and to Wise-Up Team Building for running the event. A big well done to Iris F, Gracie and Zach for being awarded the Wise -Up goody bags by the Wise Up Staff for their individual performances throughout the day.

# SCHOOL CLUB SCHEDULE - AUTUMN 1

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3.30-4.30pm			Year 1 - 3 Multisport Club with Fit4Kids Starting 10.09.25 (Online Booking)	Year 3 - 6 Football Club with Fit4Kids Starting 11.09.25 (Online Booking)	
3.40 - 4.40pm	B'Arty with Olivia - 7 Weeks Class 3 (starting 08.09.25)				
3.30 - 5pm		S J Academy Drama - In Village Hall (Starting 09.09.25)	S J Cheerleading in Village Hall (Starting 10.09.25)		
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)

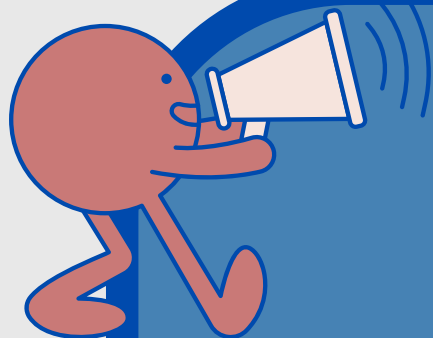
B'Arty - [richards8sn@btinternet.com](mailto:richards8sn@btinternet.com)

Fit4Kids Online Bookings - [www.fitt4kids.org.uk](http://www.fitt4kids.org.uk)

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

# Dates for the Diary

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# PTA NEWS

## ☀️ PTA Round-Up – Summer Term ☀️

As we come to the end of term, we wanted to take a moment to thank everyone who has supported the PTA over the past few months. It's been a busy term and, as always, we've been blown away by the generosity and community spirit shown by families, staff, and volunteers. Here's a quick look back at what we've been up to:

### KS1 and KS2 Discos

We started the term with not one but two discos – one for KS1 and one for KS2. Both were a huge success, with lots of dancing, glow sticks, and snacks enjoyed by all. A big thank you to everyone who helped set up, tidy away, and support on the night.

### Rags2Riches Clothing Collection

Thank you to everyone who donated unwanted clothes to our Rags2Riches collection. It's such a simple way to raise money and promote sustainability at the same time.

### Ice Cream Fridays and House Colour Day

Our Friday ice cream sales have once again been very popular with children (and staff!) and raised useful funds to support school projects. House Colour Day brought some brilliant energy to the playground and helped us collect a fantastic number of bottles, pamper items, sweets and chocolates for the Summer Social.

### Sports Day

The PTA was delighted to support this year's Sports Day. It was lovely to see so many families cheering the children on. Thank you to everyone who helped with refreshments and running stalls – it really added to the day.

### Summer Social

Following Sports Day, we held our end-of-term Summer Social. From the tombolas and raffle to the strawberries and cream, it was a lovely way to bring everyone together. Thanks to your support, we raised £800 – an incredible result. Thank you again to all the volunteers and to everyone who donated prizes, treats and their time.

### Year 6 Leavers' Play

We were pleased to purchase the KS2 production this year. It's a highlight of the summer term and a lovely way for the children to end their time at Temple Grafton.

### Forest School

Forest School continues to be a much-loved part of the curriculum. This term, we've focused on raising money for improvements to the site – in particular a new gate to help keep the area secure and accessible. Thank you to everyone who has donated to this effort so far.

### Temple Grafton School Lottery

We were excited to launch the new school lottery this term – offering families a fun way to support the PTA with the added bonus of weekly cash prizes. It's not too late to sign up if you haven't already! Congratulations to those who have won already!

### Name Labels.

If you're getting organised for September, don't forget to order your name labels through Stikins. Use our school code 22896 and the PTA receives a percentage of every order:

[www.stikins.co.uk/?NAME-LABELS=22896](http://www.stikins.co.uk/?NAME-LABELS=22896)

### Monthly Donations

If you'd like to support the PTA on a regular basis, you can now set up a one-off or monthly donation online via our secure Stripe page:

<https://donate.stripe.com/cNidR95HR5f12z88mc2Z000>

Every penny raised goes straight back into supporting the children at Temple Grafton.

### Thank You

We are so grateful for your continued support. Wishing you all a brilliant summer – we're already planning for the autumn term and look forward to seeing you again soon.

– The PTA Team



# 25/26 Upcoming Events



SEP

**2**

8.45AM - 09.45 AM

*Tea and Tissues*

SEP

**18**

7.30PM - 10PM

*Meet the PTA  
at The Blue Boar*

OCT

**01**

*Rags for Riches*

OCT

**17**

3.30PM - 4.45PM

*Reception and KS1  
Film and Craft Evening*

OCT

**17**

5PM - 7PM

*KS2 Film Night*

NOV

**20**

7.30PM - 10PM

*Meet PTA Meeting*

DEC

**04**

7.30PM - 10PM

*Christmas Planning  
Meeting*

DEC

**18**

ALL DAY

*Breakfast with Santa  
Christmas Fun Day*

**2026**

*Adult Only Social  
Rags to Riches  
Colour Run  
Treat Fridays  
Bounce-A-thon  
Graftonbury*

# CLASS 3 TRIP TO MARY ARDEN'S FARM



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# Support Outdoor Learning.

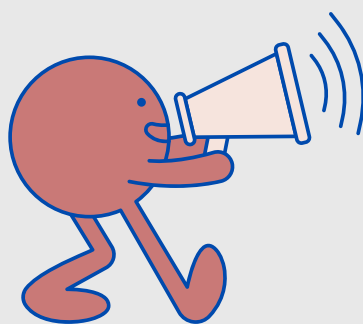
Help the PTA to raise funds for  
Forest School  
and a  
NEW Science Garden



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Scan the QR code or click here to  
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# 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).**

o **First 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.**

o **Second 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.**