

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome to another weekly round-up of our learning experiences at TPA.


This week we celebrated World Down Syndrome Day by wearing odd socks and thinking about how we are all unique. We also had our first violin recital – with children in Year Three sharing their music learning with their parents. Thank you to the parents who attended and well done to all our Year 3 pupils; performing on an instrument that you have only been learning for a term is an incredible feat!

This week, we have also had a number of trips to further enrich the children's learning. Reception went on their first 'big' trip to Kew Gardens where they impressed everyone with both their plant knowledge and their impeccable behaviour. The week has ended with our annual Year Four residential trip – an overnight stay at Woodrow High House. The children had an amazing time completing lots of outdoor and adventurous activities with their friends and teachers. Thank you to our teachers for organising these experiences for our learners.

Next week, we have a busy final week of term – I cannot believe that it has come around so quickly! The beginning of the week will see reports heading home – you will already know the content as this will have been shared at Parents' Evening, however be sure to talk about your child's next steps and targets so that we can continue to support each child to reach their full potential. On Wednesday next week, we will be celebrating our first community Iftar (the meal that breaks the Ramadan daily fast) after school between 6pm and 8pm – please see Class List for more information on this event; and on Thursday we will be having our usual Easter Trail and PTA Easter fun. All this will be alongside finishing our curriculum learning for the term!

Have a great weekend,
Erin.

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Spring Term: 22nd March 2024
Principal: Mrs. Erin Moscardini

 Dates for NEXT WEEK	
25.03.24	Year 6 Trip to Kew Gardens
26.03.24	Report 2 Out
27.03.24	PTA Summer Uniform Sale
28.03.24	Last Day of Term (see dismissal times below)
28.03.24	MUFTI DAY £1 Donation to PTA PTA Easter Trail after school



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End of Term Dismissal 28th March

There is no afterschool wrap around care provision. Please notify the school office by **10.30am** of any changes to pick-up arrangements.

Reception	11.50pm	Reception playground and Main Entrance as usual
Year 1	12.00pm	Both classes at Main Entrance
Year 2	12.00pm	Both classes at Reception Playground
Year 3	12.10pm	Both classes at Main Entrance
Year 4	12.10pm	Both classes at Reception Playground
Year 5	12.15pm	Both classes at Main Entrance
Year 6	12.15pm	Both classes at Reception Playground

No Early Pick ups

Clubs Confirmation

Confirmation emails will be sent this evening to those who have requested a place in Breakfast Club for the Summer Term.

Fees will now be uploaded to your Parentmail account for all clubs next week.

No Clubs next week apart from...

- Ballet - Monday and Wednesday Morning
- Boundless Dance – all year groups – Tuesday after school

There are no other clubs

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Trust Newsletter

If you would like to find out more about the Omnia Learning Trust's schools and the work of the Trust Board and Local Governors, please click here to see the latest Trust Bulletin:

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Inappropriate Footwear

Please do not send children in with flashing shoes. This goes against our uniform policy and is a distraction to lessons. Please remember sensible choices in footwear such as elastic laces or velcro for those who cannot tie laces yet.

Thank you, Mr Wojciech

Thank you

I would like to extend a really big thank you to you all for making all your payments this term, this is very much appreciated by the school.

If you do have any payments still showing in your ParentMail account (under Payment option on the side menu), we kindly ask that these are settled as soon as possible. Should you have any payments listed which you believe are not for your child, please do contact us so we can remove them.

The Summer term Clubs and Breakfast Club payments will be loaded by the end of this term to allow you to make payments over the holidays before we start the clubs for the new term.

Clubs and Breakfast Club can be paid within your ParentMail Account using a card payment or PayPal, you can pay using a tax free childcare account (and email the voucher/payment details to finance@twickenhamprimaryacademy.org) or you can take the barcode from your payment item and go to a shop which allows PayPoint and pay cash should you wish to. You can find <https://consumer.paypoint.com>. If you cannot find the barcode, and you wish to choose this option, please do contact us.

Many thanks, Miss Vikki

Attendance this week...

Class	Attendance %
Reception Turner	92.83
Reception Hepworth	96.32
Year 1 Potter	94.07
Year 1 Dahl	92.92
Year 2 Darwin	93
Year 2 Hawking	95.67
Year 3 Elgar	96.67
Year 3 Glennie	100
Year 4 Austen	94.33
Year 4 Dickens	90.71
Year 5 Moore	95.17
Year 5 Nightingale	97.14
Year 6 Farah	96
Year 6 Brown	91.33

Well done to:
GLENNIE!!
for the best attendance
this week!

Please remember that we do not authorise any holiday taken during term time. The school attendance target is **97%** of pupils attending every day. Attendance and punctuality are key factors in children's success in learning. If a child's attendance falls below 95% that is the equivalent of two weeks learning lost per year.



Lost Property

Please kindly note the lost property located by the main entrance will be inspected weekly due to perishable items that must be disposed due to hygiene. Please ensure you check regularly for lost items.

Please name all items



Well done to
our stars this
week!

Celebrating Success!

Maths
Superstar!



And...
Year 3 – Values
2 Hawking – Values
R Hepworth – Values
R Turner – Values
Rowan D Y1 – Values
1 Dahl – Maths



Our
Values!

Year 3 Violin Recital

On Wednesday, our glorious Year 3's showcased their violin skills to an audience of parents. They have been learning the violin as part of the music wider opps programme supporting our musical curriculum provided by Richmond Music Trust. If your child is interested in learning the violin, please contact Richmond Music Trust directly with your interest.

Well done Year 3 and thank you parents and carers for coming to watch!



Class News

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Who lives at the bottom of your garden? Are there caterpillars, spiders, snails, ladybirds or even butterflies? This week in Literacy we've been learning all about mini-beasts and have also been exploring the story *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.

In Maths, we have continued to deepen our understanding of number bonds to 10; using skittles, beanbags and giant number tracks to help further consolidate our learning.

In our afternoon lessons, we have been talking about the importance of washing our hands properly and have also begun to explore the Easter story.

The highlight of our week was most definitely our trip to Kew Gardens. We had a wonderful time 'going on a tree hunt' with Henry, who was part of the Kew Gardens Education Team. Henry provided us with different 'clues' to help us locate specific trees within the Gardens. We even had the chance to give a tree a giant group hug! We also loved exploring the Palm House and the Princess of Wales Conservatory, as it helped us to further understand the importance of temperature in helping plants to grow and thrive. Throughout the day, we were exceptionally well behaved, so much so, that multiple members of the public stopped to comment on our fabulous choices.

"My favourite thing at Kew Gardens was looking at the plants and seeing the pink banana tree and also what I liked about it was eating in the tent!"

"My favourite part was looking at the 'bottle tree' ... it was thin, but then at some point it gets fat."

"I liked EVERYTHING!"

Tricky words for next week's Rainbow Challenge:
my by all



Y1

We have been creating our own Halibut Jackson story books! We have been retelling the story and writing the story in our own words. We are so proud of our amazing stories!

In Maths this week we have been learning about fact families. We worked very hard to use our knowledge of parts and wholes, addition and subtraction to create fact families.

We had a lot of fun in art this week. We used a variety of different tools to create art in the style of Jackson Pollock. We had fun painting with rollers, pompoms, scrapers and other tools!

In PE, we have had a lot of fun and been very excited to tell our class teachers about playing uni hockey with Mr Wojciech. We have displayed fantastic team work and our teachers are very proud of how well we have worked together in PE this term.

Dahl class met their new teacher and are very excited to have Miss Jessica in class with Miss Ashleigh and Miss Fiona next week.

Y2

This week in Year 2 we looked at measuring mass in grams and kilograms. The children focused on their problem solving skills, including solving two step problems, using the four operations to work out the mass of objects. We encouraged the children to show their working out, clearly displaying their method and how they got to their answer. We were so proud of how the children tackled the problem solving questions with determination, and how they had a very systematic approach to answering the questions.

In PSHE we continued looking at healthy eating, thinking about the different food groups and the importance of a balanced diet. The children sorted different foods into the food groups and considered what foods are considered healthy and unhealthy.

In science we are been exploring animals including humans. This week we were learning about how humans stay fit and healthy, and why exercise is important for our bodies and our minds. The children had to design a set of 1 minute exercises. They had to consider what resources they would need, if they needed to be indoor or outdoor, alone or with a partner and how many times they could do the exercise in a minute. The children demonstrated their exercises to the class and the class had a go at copying their set of exercises. We observed what happens to our bodies after exercising, including breathlessness, fast heart rate, sweating and a rise in body temperature.

We hope you have a restful weekend and we shall see you next week for the final week of the Spring term! 😊



Y3

Dear Parents

It has been another busy week in Year 3, filled with lots of exciting activities. We are so proud of the children for how well they did at the violin recital, it really reflected how much hard work they have put into the lessons over the term, details to sign up for the transition phase were sent out yesterday please let us know if you have any questions. In Maths the children embarked on their new topic capacity, they created their own flapjack recipe whilst practising measuring grams. In English we created Stone Age Lego sets as inspiration for a persuasive letter we are writing to the company, to convince them to commission our designs. In history we looked at how tools changed from the stone age to the bronze age, and in art we completed our nature inspired prints. On Friday we had a very special visitor Ziggy, who came to raise awareness for Down syndrome day.

Have a lovely weekend,

From the year 3 Team



Y5

It's been a great week in Year 5, full of story-writing, science experiments and Tudor portrait painting!

Maths - this week the children have been learning about perimeter and area, which included challenging themselves to calculate the area of compound shapes.



Area & Perimeter

Perimeter (P): The distance around the outside of a shape

Rectangle: 8 units (top), 5 units (right), 4 units (bottom), 6 units (left).
 $P = 2 \times (\text{side} + \text{side})$
 $P = 2 (8+5)$
 $P = 26$ units

Irregular Shape: 3 units (top), 4 units (right), 2 units (bottom), 4 units (left), 6 units (left).
 $P = \text{Sum of all sides}$
 $P = 3+4+1+2+4+6$
 $P = 20$ units

Area (A): The number of square units inside a shape. $A = \text{length} \times \text{width}$

Rectangle: 4 units (width), 3 units (height).
 $A = 3 \times 4$
 $A = 12$ square units or 12 un^2

Irregular Shape: 6x3 = 18 square units, 3x3 = 9 un².
To find the area of an irregular shape: isolate rectangles, find the area of each, then find the total.
 $A = 18 + 9$
 $A = 27$ square units

English- The children have been showing off their creativity, planning and starting to write some exciting, time-travelling adventure stories. They wrote some really engaging openings which hooked the reader in!

Science - The children learnt all about electrical conductors and insulators and tested different materials in a circuit to see if they conducted electricity and made the light bulb turn on. We found out the metals are usually good electrical conductors.

History - The children found out all about the kitchens at Hampton Court Palace and designed their own Tudor banquet for Henry VIII.

RE - The children discussed what they have learned about the Easter Story and how important it is to Christians that God intended for Jesus to die for people's sins. They discussed what destiny and free will mean to them.

Art - The children have been making some great progress painting their Tudor portraits and are quickly becoming expert colour mixers.

PSHE - We discussed the different relationships people have with food and how to make healthy choices.

Music - The children have demonstrated a great understanding of rhythm as we continue to learn the rap theme tune to 'The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air.

Computing - The children explored using loops when coding to create a repeated tune or rhythm on scratch music

Y6

We have been busy this week Year 6 as we come to the end of term! In Maths, we started our new unit in Statistics and learning about pie and bar charts. In English, have written and illustrated our final piece on *The Promise*. In Geography, we have completed our fact files on endangered species that are local to the UK, and how we can help them. In Science we learned about and made a diagram detailing the composition of blood. In PSHE, we discussed mental and emotional health and how to care for our physical, mental and emotional health. In computing, we have continued our work on coding and using loops to repeat commands. In RE, we discussed the Qu'ran and it's importance to Muslims. And we are ending with PE and Golden Time!

Reminders for the week:

On Monday we are taking a trip to Kew Gardens. Children are to wear their TPA PE kit and comfortable trainers for the day. Please ensure your child has an appropriate jacket, a **healthy** packed lunch and water bottle.

SATS homework for Maths will be a CGP book, which goes home every week with the students. We will mark the work every Friday, so please bring the book back in on Thursday to ensure we have all of the work ready to mark and discuss for Friday. If you need copies of the homework sheet, please advise and we can send it home.

Please keep encouraging your child to take ownership of their diary and to bring it in daily. Please remember to make a note when they have read (independently or with you). Also, Ms Tina holds an English SATS prep session every Thursday morning from 8-8:45am. This is a drop-in session and free of charge, however you must be here for a prompt start at 8am. And please share any concerns or notes with us in the diary.

Have a great weekend!

Natalie, Nadira, Richelle, Katie, Tina and Zaneta