

Newsletter 10
Autumn Term: Friday 11th November 2022
Principal: Mrs. Erin Moscardini

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

It has been another learning-packed week at TPA.

Today, we have commemorated Remembrance Day as a whole school community. We created a wreath of poppies as a school and spent two minutes reflecting on the importance of remembering those who have given their life in the service of this and other countries in the world. Many children have told me that they will be part of services this weekend with Scouts and Cubs too.

This week we have also been looking out for children who have been showing excellent behaviour and perfect presentation with their uniform. Thomas and Mei have been looking out each lunch time for children who are managing to stay well-presented all day. Do remember to label your child's uniform so that they can keep smart and not lose any vital items. Please be reminded that hair accessories should be navy or purple only.

Attached to this newsletter you will find an update from our wonderful PTA which details the upcoming events. These are:

- A screening of the England vs. USA World Cup match on Friday 25th November.
- A pantomime (and ice cream in Richmond)
- The long-awaited return of the Christmas Fair.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at these events.

Finally, looking forward to next week which will be another busy one at TPA. On Monday, please remember to send your child in odd socks as we will be starting Anti-Bullying week thinking about everyone being unique. Then on Friday, please remember spots, dots, bear ears or something yellow as we celebrate Children in Need with some non-school uniform and a danceathon in the school hall.

I wish you a restful weekend,

Erin

Dates for your diary

11.11.22	Remembrance Day
14.11 – 18.11	Anti-bullying week
Wb 14.11.22	Y6 Bikeability (letters sent)
18.11.22	Children in Need (Spots!)
Wb 21.11.22	Y6 Bikeability (letters sent)
21.11.22	Flu Vaccine (email sent)

Remember that there should be no parking by parents on Colne, Albion or Knowle Roads. If you are waiting to collect your child, please be mindful of local residents who need to access their homes or use buggies.



Class	Attendance
Reception Turner	96.7%
Reception Hepworth	98.3%
Year 1 Dahl	97.1%
Year 1 Potter	95%
Year 2 Darwin	94.5%
Year 2 Hawking	97.3%
Year 3 Elgar	95.4%
Year 3 Glennie	96.9%
Year 4 Austen	97%
Year 4 Dickens	95.3%
Year 5 Moore	96.4%
Year 5 Nightingale	96.6%
Year 6 Farah	93.9%
Year 6 Brown	94.3%

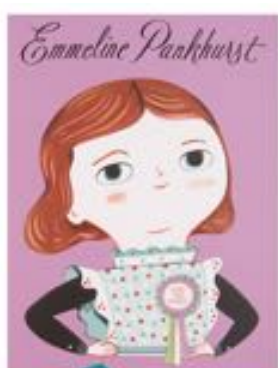
Well done to:
For amazing attendance this week and this term!

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.

House Points



791



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605



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The winning house this term will be able to come in non-school uniform for one day in the final week of term. Information will be communicated the week before.

Messages from the Office

Open events

We will be holding tours of the school every Thursday morning at 09:30 throughout the autumn term by appointment only.

A school tour is a great opportunity for prospective parents to tour the school; speak with the principal, staff and children and get a feel for the school. If you would like to book a tour, please email Miss Hana: h.hamilton@twickenhamprimaryacademy.org

Please visit our admissions page of our website for the most up to date information: <https://www.twickenhamprimaryacademy.org.uk/admissions/>

Walking Home Alone

Children in Year 5 and 6 may walk home alone after their parents have completed a form. Please note, the children should have practised the journey, be confident in their response to distractions and strangers and be heading directly home. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either the school office or the Principal.

Admissions Policy

As the school has not consulted on its Admissions Policy since it was opened, we are required to do so by Richmond local authority. Please find below the link to have your say on admissions to TPA:

<https://www.twickenhamprimaryacademy.org.uk/admissions-policy-consultation/>

Absence

If your child is unwell or off school for another reason, please ensure that you phone the school office promptly on the first day of absence by 8:00am and report by pressing 1.

We will call if your child is not in school when the registers close.

Appointments: A copy of medical appointments must be emailed to the school office

Office number: **02030 196196**

Please make sure that your child is in the correct uniform (including black school shoes, not trainers). If you have any questions about uniform, please contact the school office or Miss Erin

Celebrating success!

No photographs this week as we were commemorating Remembrance Day.

Year group	Children
Reception	<p>In Hepworth, Miss Andrea is celebrating Kik for her excellent cooperation this week especially when tidying up. Lilana is the star of the week for her excellent maths work.</p> <p>Miss Danielle, in Turner, is very proud of Roan for his bravery and walking beautifully on his flat feet. She is also proud of Minnie for her super manners and wonderful blending in phonics.</p>
Year One	<p>In Potter, Miss Lauren is proud of Ehud for the way he consistently uses his 'magnet eyes' to follow the learning at all times. She is also impressed with Gabriel for his excellent sentence writing.</p> <p>In Dahl, Miss Ashleigh is proud of Juno for her enthusiasm and the way that she has followed the rules. She is also celebrating Joe for his wonderful sentences and use of tens and ones in maths.</p>
Year Two	<p>In Hawking, Miss Leah is proud of Rosie for her amazing friendship skills and Elliott for his exceptional money work in maths this week. Unfortunately, Miss Annabel has been poorly this week, so no certificates for individuals, but we are so proud of all the learners in Darwin for their excellent effort in all areas.</p>
Year Three	<p>In Glennie, Miss Kirstie is proud of Deniz for her scientific enquiry; she is also impressed with Arthur for his work this week in maths.</p> <p>In Elgar, Miss Grace and Miss Natalie are proud of Alex for his contributions to class discussions. They are also impressed with Gabriel C for sharing his own knowledge in RE.</p>
Year Four	<p>In Dickens, Miss Shauna is proud of Sonia L for approaching new learning with enthusiasm and persevering when faced with difficulty. She is also celebrating Lily S for her resilience and attentiveness in maths which has allowed her to quickly grasp new learning.</p> <p>Miss Shannon was off today, but let us know that she is proud of all of Austen and their wonderful manners on their trip this week.</p>
Year Five	<p>In Nightingale, Miss Roseana is so proud of Mazen for working hard all week and learning his planets in science.</p>



	In Moore Miss Stephanie is proud of Mohamed for approaching new learning with greater enthusiasm and Mark D for his amazing effort in RE this week.
Year Six	Miss Richelle is proud of her class's efforts in coding this week (as was Mr Sam who taught them). Miss Rachael was amazed by Ria and her helpful, calm teamwork this week. She is also proud of Ayaan and his outstanding English writing.

Walking Home Alone

As the nights draw in, please be mindful of Year 5 and 6 children who walk home alone. Perhaps think about arranging to collect them or meeting them half way as a walk in the dark can be very dangerous or even scary for children. I will be talking to Trust about better lighting for the car park.

Uniform Reminder – all children should now be in winter uniform.

EYFS and KS1:

- White polo shirt
- School sweater or cardigan
- Navy trousers or pinafore
- Navy socks or tights
- Black shoes

Year 3 and 4:

- White shirt
- Striped tie
- School sweater or cardigan
- Navy trousers, skirt or pinafore
- Navy socks or tights
- Black shoes

Year 5 and 6:

- White shirt
- Striped Tie
- School sweater or cardigan
- Blazer
- Navy trousers, skirt or pinafore
- Navy socks or tights
- Black shoes

PE all year groups:

- Purple t-shirt or dry fit
- Navy shorts or joggers
- Purple PE sweatshirt
- Sports trainers

Purple or navy hair clips or bands should be worn and long hair should be tied back.




Special Days in November


In November we have two important events. Anti-bullying week, which this year has the theme 'Reach Out'. Children at TPA, supported by the School Council will be deepening their understanding of bullying and how to prevent it. The start of this week is marked by 'odd socks day' so on **Monday 14th November** please feel free to send your child in in their oddest socks (but normal uniform everywhere else).


Friday 18th November is not just the end of Anti-bullying week, it is Children in Need. A national event where we think about those who are less fortunate than ourselves. This year, we are doing something 'spot-tacular' to raise money. Again, School Council will be helping us with this. But our main thing will be coming to school in your spottiest or yellowest clothes and donating £1, if you feel able. I know with the cost of everything rising, charity donations can be challenging, so please know that your child can join in even without the donation.



Class News

Year group	What's Happening?
EYFS	<p>We have had another fun and busy week in Reception year. We introduced our 3 new Rainbow Challenges for the week and the children have been doing lots of exploring and working very hard to achieve their all the rainbow sticks. In Maths we learnt all about spatial awareness and took part in an exciting obstacle course by following prepositional instructions. We continued to learn our phonics sounds in English and practised our pre cursive letter formation as well as blending and writing CVC words. The children are making excellent progress in their understanding of letter sounds. We also learnt all about Remembrance Day and used our fantastic artistic skills to make poppies which have been made into a whole school wreath in order to remember all the brave soldiers who fought in the Wars.</p> <p>Next week we will be introducing our classroom 'Star Box'! Each week a child will have a turn to take the box home and choose 4/5 of their favourite special 'star' items to place in the box. They will then discuss and share these with their class.</p> 
Year 1	<p>In Maths this week, Year One have been learning about our numbers 11 to 20. We have made the numbers on our tens frames and we have been learning about tens and ones.</p> <p>This week in English, we begun our unit on diary entries. We have been working hard to develop our vocabulary and sentence writing skills. We will continue this next week by writing diary entries as a little pig. <i>Can your child tell you the story of the Three Little Pigs and describe how the characters felt at each part of the story?</i></p> <p>In science, we looked at different materials and identified what materials different objects are made from.</p>

<h2>Year 2</h2>	<p>Another successful and busy week in Year 2. In maths we focused on money. We counted and compared amounts and used our skills to solve problems. In English we focused on instruction writing, the children were really good at using time words and bossy verbs. In art this week we started our sea pictures by using wax resist to create a funky sea effect. In science we used our prediction skills to think about how and where ice would melt the fastest in preparation for our investigation of this next week. Finally, in topic we looked at the 7 continents and 5 oceans of the world.</p> <p><i>Can your child remember the 7 continents and 5 oceans?</i></p> 
<h2>Year 3</h2>	<p>Another busy week for year 3, in English we have learnt about homophones and the features of a leaflet, next week we will start to create our own leaflets promoting a European country. We completed our final week of addition and subtraction in Maths, before moving on to our new focus multiplication and division. The children channelled their inner Brunel as we continue to look at bridge design for their DT project. In science we continue to look at forces next week we will be investigating friction.</p> <p><i>Home learning challenge: if you see a leaflet or poster when you are out and about this weekend, ask your child if they can identify any different fonts or paragraphs to split up information.</i></p>
<h2>Year 4</h2>	<p>Well done to the children for another wonderful week in Year 4! We have dived straight into our new topics and areas of learning which the children were very excited about. We had an amazing day on Thursday at the British Museum, discovering more about life in Ancient Egypt as we explored Egyptian artefacts. We were extremely proud of the children for their fantastic behaviour and enthusiasm – they represented TPA incredibly.</p> <p>In maths this week, we moved on to Perimeter. The children focused on calculating the perimeter of squares and rectangles by adding up the sides. By the end of the week, the children were able to answer problem-solving questions and calculate missing lengths. In English, the children wrote terrific autobiographies. It was lovely to read about the children’s lives so far and their hopes and dreams for the future. In Topic, we learnt more about Egypt by looking closely at maps of the country and identifying some of the most important landmarks - the cities of Cairo and Luxor, The River Nile, The Valley of the Kings and the Valley of the Queens.</p> <p><i>What wonderful things did the children see at the museum? Remember to ask them all about their experience (and not just the long coach journey)!</i></p>

		
<h2>Year 5</h2>	<p>In maths, Year 5 finished our topic all about statistics. We learnt how to read a variety of tables including timetables and used data to solve problems. On Wednesday, we started our new topic on multiplication and division. The children did some amazing work involving factors and multiples. Well done everyone!</p> <p>In Science, we learnt all about the solar system. We watched a video, explored a variety of questions and ordered the eight planets in relation to the sun. The children did a great job and were very involved with our class discussions.</p> <p>This week in English we started looking at newspaper reports. We took a lot of time looking at the features and aspects of a newspaper. Children then revised past tense as well as third person pronouns to support their newspaper writing which we started on Thursday. We will spend next week doing our planning and typing out our final version after lots of editing!</p> <p>In topic this week discussed out new topic, extreme earth. We took time to speak about different weather, climates and natural disasters. Children had time to go over new terminology and ask questions about the topic. They then made cover pages based our new topic. <i>Please continue to talk with your child about newspaper reports and their features this weekend so that they are ready to write on Monday.</i></p>	
<h2>Year 6</h2>	<p>Year 6 had a wonderful week of learning and have impressed us so much with using their editing skills in English for their Non-Chronological report on the Vikings and drafting it. They extended their learning and have written about what was happening in other parts of the world at the same time as in Great Britain. In Maths, we are finishing up the unit on the Four Operations. This week we have covered the order of operations as well as square, cubed and prime numbers. Next up - fractions!</p> <p><i>What can your child tell you about the Vikings in England?</i></p>	

Whole School

This week in our assemblies we have been thinking about Remembrance Day. We read a book called 'Where the Poppies Grow' and talked about the reasons that we remember those who fought in wars.

See below for a picture of the House Captains and Vice House Captains with the wreath and the wreath on display at school ready for the weekend.

We have begun to think about our Christmas shows in our year groups – hopefully the children will keep some of the songs a surprise!

