

Newsletter 8  
Autumn Term: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022  
Principal: Mrs. Erin Moscardini

## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

Happy Half Term!

Thank you all for the questions, comments, emails and messages this term. It has been lovely to be welcomed into the TPA community and to hear about the pride that you have in your children and the school itself.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the Parents' Evenings this week and to hear about the brilliant start that the children have made in their new year groups.

I received a message from Richmond Borough yesterday reminding us of the fact that there should be no dogs on the school playground as this is a health and safety risk – even if your dog is fantastically well trained. If you enjoy walking your dog to school as part of the drop off or collection routine, please can you keep your dog in the car park at these times.

Next term, there will be some PE day changes. These have been communicated in the email attached to the newsletter and new timetables will be sent home by teachers in week 1.

Please keep an eye on the newsletter next term – **class information will be added back after popular demand!** If you have further questions please remember that there is an online Principal's Forum on the first Friday after half term (4.11.22). Please submit questions or discussion points to Miss Hana.

Finally, I am excited to be able to share the happy news that Miss Natalie is expecting her second child. She will continue to teach Year 3 Elgar until March when her baby is due. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her and her family on this happy news.

Have a wonderful break.

Erin

## Dates for your diary

31.10.22	INSET Day – school closed to children
1.11.22	Children back in school
1.11.22	9:30am Y6 SATs meeting online
3.11.22	Reception & Y6 height & weight (email sent)
4.11.22	9:30am Principal's Forum online
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	97.5%
Reception Hepworth	98.3%
Year 1 Dahl	97.2%
Year 1 Potter	95.2%
Year 2 Darwin	94.7%
Year 2 Hawking	97.7%
Year 3 Elgar	95.9%
Year 3 Glennie	96.8%
Year 4 Austen	96.6%
Year 4 Dickens	95.1%
Year 5 Moore	96.7%
Year 5 Nightingale	96.3%
Year 6 Farah	93.3%
Year 6 Brown	94.6%

Well done to:  
**Hepworth Class (again!)**  
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



297



300



373



312

## 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](mailto: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.

### Clubs

Clubs will resume from the first week back as this break is only a half term.

### Meal Booking

The booking is already open for school dinners after half term. The menus will continue to roll over so please do book as far ahead as possible.

### 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!



Well done to these learners for their exceptional learning and display of our values. These children have shown fantastic effort!



## Thank you, PTA!

Thank you, once again, to our amazing PTA for organising today's after school cake, uniform and Diwali box sale. They work hard to ensure that funds are raised to buy lovely things for all the children. Please look out for their next newsletter page for upcoming events and how much money has been raised so far this year.



## Terrific TPA!



Over the past two weeks TPA has taken part in three different competitions. Year 4 Boys Team in Football; Year 6 mixed team in a Tag Rugby competition finishing as a runner up in the Plate Cup; and the Year 5 and Year 6 mixed team finished 6<sup>th</sup> in a Basketball tournament. They all have been brilliant! Well done everyone!



### Spanish Superstars!

This term, Miss Beth has worked with Year 6 to create Spanish poems. Well done to these learners whose work has made it onto our Spanish display: Anya, Ryan, Annabel, Beau, Maddie, Melody, Dominic, Pip, Jacob, Senara, Anya, Ronnie, Arnav, Yohan, Millie, Leah, Maggie, Nathan, Ayaan, Pearl, Alice, Ziani, Niina, Mei, Timur, Jacob S, George, Sully, Belle, Thomas, Nassema, Laura, Mariam, Oliver and Arthur.

### Diwali

Diwali this year will fall on the first Monday of October half term (24<sup>th</sup> October). This week in school, the children have learned about Diwali in class time and we will continue to focus on this important festival during the first week back too – pictures in the newsletter! Miss Shauna will be delivering a Diwali assembly to all children in the first week back as well to add to our RE curriculum.

Please also remember that the PTA are selling Diwali craft packs too via class list.