

Dear Parents,

I hope that you have had a good week, and that you and your children are looking forward to the half term break. We have had an amazing half term with five weeks packed full of learning and extracurricular opportunities. The next half term will bring even more opportunities—with World Book Day, British Science Week, World Maths day, more trips and new topics to look forward to.

It was lovely to see so many parents drop in the classrooms the past two mornings to see their children's work. The children always enjoy showing you what they have learnt and how much they have improved.

Spanish Week and House Day:

This week the children were able to immerse themselves into the culture and language through a range of stories and activities. The Flamenco workshop was a big success and I must say the children have shown some great Spanish lines when learning the steps. The flamenco teachers were very impressed with their engagement and sense of rhythm.

Our House day today was used to finish a very enjoyable and educational Spanish week. The children learned about Miro, had a short lesson on salsa dancing, tasted some traditional food from Spain, Argentina and Cuba as well as gained more knowledge of festivals and celebrations from across Spanish speaking countries.

A big thank you to Miss Beth and Miss Lindsay for organising the week and well done to all the children for their effort and engagement.

Year 6 Boys Football Team Report:

On Monday the year 6 boys football team played their second league fixture. This time we played against St Richard Reynolds Catholic School. The game kicked off just after 2:00pm and both teams began at a solid pace. We took an early lead which helped us control the game, but both teams played well. Two more goals from us made it four-nil before halftime. The second half began well with a few more goals from us. St Richard Reynolds also had something to celebrate after they scored from a free-kick. The boys finished very strongly adding more goals to the score sheet. The match was played with a great attitude from both teams and this was evident as the players shook hands at the end. Well done! A big thank you to Ben Smith (great referee even without VAR system) and Graham Beard (very valuable member of the coaching staff) for their help and support. Our next game is a derby match against Archdeacon! Unfortunately, all the tickets already sold out 😊
Mr Wojciech

Twickenham Primary Academy 9:1 St Richard Reynolds Catholic School

Goals scorers:

Noa 2, Zai 2, Luke 1, Christian 1, Illyas 1, William 1

Man of the match: William

"I think we played very well we were passing well from the back linking up on the wings. When we will be facing a harder opponent in the future and if we will keep the same structure of work than we will be able to defeat them".



Parent survey:

Thank you for completing the survey – we received 125 completed forms which is just below a third of the whole school community. As a school we continuously look at ways how to improve and develop and appreciate and consider any feedback and comments. Please see the result including details addressing any queries and/or concerns raised. I hope you will find it useful but I would like to emphasise that I am always willing to talk and listen to any parents if they have concerns about any aspects of our school.

Half term Optional Homework Activities:

After a busy half term, we decided that the optional homework will be linked to Health and Wellbeing and the suggested activities can be enjoyed as a whole family. Please see the attached grid and feel free to complete one, some or all of them.

Covid 19 Update:

Thankfully, Covid rates are beginning to drop across Richmond but Richmond is still in the top two Local authorities in London. Primary school aged children and adults aged 30-40 are the groups with the highest number of cases. We have been keeping a close eye on our school case numbers and had a slight increase this week with 15 cases across the school. The current risk assessment continues to stay in place after the half term break and we will notify of any changes.

World Book Day:

On Thursday 3rd March we celebrate books and reading for pleasure. The theme this year is “We are Readers” and we encourage children not only to dress up as their favourite book character but also to bring along the book to share with their peers. More information about the different activities taking place on that day will be shared after half term.

Office Staff update:

After more than 3 years of commitment, dedication and support of the TPA school community, we sadly have to say farewell to Miss Joy. Miss Joy has decided that she is going to look at other career avenues outside education, and has her last day with us on Monday 28th February. We are currently recruiting for a replacement and will keep you updated on any news. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Miss Joy for all the hard work and support she has given to staff, parents and children throughout her time with us. She will be missed but we wish her every success in her future endeavours.

Office News:

School Dinners:

Bookings are now open on Parentmail up until the end Easter. Please remember to book meals the night before as they cannot be made on the day.

Tuesday 1st March we will be celebrating Pancake day, don't forget to book !

School Clubs:

Clubs will continue to run on our return from half term as usual.

Key Dates: The next few weeks at Twickenham....

Please note: All the key dates for this academic term can be found on the school's online calendar

Monday 14 th – Friday 18 th February	Half Term Break
Tuesday 1 st March	Pancake Day
Thursday 3 rd March	World Book Day

Collective Worship Themes:

Date	Theme
21 st February	Fairtrade
28 th February	Time to Talk (Mental Health)

House Points:

House	Points
Parks	1527
Gandhi	1562
Pankhurst	1543
Shackleton	1591

Attendance:

In line with DFE guidance, the school does not authorise any holiday. Thank you.

All holiday is coded as an unauthorised absence (G) on the school's register and you are at risk of being fined.

Year Group	Target (97%)
Reception	95.7
Year 1	95.5
Year 2	96.0
Year 3	96.0
Year 4	96.1
Year 5	95.1
Year 6	96.6
Whole School	95.8



Have a lovely half term,

Petra Gollob

Miss Petra Gollob, Acting Principal

Ambitious For All.





Year: Class: