



# GEMS Twickenham Primary Academy Newsletter

Principal: Mr. John Smith

Summer Term Term: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019



## Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a lovely week, and are looking forward to the weekend ahead. This week, Year One completed their phonics screening check, and they did an excellent job – well done to all our pupils in year 1 we are very proud of you!

We also had a brilliant Den Building Day with some super constructions happening throughout the school. Thank you to all our families who donated resources towards the day. A big thank you for your support and understanding during the water outage. It was very much appreciated, and was fantastic seeing the whole school coming together.

## Term Dates:

The term dates for the next academic year have been slightly updated because of the change to the May Bank Holiday date. The school will now be closed on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May as part of the VE day celebrations taking place (as opposed to Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May). This will be helpful as you begin to plan your diaries for next year.

## Uniform:

A reminder that those pupils who will be leaving Year 2, and moving into Year 3 during the next academic year have a change of uniform. The children will need to wear a shirt and tie as opposed to the polo shirts. The tie is available to be purchased from Stevenson's, and is currently in stock.

A couple of parents have asked about the current polo shirts and why we have the stripe. Last year as a school we did a uniform consultation and it was decided to keep the polo shirt with the purple stripe. The uniform is something that the school takes seriously, and we ask that the children wear this please. However, during the next academic year, we will conduct a new uniform consultation to gain a broader range of views from across the school.

## Miss Adiilah:

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Adiilah on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June as she is moving abroad. Miss Adiilah has been an excellent teaching assistant during her time at Twickenham Primary Academy, and we will miss her very much. A new teaching assistant has been recruited to replace Miss Adiilah and will start with us on 24<sup>th</sup> June to have a week's transition with Miss Adiilah.

## Year 3 Performance:

Tickets will be available for the Year 3 performance 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' from next week – these will be sent via email.

**House Points: This house point treat will be a visit from the Ice Cream Van**

House	Points
Parks	801
Gandhi	791
Pankhurst	780
Shackleton	785

**Attendance:**

In line with DFE guidance, that the school does not authorise any holiday. Thank you. All holiday is coded as an unauthorised absence on the school's register.

Year Group	Target (97%)
Reception	96.4%
Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	97.2%
Year 3	97%
Whole School	96.9 %

**Key Dates:**

Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Superhero Day
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 3:15 pm	Year 3 Litter Pick (PTA)
W/C 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Ducklings Arrive
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Race Night! From 7:30 pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Reception Visit to Bocketts Farm
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day – 09:00 – Reception and Year 1 1:00 – Year 2 and Year 3
w/c 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school Enterprise Week
W/C 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Final week for afterschool clubs

**Principal's Question:**

For a housepoint on Monday, please write down the answer to 'what skills do you need to build a den successfully?'

**Twitter:**

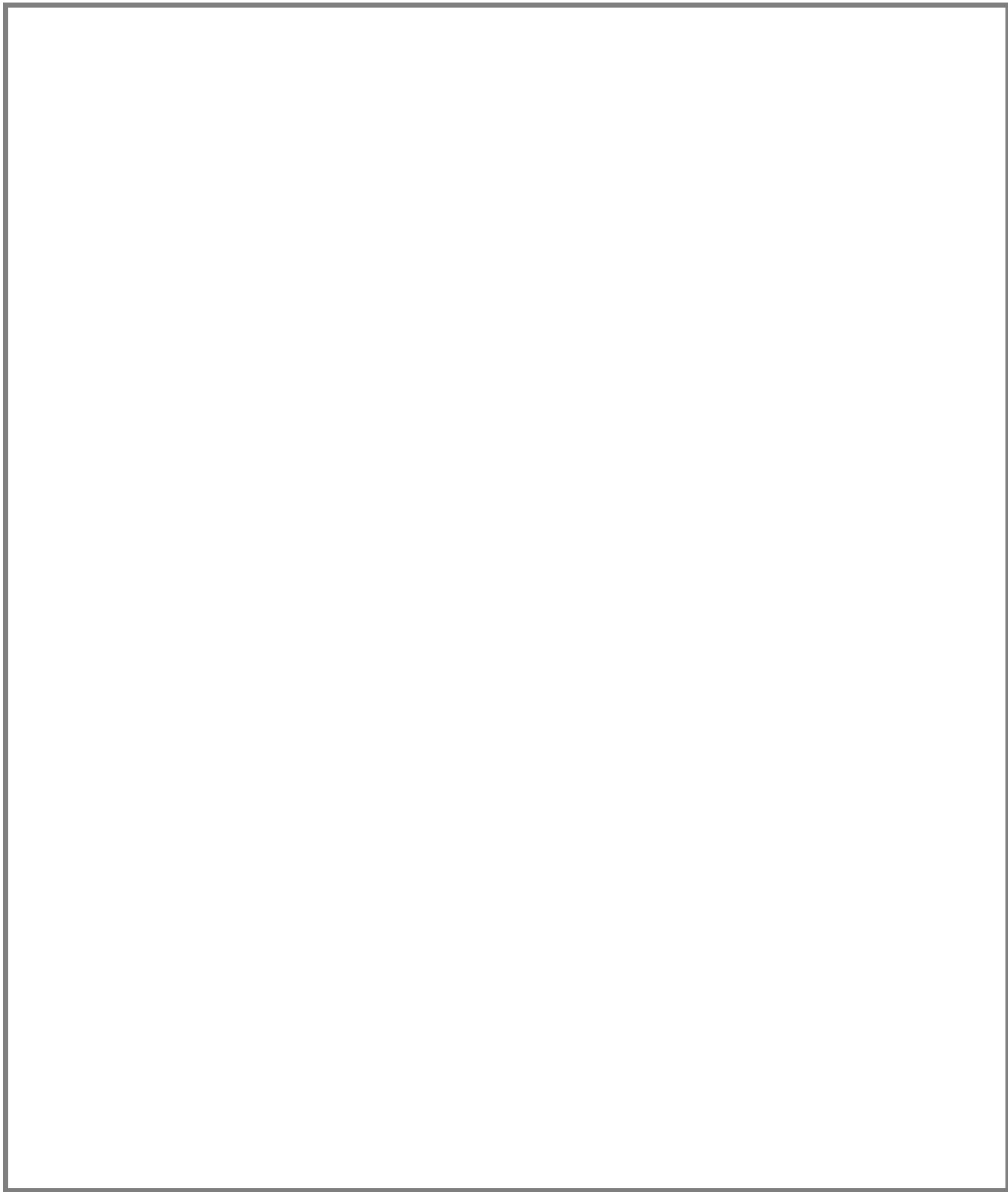
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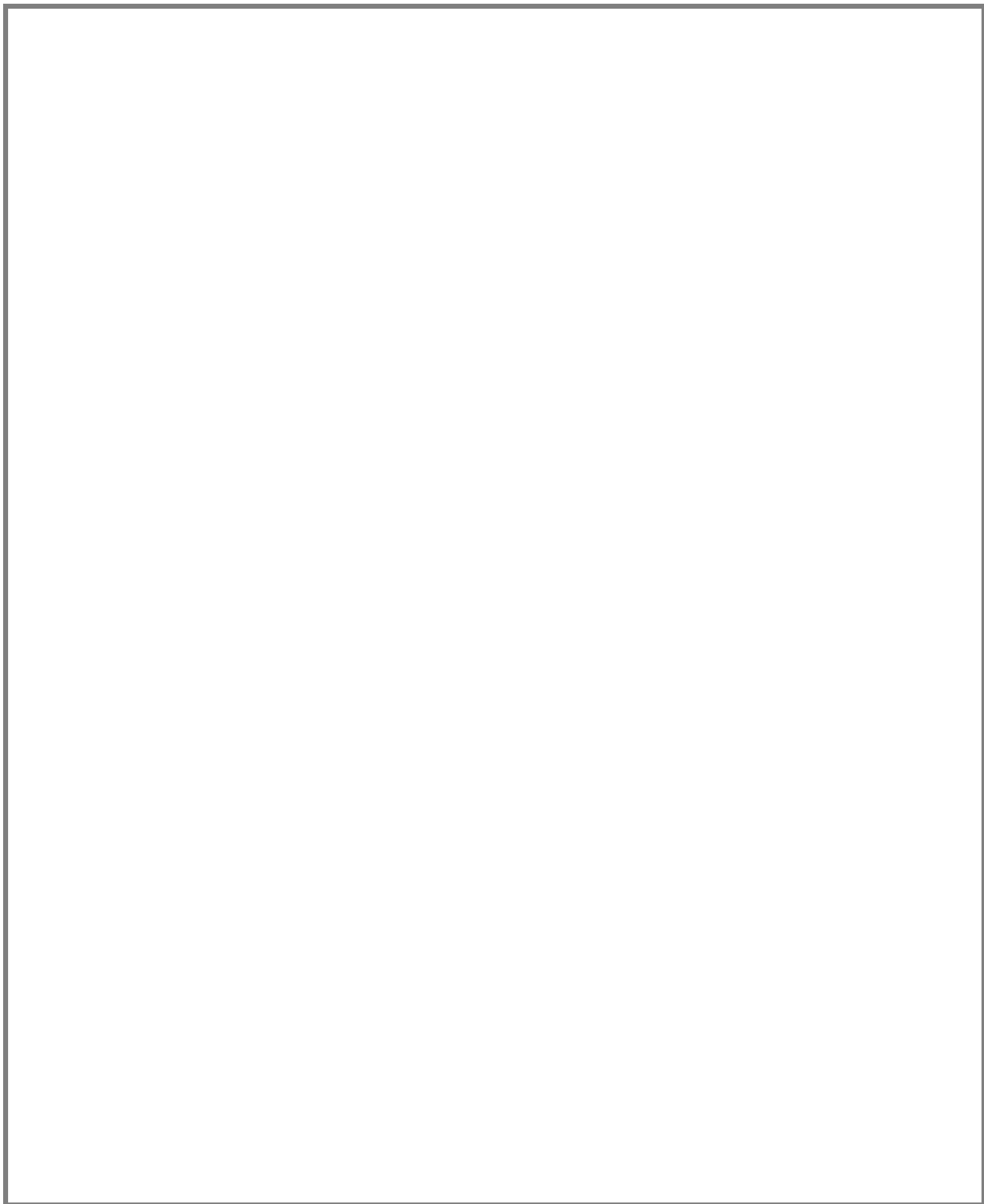
Have a lovely weekend,



Mr John Smith

**Principal**









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