



Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

It has been another week of hard work at TPA. This week, I have been amazed by the children's writing! In particular, the setting descriptions and diaries that have been produced by our children in Year 6. The children have used everything they have learned in their time at TPA to produce atmospheric writing about World War Two in Twickenham.

This week, I have spoken with several parents about homework. Each year group (except reception and Year 6) produce a termly homework grid, with a selection of learning challenges for areas of our broad and balanced curriculum which link to the class topic. We ask that children try these tasks to get a balance of home learning across the term. The teachers plan these tasks carefully to link to class learning and enable children to extend their knowledge in fun and creative ways. However, if you prefer to do a weekly maths and English task, then do split the larger tasks for these core areas across the six weeks, doing a little of each subject weekly. We also encourage you to read as often as possible at home with your child and to record this in their reading record; to practice the weekly spellings; and for children from Year 2 upwards, to use Times Tables Rock Stars at home to become fast and fluent at times tables. In Year 6, children are set weekly maths and English tasks to prepare them for secondary school. If you have any further questions about homework tasks, please do speak with me on the gate or with your child's class teacher.


Our visitor this week has been Rupi, our parent governor. She spoke with children in Year 5 about their learning and observed several lessons. Rupi will be writing about her visits to TPA in an upcoming newsletter.

A final thank you this week to the PTA for organizing the first fundraising event for the year – tonight's cinema club. This year, the PTA are continuing to fundraise towards the development of our main playground. We are looking forward to adding another climbing structure and a shelter to make the playground event better!

Have a peaceful and safe weekend,

Erin

Newsletter 05
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Principal: Mrs. Erin Moscardini

 Dates for NEXT WEEK	
01.10.24	Black History Month Begins
02.10.24	KS2 Maths & English Workshops – School Hall timing TBC.
03.10.24	EYFS Workshop – School Hall 17.00. KS1 Maths & English Workshop – School Hall timing TBC.
03.10.24	Reception to Year 2 Perform for Schools workshop from 9am to 12 noon.
06.10.24	Y6 RESIDENTIAL



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Celebrating Success!

Well done
to our stars
this week!

Maths
Superstars!



Book Fair
Winners!



Class News

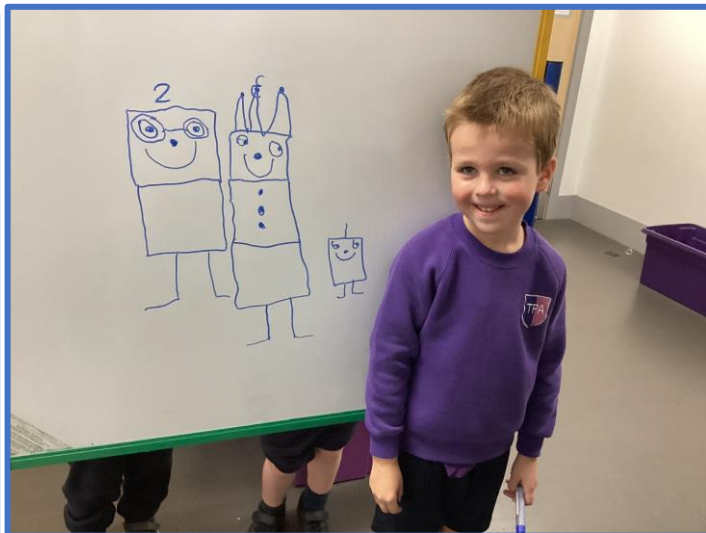
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Have you ever had 'mixed-up' feelings? This week as part of our exploration of the topic Marvellous Me, we have been exploring our feelings through the picture book The Colour Monster. We know that it is okay to feel differently from our friends, but it is important to remember that if you are feeling sad, like the blue Colour Monster or cross or frustrated like the red Colour Monster, that you talk to someone, so that you are not keeping these feelings bottled up inside.

In Maths, we have been further exploring the Numberblocks 1, 2 and 3; looking carefully at the special features they have that link to their name, for example, Number Block 1 has 1 eye and Number Block 3 has 3 buttons. We've also enjoyed our counting number rhymes, which we have been singing at the start of every Maths lesson this week.

During our Afternoon Learning, we have been celebrating European Day of Languages, with our friends teaching us all the different ways they say 'hello' at home. We have also been learning some simple British Sign Language to accompany some of our favourite picture books as we have been learning about International Week of Deaf People. In our Jigsaw Lesson, we have been sharing with Jigsaw Jeanie all the things we can do to get the very best out of our days at TPA.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,
The EYFS Team



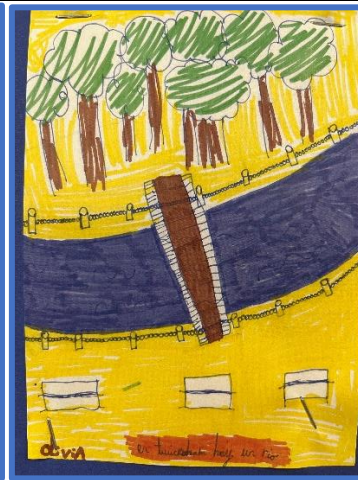
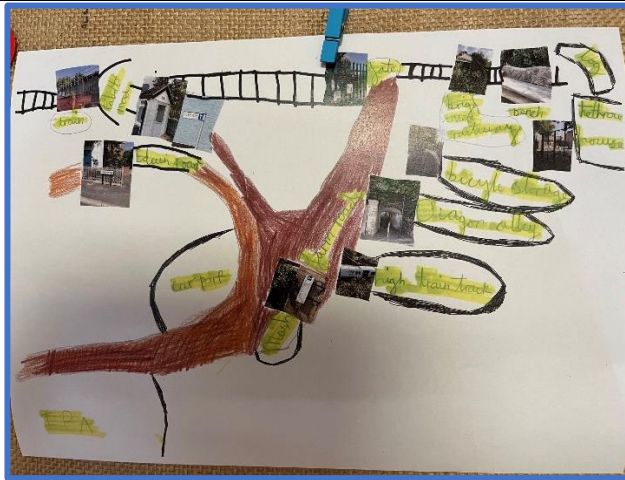
Y1

As part of our mathematics curriculum, we have been practising how to count on from any given number and how to identify one more. This is an essential skill that lays the foundation for further mathematical understanding. To reinforce this concept at home, you can encourage your child to count on from various numbers during everyday activities. For example, when you are setting the table or sorting out toys, ask them, "If we have three plates, how many will we have if we add one more?" This will help them become more comfortable with numbers in a fun and practical setting.

In addition to our maths activities, we have been diving into the charming story of Beegu. To further enrich this experience, we've created lost posters for Beegu, allowing the



	<p>children to express their creativity while applying their writing skills. This project encourages them to think imaginatively, as well as practice their descriptive writing.</p> <p>Have a wonderful weekend!</p> <p>Miss Clare and Miss Jessica</p>
Y2	<p>This week in Year 2, we have been hard at work!</p> <p>In English, we have been learning all about fact-files, picking out the features and planning our own. It was so helpful to visit so many landmarks on our school trip to London, where we saw The London Eye, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and more!</p> <p>Maths has been all about number lines, comparing and ordering. We have been so impressed with the children's efforts and their use of mathematical language in their answers.</p> <p>We explored Twickenham using Google Maps and even got a chance to direct Miss Sarah and Miss Annabel from the green to school and from the high-street to the station, using our best geographical terminology.</p> <p>Science caused some giggles as we discussed what materials work best for certain objects. We even discussed why a chocolate teapot might not be the best idea...</p> <p>Many thanks to our AMAZING parent volunteers for helping our Southbank trip, we hope to see more of you on our next one!</p>
Y3	<p>This week we have been very busy building our setting description skills. I have been so impressed with the vocabulary and use of language. We have been using preposition, expanded noun phrases, similes and fronted adverbials. I am blown away by how hard everyone has worked and we cannot wait to read the final pieces next week. In maths we have been building our knowledge of place value by finding one, ten and a hundred more and less than a range of numbers. We have enjoyed using resources to manipulate numbers and build on our reasoning skills. Today we have been using our knowledge of number to find and estimate numbers on a number line.</p>
Y4	<p>What a fun and busy week we had in Year 4! In English, the children have been writing character descriptions. In Maths they have been putting numbers on a numberline and working out the greater number using their place value skills. In Science, they continued learning about the digestive system and explored the functions of different organs.</p> <p>In art the children made beautiful paper sculptures in the style of Alexander Calder. In RE, the children carried on with their topic on Sikhism and made Sugared Sikh Water. In PSHE, they were fully engaged in learning about their role in society. In Computing, we had a fun and practical lesson where the children learnt about staying safe online and they created posters which will be shared around the school. In Geography the children created maps to show locations of landmarks from our fieldwork last week. And in Spanish we continued with our Geography work, learning how to say landmarks in Twickenham and Richmond in Spanish "En Twickenham hay un estadio de rugby".</p> <p>We are looking forward to attending the book fair after school every night next week! (Well done Geet and Erina for your winning entries for the book fair poster!)</p>



Y5

We've been quite busy again this week in Year 5! In English, we have been learning various grammar features to use when we write a diary entry on August's first day of school (from our text, Wonder). In Maths this week, we have been comparing and ordering numbers to one million. In Science, we are continuing our learning on our topic of Forces, and the children loved the experiment with the parachutes (ask them about it - it was pretty awesome). In our Geography lesson this week, we learned that England is broken up into counties, and then made leaflets extolling the virtues of Middlesex County. The children have had a chance to go to The Green for PE and practice some tag rugby in the hall. In PSHE we discussed the rights and responsibilities we have that help us have a good life. We are ending the week on a high, with Art and Golden Time! It's been a busy and productive week, thank you for your continued support.

Reminders for the week:

We have set the homework tasks for the week / half term. It is very important for the children to take their homework seriously and return completed homework on Thursday. If homework gets lost along the way, please let us know and we can send another set home. We will check daily that they have their diary and an appropriate reading book to read. Please encourage your child to take ownership of their diary and school supplies (we have provided pencil cases, pens, pencils, rubbers, purple pens and rulers) and to bring them in daily. We are encouraging reading throughout the day, so please ensure children bring a reading book that they enjoy reading daily. Also, please remember to make a note in the diary when they have read (independently or with you). Please share any concerns or notes with us in the diary.

Have a lovely weekend from the year 5 Team!