

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the summer term!

It has been brilliant to see how well the children have settled back to learning after half term. Today, I have been blown away by the Year 3 performance of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – well done to all the children (and Miss Kirstie, Miss Beth and the TA team)! You have all worked so hard. In the coming weeks, we have Art Week and Enterprise Week on the horizon. So, watch out for themed homework and children talking about our exciting lessons.

Just quick uniform and equipment reminder as we (hopefully) head towards some sunnier weather:

- If the weather is above 25 degrees, then please do not send your child in wearing a tie. Be reminded that children still need correct summer uniform (shirt, shorts, summer dress or play suit, or skirt). Do remember that sandals and crocs should not be worn at school as they do not allow children to run safely.
- Your child should bring a named, refillable drinks bottle each day.
- On sunny days, your child may need a sunhat and suncream (this should be applied before they come to school). We have limited shade on the playground and children will continue to do PE outside and on The Green during the hot days.
- All snacks should be healthy. No crisps or anything containing nuts (do remember that chicken satay is peanut-based and should not be eaten in school).

Finally, many of you will have heard that Mr. Sam has been injured in a car accident. He is recovering at home, but is not well enough to teach. We are keeping him and his family in our thoughts.

Have a lovely, sunny weekend,

Erin

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Principal: Mrs. Erin Moscardini

 Dates for NEXT WEEK	
Monday 10th– Friday 14th June	Year 6 – Class 1 – Group A – Bikeability Afternoons
Monday 10th – Friday 14th June	Year 1 – Phonics Screening
Tuesday 11th June	Year 2 – Fire of London Workshop
Thursday 13th June	New Reception Parents Meeting – School Hall 17.30
Friday 14th June	Sports Day (Twickenham Green)



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Office News

COMPULSORY SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

Apologies but we have an unavoidable and necessary maintenance event on Tuesday 11th June in the morning.

The children will miss their normal breaktime in the playground but we will provide a movement break to compensate.

Payments must be completed for this Academic Year

We must kindly ask all parents to bring all payments up to date. Outstanding funds may affect your child eligibility to join a club with any outstanding debt. If there are any concerns, please contact: finance@twickenhamprimaryacademy.org

YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY

Next week we begin with our first group of x15 completing their Bikeability with our instructors from LBRUT. Please ensure you bring your bikes and store them correctly in the bike racks. You may leave them at school for the week if this is easier but please know this is done at your own risk and you are advised to take the bikes home. The remaining x3 groups will begin their Bikeability on w/c 24th June.

Autumn Term 2024 Clubs and Wrap Around Care

We are pleased to announce that our TPA Clubs, Private Clubs & JAG (for Reception 2024) bookings will go live close of business next Friday 14th June. The Clubs letter & schedule will be issued on Tuesday 11th June with all information in advance of making your bookings from Friday onwards. Please note Breakfast Club bookings will follow once we have informed you of the club allocation for your child.

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SCHOOL SPORTS DAY NEXT WEEK – Friday 14th June

Sports Day is next Friday! All parents are welcome to attend the event.

Preparation: Please ensure ALL children are in P.E kits on this day and sun cream applied before coming to school and wear a hat.

Safeguarding: Children will come back to school to be dismissed as normal at their usual time. There will be **no picking up from The Green**. Children must wear their purple P.E tops. **No** house t-shirts as we must be able to clearly identify our children in our famous purple!

Parent Spectators: We kindly ask you to remain in the marked areas to view the children's activities. We understand it's very exciting to see the children in action but we must ask you to refrain from entering the children's activity area.

Schedule & Activities:

Year Group: EYFS/KS1 - 9.30am -11.30am	Year Group: KS2 - 1.30 pm-3.30 pm
Location: Cricket pitch side of The Green	Location: Cricket pitch side of The Green
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sack Race and Egg and Spoon• Running Race• Obstacle Course• Beanbag Throw	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Running race• Obstacle course• Javelin• Standing long jump

RECEPTION 2024 ADMISSIONS

We are very excited to welcome our new parents to the TPA Community.

ParentMail will be activated for our new joiners early next week. We will then begin to communicate via ParentMail and open the club bookings to our future Reception joiners to enable everyone to book at the same time.

We kindly ask for those with new siblings joining us in September to ensure all online forms have been completed and proof of Birth Certificate and Nursery Transition Forms are submitted ASAP.

We are hosting a Reception 2024 Parent Evening for our new joiners on Thursday 13th June at 17:30 in the school.

Attendance this week...

Class	Attendance %
Reception Turner	99.6
Reception Hepworth	94.8
Year 1 Potter	96.4
Year 1 Dahl	100.00
Year 2 Darwin	91.7
Year 2 Hawking	98.0
Year 3 Elgar	99.3
Year 3 Glennie	94.9
Year 4 Austen	93.8
Year 4 Dickens	98.2
Year 5 Moore	98.6
Year 5 Nightingale	90.4
Year 6 Farah	91.9
Year 6 Brown	97.3

Well done to:
Dahl
for the best attendance
this week!

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.



Lost Property

Please kindly note the lost property located by the main entrance will be inspected weekly due to perishable items that must be disposed due to hygiene. Please ensure you check regularly for lost items.

Please name all items

Sports News



BOROUGH SPORTS ATHLETICS

I want to express my sincere gratitude to the Year 6 children who took part in the Borough Sports Athletics event last Wednesday. All the athletes had the chance to compete in various activities such as sprinting, standing long jump, vortex, 600m, and shuttle relays at St. Mary's University Athletics track against other schools.

Great job, everyone!

Many thanks,

Kind regards,

Mr Wojciech



Notices



Friends of TPA Newsletter

Summer Term 2024: 7th June

Charity number: 1186147

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20TH JUNE 2024

SPORTS HALL

DOORS OPEN 4.30PM
KICK OFF 5PM


TPA TAVERN SELLING FOOD & DRINKS

CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES

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Tickets are free: please let us know you're coming via Classlist!

LAST FEW SEATS AVAILABLE



WICKED
A NEW MUSICAL
THE UNFOLD STORY OF THE WITCHES OF OZ

24th July at 2.30pm - last few tickets remaining!

FRIENDS OF TPA PRESENTS:

END OF YEAR DISCO

18th July 2024

Reception - Year 2: 5pm - 6.30pm
Year 3 - Year 5: 6.30pm - 8pm

TICKETS £5 AVAILABLE ON CLASSLIST

DISCO, GAMES, FOOD, DRINK!

Tickets available now via Classlist!

Don't forget to get your lottery ticket! There are guaranteed cash prizes every week plus a chance to WIN a £25,000 jackpot.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/friends-of-gems-twickenham-primary-academy>



YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY



Class News

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If you had a magical red umbrella, where would it take you? Would you float off into outer space or sail along the River Thames? Maybe you would use it as a fair ground ride or a magical time travelling machine, so you could visit the land of the dinosaurs.

This week in Literacy, we've begun to explore the beautiful wordless picture book *The Umbrella*. In this story, a little black dog finds a red umbrella, which takes him on a magical adventure. We have been using our imaginations to help put words to the pictures, making sure to include lots of detailed descriptions.

In Maths, we have been consolidating our understanding of number bonds to 10. We know we can use part-part-whole models, our fingers, number lines and counting on to support us in finding the answers. We also know that when we add, we can 'switch' the numbers around to help us find all our number bonds.

This week is Child Safety Week, though we did stress the importance that every single day we need to make sure we stay safe! We focused our discussions on Road Safety and being Sun Smart.

Next week's Rainbow Challenge tricky words: said, have, like

Have a wonderful weekend,
The EYFS Team

Y1

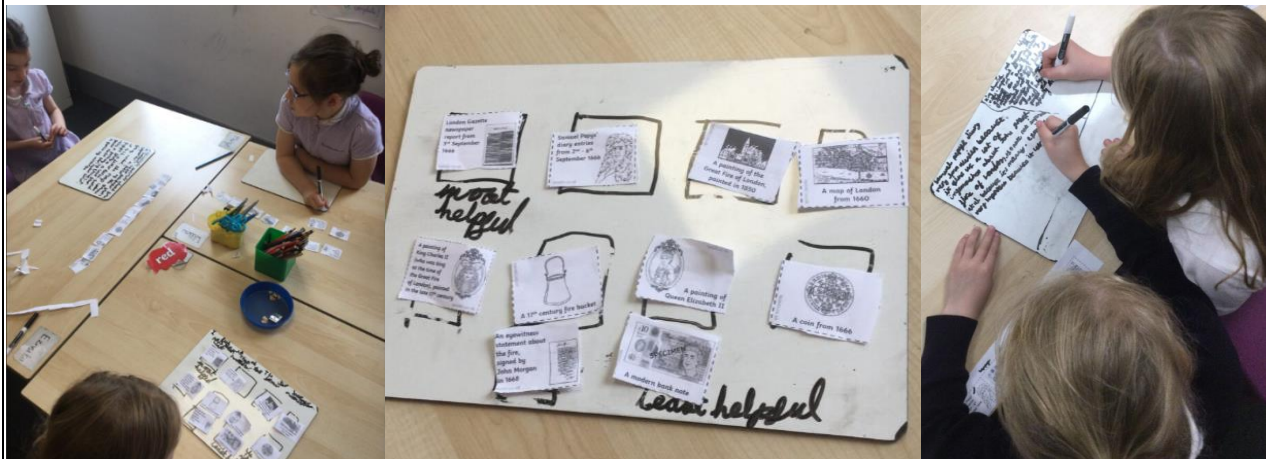
What an excellent first week back! We were incredibly honored and privileged to see Year 3's fantastic performance of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* on Thursday afternoon. The children loved watching this performance and you could see the pride in some of the children as they watched their siblings shine. This week in class we have been doing lots of work on phonics. We are excited to show off our marvellous skills next week. This week we even learned about suffixes and how these can change the meaning of words. In Maths we have been learning how to share amounts between two groups and have begun to recognize and make half of shapes. We have begun to explore our new theme 'Pioneers' where we have started learning all about Florence Nightingale. We will be learning more next week before moving on to learning about Mary Seacole.

Y2

This week in Year 2 we have been looking at telling the time, including quarter past and quarter to times. The children have learnt how to tell the time to the hour, using mini clocks to support them with their understanding of the hour hand and the minute hand. In English this week the children have been using their plans to write up their newspaper articles. These look so fantastic! They include an eye-catching headline, an introduction, a main body informing the reader about the Great Fire of London and a conclusion. They also included an illustration and a caption.



In topic this week the children looked at a range of historical sources and worked in partners to explain why they thought each source would be helpful or not helpful for learning more about the Great Fire of London. The children put the sources in order from helpful to least helpful and explained why.



Y3

Year 3 did an amazing job this week, their performance of Charlie and the chocolate factory was a resounding success we are so proud of them and all they have achieved!! Well done for all the dedication and practice, they really are a talented bunch.



Y4

A massive well done to the year 4 children this week for completing the Multiplication Tables Check! We are extremely impressed with their resilience and determination, and they should be extremely proud of themselves. The children finished up their unit on Money, by tackling money problems and we have just started our unit on Time by looking at days, weeks, months and years.

In English this half term, we will be focusing on our class book 'Wolf Brother', as a class we have read the first couple of chapters and have got to know the main characters. The



children have looked into the thoughts and feelings by completing a 'role on the wall' for our main character Torak. Year 4 will be building up to writing a diary entry from the point of view of our characters and had the chance to look at a range of different diary entries this week and the features they include.

This half term, we are continuing our unit on Sound, this week we looked at pitch. The children had to reorder the jumbled up glockenspiels using what they know about pitch and explain how they were able to do so. The children our continuing with their violin lessons this half term and were able to apply what they know about pitch during this time! We are studying Christianity this half term, we are looking into prayer and worship and the enquiry question 'Do people need to go to church to show that they are Christians? The children had an opportunity this week to think about a special place and the feelings they associate with that special place.

We have moved on from the Anglo Saxons and are now studying the Vikings in our history lessons. This week, we looked at 'Why the Vikings invaded Britian?', the children used what they learnt to write a postcard to their family back home on why they should come and join them in Britian.

Reminders: A new math sheet on time and spellings have been sent out this week for Summer 2. Please encourage your children to complete some of the Summer term homework activities, we look forward to seeing their creations!

The year 4 girls start their swimming lessons on Monday.

Best wishes,
The Year 4 team 😊

Y5

We have had a brilliant first week back of our final Summer term. We have all been doing some fantastic learning! In English we have looked at our new unit of natural disasters. We are writing instructions on how to survive and maximise your chances of survival during an Earthquake. In mathematics we have started our unit of negative numbers and how they are used in our day-to-day life. Science has seen us start our new topic of animals including humans where we focused on mammals and their life cycles. Geography saw us finding out about tectonic plates and how the earth is split like a jigsaw. In art we looked at the lives and work on Frida Khalo and Edgar Degas and the themes they present in their artwork. Finally in PE we are preparing the pupils for sports day amongst teaching them the skills of hockey too.

We hope you have an amazing weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday

Y6

Year 6 has had a busy first week back after the half-term break! In English, we have begun planning a character description based on the book we are reading for Guided Reading - The Final Year. In Math, we are doing themed projects that consolidate our learning throughout the year. In History, we finished our learning on the Maya, learning about the famous explorers that brought the issue to the wider public. In RE, we finished up the unit on Christianity by discussing forgiveness and eternal love. In PSHE, we started our final unit on 'Changing Me' where we discussed self-image and how to be confident in ourselves (and not rely on material things). And we are ending the week with Computing, PE and Golden Time - what a week!

Reminders for the week:

We have set new homework for this term. It is very important for the children to take their homework seriously and complete it to be prepared for the rigorous expectations of secondary school. If homework gets lost along the way, please let us know and we can send another set home. We have issued new diaries for those that cannot find their diaries. We will check daily that they have their diary and an appropriate reading book to read. As we prepare them for next year, we will encourage them to make notes about upcoming dates in their diary, as well as any notes about schoolwork and reading. Please keep encouraging your child to take ownership of their diary and school supplies (we have provided some pens / pencils) and to bring them in daily. Next year, it will be vital for the children to be responsible for both their work and their supplies. 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 great weekend!

Natalie, Nadira, Richelle, Katie, Tina and Zaneta