



Templar Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 2nd February 2024



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	100% - For the 4 th week in a row!
Courtenay	95%
Templar	96%

This week's whole school attendance: 96.6%

Last week's whole school attendance: 98.1%

RAG Rating		98% and above
		96.1%- 97.9%
		96% and below

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

Spellings – this week's spellings + revision of previous weeks' rules as Miss Blakesley will test you on words from previous weeks.

Reading: Please see separate sheet – our Reading Den needs updating!

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been unusual and, at times, a little bit bonkers in Templar class as the Year 6s complete another practice SATs cycle. The purpose of these practice weeks is to instil confidence in the children so that they are completely familiar with the necessary routines and the papers themselves: we want the children to feel excited and motivated by the tests and because they have practiced papers from previous years half-termly, it takes the fear away. Very, very well done to the Year 6s for the effort they have shown this week: ASM is immensely proud of you. However, it is not just Year 6 that are impacted by a practice SATs week: the other year groups in Templar have to show great flexibility and patience as their timetable changes and the whole school also comes together to support us, with timetables occasionally changing for other year groups so that adults can be released. All Saints Marsh really is a small school with a big heart

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and Templar class would like to thank everyone for getting behind our amazing Year 6s on such an important week.

In other learning, we are nearing the end of our History unit entitled, 'How did the kingdom of Benin change Europe's perception of Africa?' I have been so impressed by how Year 5 and 6 have taken to this unit: although the Benin civilization ran from 1200-1800, the children have understood the value of learning lessons from the past to shape our future. Meanwhile, in Science, we have completed even more experiments! This time, we conducted three experiments at the same time, changing one variable at a time to observe evaporation and the process of filtering.

Star of the Week

George for a much improved attitude to his learning. George is starting to recognise his amazing potential and we are really proud of you George; keep it up and aim for the stars!

Mrs Mott and Miss Blakesley
Templar Class teachers

Please note:

PE for Year 5 and 6: Wednesday and Thursday.
PE for Year 4: Thursday and Friday.

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN


We Believe



In school this week we have continued to focus on the value of perseverance and what it feels like to fail at something. In Active Worship this week we have considered how many times Scientists get things wrong when working on developing something that will go on to help so many people. We have then considered again how we feel when we make mistakes but how we need to embrace the value of perseverance to pick ourselves up and go again. We have also looked at the St Paul who said 'Even when I want to do the good and right thing, I don't. In fact, I tend to do the very thing I don't want to do.' The children will continue to consider the impact of mistakes and the learning that comes from this.

We are Stronger Together

Next week, our school will be participating in Safer Internet Day, dedicated to promoting a safer online environment for our children. On Tuesday your child will engage in age-appropriate sessions, equipping them with valuable tools to navigate the digital world responsibly. For more information about Safer Internet Day and how you can further support your child at home, please visit www.saferinternetday.org.

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Together, let's ensure a secure and positive online experience for our children

We all belong in our School Trust

What a brilliant day we had celebrating all things number. The school transformed into a spectacle of creativity, with the children representing different Maths concepts in their costumes. We explored a world without Maths in the lead up to number day and it has been great to hear the children reflecting on the Maths skills they use every day without even knowing! The sight of the children celebrating Maths in such a spirited manner was truly a testament to the magic that learning can hold.

In realising the possible so that all children can flourish

We are excited to announce Athletics club for KS1 will start after half term. Athletics is not just about running; it's about discovering the incredible world of jumping, throwing, and teamwork. Our club promises a fantastic experience, nurturing your child's physical abilities and fostering a love for sports. We can't wait to see them sprint, jump, and throw their way to success while making friends and creating lasting memories. KS1 after school club will start on Thursday 22nd Feb weekly until Thursday 21st March 3 - 4pm for all KS1 children. Please sign up via MCAS under Clubs. This half term it is athletics!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2024

8.2.24 – Candlemass (Year 6)

9.2.24 Courtenay Class Forest School

12.2.24 – 16.2.24 Half Term

21.2.24 Rags to Riches Collection

23.2.24 Courtenay Class Forest School

26.2.24 – 28.2.24 Year 4 Residential

4.3.24 6.3.24 7.3.24 Parent Consultations

8.3.24 Courtenay Class Forest School

8.3.24 PTFA Parent / Carer Day Craft


15.3.24 Red Nose Day

15.3.24 –National Child Measurements (R and Yr 6) – Moved to 24th May

21.3.24 Cricket Engagement Day

22.3.24 Courtenay Class Forest School

26.3.24 PTFA Non School Uniform (details to follow)

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28.3.24 PTFA Forde Class Bake Sale

29.3.24 – 12.5.24 Half Term

7.3.24 World Book Day

27.3.24 – Easter Service 1.30pm

29.3.24 – 12.4.24 Easter Break

30.4.24 Maths Challenge Day – Year 5 – details to follow.

23.5.24 PTFA Courtenay Bake Sale

24.5.24 National Child Measurements (R and Yr 6)

27.5.24 – 7.6.24 Half Term and Non Pupils Days

14.6.24 PTFA Parent / Carer Craft Day

20.6.24 PTFA Templar Bake Sale

27.6.24 Sports Day / PFA Summer Fete

11.7.24 Sports Day / PTFA Summer Fete (Reserve date)

22.7.24 Leavers Assembly at St Paul's

24.7.24 End of Term

FAMILY SUPPORT



Hey!

Did you know... from April, even more working families can **save money on childcare**

We will be running information sessions, on what funding is available, eligibility and how to apply.

Childcare Choices

[Click here to join the session](#)

Wednesday 7th February 2024 (19.30-20.30)

[Click here to join the session](#)


Wednesday 14th February 2024 (16.00-17.00)

[Click here to join the session](#)

Monday 5th February 2024 (10.00-11.00)

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PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2024
moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from From Mon 12th - Fri 23rd February 2024

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids up to £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

GREENE KING PUBS

Kids Eat Free all-day with the purchase of an adult's meal. Deal, Monday-Friday, between Mon 12th - Friday 23rd February 2024

TRAVELDODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase a full priced adult's main meal (App needed)

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Mon 12th - Fri 23rd February 2024 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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Wild Embers SEND Holiday Clubs



Our holiday club involves a range of activities designed to promote and enhance SEMH (social emotional mental health) and support children with high support needs by fostering a community of learners through resilience building and creative projects, from fire lighting, to clay modelling, to outdoor cooking and nature identification.

HELD IN DARTINGTON

April 2nd; April 4th; May 28th & May 29th

Cost: Minimum donation of £5

Bookings: email admin@wildembers.org



FREE TREE AND SEED GIVEAWAY



SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 10AM-1PM
AT THE COURTENAY CENTRE, NEWTON ABBOT

Free event!

Come along to get involved with nature and green activities in the community.

Free tree giveaway- Collect up to 3 trees to plant out
 *Trees only available until they run out

Free woodland crafts and activities for everyone.

Our Café will be open serving hot drinks and delicious cake

Find out more about volunteering opportunities and the chance to get involved in green spaces and local nature projects

Bring surplus seeds to swap or take some for growing



Half-term trail

THE TWITCHERS
 MUSEUM ADVENTURE



WIN one of five book bundles!

JOIN BIRDWATCHING DETECTIVES, THE TWITCHERS, AND EXPLORE THE BEAUTIFUL BIRDS AND AMAZING ANIMALS AT NEWTON ABBOT MUSEUM

Complete a trail in the Museum and share your drawing on social media to enter a prize draw!

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OFFICE NEWS

SCHOOL DINNERS

On Monday's (on the week 1 menu) we have jacket potato day. The children can choose from several options including Bolognese/ Vegan bolognese sauce along side Coleslaw, cheese, tuna and beans.


After School Club

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COMMUNITY NEWS

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

Saturday 10th February to Saturday 17th February
at Newton Abbot Library



Join us for a Secret Book Quest takeover this Half Term!

Sign up to the Secret Book Quest for FREE at the library!
Perfect for ages 5+

Libraries Unlimited

STORY TIME With author Anne Parsons

Thursday 15th February
11am - 12pm
Newton Abbot Library

Join author Anne Parsons as she reads from her latest book **Archie, Go!** followed by themed crafts. This is the third and final instalment in the Archie series

Anne will also be selling signed copies of her book if you would like to buy one!

No booking necessary

Suitable for ages 5-10



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STOVER GALAXY EXPLORERS

12TH - 16TH FEBRUARY 2024

MILKY WAY MINI GOLF
SPACE JAM BASKETBALL
METEORITE MULTISPORT
FIRE FOOTBALL
DEEP SPACE DODGEBALL
HALO HOCKEY
MOONBEAM TENNIS
COSMIC CRICKET
INTERGALACTIC ARTS & CRAFTS



Museum Make and Create



2024 - A year of Noticing

Make a Journal

The museum looks after some fascinating diaries and journals from the past that document life in Newton Abbot. Created by local people, they share observations, thoughts, drawings, and stories that capture events during the year in which they were made. Be inspired to create your own journal that you can fill with stories and pictures of your year throughout 2024.



Saturday 3rd February

10:30am-12:30pm

Toddler Tuesdays

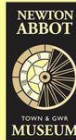
Weekly FREE sessions

for 0-4 years

(Term Times Only)

Please pre-book on our website

Story Time
Play
Rhyme Time
Sing-Along
Craft activities once a month



Every Tuesday 9.30am-10:30am



HOPE Programme
Anxiety and Depression



HOPE Programme for people living with low level anxiety and depression - starting Tuesday 6th February!

The Help Overcoming Problems Effectively (HOPE) Programme supports individuals to focus on themselves as a person, and to consider "What is important to me?". It is a FREE, six week, self-management programme where we bring groups of people together that are going through a similar experience. You are not alone.

The course will be held at Buckland Community Centre in Newton Abbot and will run from 1-3:30pm on the following dates:

Tuesday 6th February
Tuesday 13th February
Tuesday 20th February
Tuesday 27th February
Tuesday 5th March
Tuesday 12th March



Scan the QR code to book online




Call - 01803 320696/320600

Email - hope.devon@nhs.net

Website:

<https://myhealth-devon.nhs.uk/local-services/hope-programme>



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