



Tanworth-in-Arden C of E Primary School & Nursery

In God's family, learning, loving, growing to be our very best

14th February 2025

Dear Parents,

Well as always, the half-term seems have to flown by and it's hard to believe that it's been 6 weeks since we returned from the Christmas break. I hope that you found the Parents Meetings this week informative and enjoyed looking at your children's learning in their books. We brought them forward this year, they are normally just before the Easter break, and so we would really appreciate your feedback on whether you prefer them now or a little later in the year.

In assembly on Tuesday I shared the good news that some of our Year 3 and Year 4 children have had their short stories chosen to be included in a book. The children all wrote short stories around the theme of 'The Magical Map'. Children whose work has been chosen will have brought home a letter with details. Please note that parents will need to give permission for their children's work to be included.

On Thursday this week the Year 6 children led Family Time. The theme this week was linked to our half-term value of perseverance. The year six children shared with the children the amazing British woman Jasmin Paris. Jasmin is the first female runner to complete one of the world's toughest races. Jasmin, is one of only 20 people to have finished the Barkley Marathons in Tennessee, USA, since it was extended to 100 miles in 1989 and has said she did it for "women worldwide". Thank you to Year 6 children for taking on this responsibility and doing such a fantastic job of teaching all of the children.

Random Act of Kindness Day is held annually on February 17th, although we can all practice random acts of kindness all year. On page 4 of this newsletter is a leaflet from the Mental Health in Schools Team, which we invite you to share with your child. After half-term I will be asking the children if they have demonstrated any random acts of kindness so we can create a kindness display in school.

The children have also all been given their 'WOW Active' log ons. There is a half-term challenge to encourage children to keep active over the half-term break (please see further information on page 5 of the newsletter).

Finally, there are still places left at the holiday club at Tanworth next week. Onside will be running the activity club at school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.30am -3.30pm. Bookings can be made direct with Onside at <https://www.onsidecoaching.co.uk/>.

Wishing you all a lovely half-term break,

Mrs Bamford

Headteacher

TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN PTA

Happy Valentines Day! We hope you enjoy your doughnuts after school today!

Our next event is our SPONSORED PANCAKE FLIP!

Our event will be held on 28th February during school time! Your child will have received a sponsorship form today to collect sponsors over half term! And all forms and money to be returned to school on 3rd March please.

Thank you in advance for your kind generosity.

Our AGM is 24th February at 7pm, we hope to see you all there, to discuss future ideas, learn about what we've achieved this past year, decide what to use the remaining fundraising money for and decide what we will next fundraise for! Have your say, and shape the enhanced learning for our children. Please do come along! All welcome!

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VALUES SERVICE IN CHURCH



Today in Church we recognised and celebrated the children who had been identified as demonstrating our half-term Christian value of 'perseverance'.

Reception

Henry R- Henry is a resilient and determined member of Reception class. He sets himself challenges throughout the day, and he works hard to achieve them. This half term Henry has especially shown perseverance towards his writing. He hasn't always found writing easy, but he will always try his best and have a go, and he has made amazing progress with his handwriting. It has been so lovely to see your confidence grow Henry!

Year 1

Joshua K- Well done to Joshua who has been working hard and showing the value of perseverance this term. Joshua has been listening hard to advice, practising at home and working hard at school with his handwriting. He has kept trying his best even when it has been difficult. The true meaning of perseverance is staying motivated to complete the journey to a goal even if that requires some hard work. If you look at Joshua's handwriting now you will see super progress and an improved style. Well done Joshua, thank you for your perseverance, we can now all read your fantastic ideas!

Year 2

Phoebe B- This certificate is awarded to Phoebe for her exceptional perseverance and commitment to always trying her best. Phoebe consistently demonstrates a determined spirit, never giving up even when faced with challenges. She approaches every task with patience, trying different strategies when needed. In every subject, she shows great enthusiasm when trying a new challenge. Phoebe is someone who is proactive in asking for help when needed, showing that perseverance is not just about persistence, but also about knowing when to ask for support. Not only does Phoebe show perseverance with her own attitude to learning, but she also encourages her peers to persevere with her kind words, inspiring them to persist through difficulties. I am so proud of you Phoebe!

Year 3

Devon S- Devon is receiving the perseverance certificate for his incredible determination and effort in improving his division skills. Each day, he has approached his learning with a positive attitude, never letting challenges discourage him. When he found division tricky at first, he showed resilience by asking for support, using resources to help him understand, and practising consistently. Over time, he has grown more confident, mastering division by partitioning, exploring flexible partitioning, and now successfully tackling division with remainders. His hard work and willingness to keep trying, even when faced with difficulties, are a fantastic example of perseverance in learning. Well done, Devon!

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Year 4

Olivia W— has been chosen for the value of perseverance as she shows us every day that challenges are not something to avoid but instead that they are opportunities to grow and learn. Olivia faces all of her challenges and tricky learning with determination and positivity which has paid off recently as she is becoming a confident and self-assured learner. Olivia approaches every task with a 'can-do' attitude - whether she's tackling a tricky maths problem, improving her writing, or learning a new skill - she puts in her best effort and doesn't let setbacks stop her. She listens carefully to feedback and always pushes forward so that she can achieve her best in everything she does. Olivia's resilience is a reminder to all of us that trying hard will help us to achieve great things. Keep this up Olivia!

Year 5

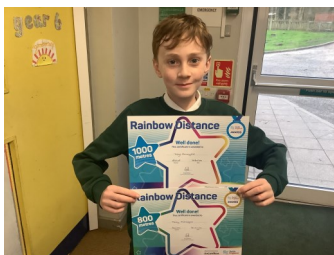
Like with all other Value certificates, as a class, we voted (anonymously) for who we felt deserved this certificate. Many children chose to vote for Taiya, which was ideal. When I think of perseverance, I think of Taiya. Taiya shows us every day what it means to never give up. Whether solving a tricky problem, working through friendships with kindness, or encouraging others to make the right choices, she always perseveres with grace and determination. She faces challenges with a smile, proving that no obstacle is too big when you have courage and faith. Her unwavering spirit inspires us all, and we are so proud of you. Congratulations, Taiya! Keep shining brightly and leading with perseverance.

Year 6

Olivia M - Olivia is someone who never gives up, even when things get tough – and that's what perseverance is all about! When something's tricky, she doesn't shy away from it; instead, she dives right in and actually enjoys the challenge of figuring it out. Perseverance isn't just about sticking with something, though – it's about learning from mistakes and not just repeating the same thing over and over. Olivia really understands this, and is always prepared to adapt her approach, thinking creatively to find solutions when things are challenging. She is eager to learn and grow, and her determination, paired with her positive attitude when things are difficult is inspiring. Keep it up, Olivia – you're a true example of perseverance!

EXTRA SPECIAL MENTION

A huge congratulations to Toby F for demonstrating our half term value of perseverance in his swimming lessons. Toby has completed his 800m and 1000m award - which involved swimming lengths for just over an hour without stopping! We are very proud of your determination! Well done, Toby!



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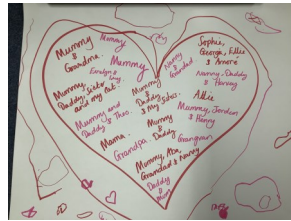
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NURSERY NEWS

This week in nursery we have been thinking about love. In particular who we love and who loves us in return. Our story of the week has been 'In My Heart' by Jo Witek. This gave us a wonderful opportunity to think about our feelings and the children have been keen to share with me how their heart is feeling every morning during group time. We also welcomed Mary for the first time this year for our lovely 'Little Ones' session. The children enjoyed a bible story, prayers and songs. Mary invited the children to also attend a 'Little Ones' service during the half term break, this will be taking place in the church at 10am on Thursday 20th February. Wishing all our families a wonderful and restful half term break.



MHST Mental Health in Schools Team Tips For Wellness



Kindness

Kindness means being friendly, generous, and considerate to others. It's all about showing care and respect through our actions and our words.

Random Acts of Kindness Day is celebrated each year on **February 17th**, however you can practice random acts of kindness all year round!

Ideas for random acts of kindness

Here are some easy ideas to spread kindness:

- Give compliments – A genuine compliment can make someone's day brighter.
- Hold the door open for someone.
- Share a smile – Smiling at people can help to boost their mood.
- Send a thank you note – Write a note of appreciation to someone who has helped you.
- Be a good listener – Sometimes, all someone needs is someone to talk to.
- Help your teacher – Offer to hand out something to the class or do something to help them.
- Ask someone how their day is going – Asking someone about their day can make them feel cared for and happier.
- Pick up a piece of litter.
- Offer to help someone at home.

Why is being kind important?

Kindness is contagious! When you show kindness, it inspires others to do the same.

When you are kind to someone, it can help them to feel happy, it can brighten their day and boost their mood.

Kindness can help to make schools, homes and communities more welcoming and friendly. When people are kind, everyone feels more comfortable which can lead to better relationships and friendships.

In Coventry and Warwickshire, for any urgent mental health concerns, contact the RISE Crisis Helpline available 24/7, by calling NHS 111. Alternatively, call 999 or visit A&E in an emergency, for example if medical attention is required.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.

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Who's Ready To

POWER UP

Motivate. Achieve. Succeed

With Our Half-Term Challenge

We hope you have received your child's login details to access their **WOW ACTIVE** scores and challenge cards! Over the half-term, we are looking for children to complete exercises from their challenge cards and share the videos with us. If you have a twitter account, upload a short video demonstrating you being physically active and tag @PremEdMidlands!

Who knows? You could have your very own little Joe Wicks!

PREMIER HALF-TERM CHALLENGE

1. Access your child's Challenge Card
2. Complete the exercises on the Challenge Card
3. Your child would then look to deliver a warm-up session during their PE Lesson



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HOLIDAY
CAMPS

FEBRUARY HALFTERM

Wednesday 19th
to Friday 21st February

Active Kids
Course!



Fun, active, and flexible
childcare for ages 5 -12

ONLY **£22** per day

BRAND NEW VENUE IN SOLIHULL

Tanworth in Arden Primary School, B94 5AJ

9.30am - 3.30pm

Early Drop off available from 8.30am +£3

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ADVANCE NOTICE

Thursday 6th March is World Book Day and once again we are inviting children (and staff) to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

21st March Comic Relief (further details to follow from the School Council)

Friday 28th March Mother's Day Shop. The pop up shop will be open in school for children to buy a present for Mum, Gran, Auntie etc.

Friday 11th April we break up for Easter and it has been a long standing tradition that the children of Tanworth take part in an Easter parade around the village. The parade leaves school around 1.10pm. We parade around the village turning right out of school towards Doctors Hill, then across to Bell Field before turning left, walking back to school past The Green and the Church. All children and staff wear an Easter bonnet/hat. Children should bring their Easter bonnet/hat into school on Friday 11th April. Year 6 children will partner up with their Reception Buddy who will support them on the parade.

SPRING TERM

Friday 14th February School and Nursery break up for half-term
 Monday 24th February School and Nursery open for children
 Monday 24th February 7pm PTA AGM 7pm in the school hall
 Thursday 6th March World Book Day
 Friday 21st March Comic Relief Day
 Friday 28th March Mother's Day Shop
 Friday 11th April Easter Bonnet Parade
 Friday 11th April School and Nursery close for Easter

SUMMER TERM

Monday 28th April School and Nursery re-open
 Monday 5th May Bank Holiday School and Nursery closed
 Friday 9th May PTA Treat Friday
 Monday 12th May to Thursday 15th May Year 6 SATS week
 Friday 16th May Non-school uniform donations for Father's Day Shop
 Friday 23rd May School and Nursery close for half-term
 Monday 2nd June School and Nursery closed Teacher Training Day
 Tuesday 3rd June School and Nursery re-open
 Monday 7th July-Friday 11th July Year 6 Residential to Conover
 Friday 18th July School and Nursery close for summer holiday
 Monday 21st July School and Nursery closed teacher training day

WCC School Term and Holiday Dates - 2024/25

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Half Term	Days
1	40
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5	19
6	36
Total	195

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Autumn Term	75
Spring Term	65
Summer Term	55

School Holiday
 Public Holiday
 Teacher Training Day (+3 to be set by school)

Secondary School Induction Day



School and Nursery are also closed on: Monday 2nd June 2025 and Monday 21st July 2025 for Teacher Training .

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