



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

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

3rd October 2025

Dear Parents,

It has been lovely this week showing parents around who are looking for a Reception place for September 2026. The Year 6 children took on the responsibility of giving the tours and they all did a fantastic job. The feedback from the parents was all very complimentary about our Year 6 pupils, so well done Year 6.

Applications for starting school in September 2026 open on November 1st and all applications need to be made through the council where you live. You can find more information by clicking on this link <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/421/applying-for-a-primary-school-place>

Don't forget that on Wednesday 15th October at 6.30pm there will be an opportunity for current parents to come into school for an information session, where I will be sharing not only recent successes but also the school priorities for this academic year. Please note this session is for adults only and children should not attend.

Well done to Year 4 who did a fantastic job this morning leading the Harvest Service in Church, retelling the story of the loaves and fish and singing such lovely Harvest songs. It was great to see so many parents and family members join us in Church for this special service. Thank you also for all the generous food donations. All of the items donated will be delivered to Birmingham City Mission, who are always extremely grateful for the food.

Reception parents are invited in on Wednesday 8th October to find out not only how we teach phonics and early writing in school but also give tips on what you can do at home to support your child. Miss Evens will be leading the session and all parents of Reception children are invited to come along. Information will be shared on the website if you can not make the session.

I hope the parents who attended the Online Safety session found the information useful. For those of you who missed it here is a link to a recording <https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/online-safety-parent-session-oct-2025/> Please also find attached to this newsletter the October online safety newsletter. This month there is information about You Tube and WhatsApp.

A huge thank you to the PTA who arranged for two Dads, Matt and Dave, to come in on Monday and fix the Forest School fence. As you know Forest School has been out of use since we came back but thankfully due to the generosity and hard work of the PTA we will be able to start using this fantastic space again from next week. There is still a little tidying of this area to do so please look out over the next couple of weeks for a little plea for help with moving rubbish etc.

Finally, we will be holding our Autumn Parent Meetings on Tuesday 21st October and Thursday 23rd October. This is a chance for you to book an appointment to speak with your child's class teacher about how they have settled into the new year, discuss attainment and also discuss next steps. Please note the Tuesday appointments will be face to face in the school hall and the Thursday appointments will be via Microsoft Teams. You will receive an email today at 5pm to book a time. Please note there are a set number of appointments for each session but following parental feedback we now have allocated more face to face appointments.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Bamford, Headteacher

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## ***PINS Project - A chance to help shape SEND Provision at Tanworth***



Mr Fidler would also like to share another opportunity for parents to come into school to find out about the PINS (Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools)

*The Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) is a national initiative in the UK that aims to improve support for neurodiverse students in mainstream primary schools by bringing together health, education, and parent carers to enhance Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) provision and foster closer collaboration.*

*We are pleased to be taking part in this initiative this year as we strive to improve our provision for all pupils, especially those who are neurodiverse.*

*How can you get involved?*

*Part of the project includes parent carer engagement sessions and meetings held at school. These sessions are designed to gather parents' input on current school provision and how it can be improved for neurodiverse children.*

*We are inviting parents to come to the sessions to share their experiences, honest thoughts and ideas. Through these discussions, parents can help influence whole-school SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) provision, leading to lasting, sustainable change.*

*The first session, which is run by Warwickshire Parent/Carer Voice will just be with parents (no school staff) and will take place on Tuesday 14th October, from 9-10am. There will be drinks and biscuits, if that sways your decision!*

*Please look out next week for more information about the session which will be sent by email.*

*Many thanks for your support.*

*Mr Fidler (SENCo)*

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## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday we had our Celebration Assembly. This is a chance to celebrate and recognise children who have either demonstrated outstanding behaviour and manners or outstanding effort and attainment. Two children from each class are chosen and parents/family members are invited in to hear why their child has been chosen and to see them receive their certificate.

### Reception:

Once again I have been really pleased with all the children in Reception this week. We have been reading the book The Little Red Hen and the children have all been really engaged not only retelling the story but also discussing whether Little Red Hen should have shared the bread. The children have also really impressed me with their mark making inside speech bubbles of the characters from the story. Well done Reception, I am really proud of you, you are all super stars!

### Year 1:

Frankie- Frankie comes into school and is ready to learn from the moment he walks into school. He is an amazing role model for our school value of 'ready' and is one of the first on the carpet with the correct equipment every day. In year 1, we can count on Frankie to make good choices and to help others make the best choice. Frankie always gives 110 percent in every lesson, sharing his ideas and then putting them into practice in COOL time. Furthermore, Frankie is an exceptional artist and spends his COOL time drawing and helping others learn a love of art. Frankie, you are a superstar, well done.

Matilda- I cannot say how proud the Year 1 team is of Matilda. She has come back to school not only with a huge smile but also ready to learn. Matilda is like a sponge for all learning. She tries so hard and asks questions about the things we have learned in the classroom. Recently, Matilda has not only become an author by writing her own book, but was also the illustrator, drawing all the pictures herself. With Matilda in the class, I don't need to worry. She is so kind and always goes out of her way to help her classmates who may not have finished yet, guiding them through the work. Matilda, you are a ray of sunshine, and your excellence shines through in every aspect. Thank you for being you.

Teddy- This certificate is awarded to Teddy in recognition of his behaviour and manners. Teddy has demonstrated a positive attitude towards his learning, showing perseverance and resilience even when faced with challenges. The amount of growth that Teddy has accomplished over the summer is astounding. It has been a delight to see how Teddy has matured. Teddy has taken to year 1 like a duck to water and is a brilliant role model of our school rules. He comes in ready to learn, he is respectful to not only his classmates but also the other children in the school, and he is safe in his play. Well done Teddy, we are so proud.

### Year 2:

Archer- I have chosen Archer for behaviour and manners because he is always so polite and respectful to both his peers and adults. He always demonstrates exemplary behaviour and manners and really is a role model when it comes to our school rules of ready, respectful and safe. He approaches both his learning and social interactions with a mature and thoughtful attitude, showing responsibility and consideration for others. Archer is also gentle, caring, and kind towards others, helping to create a positive and supportive learning environment. Well done, Archer!

Isobel-Isobel has shown an excellent work ethic and a determined attitude towards her learning, starting each day with a beaming smile. She has been working especially hard on her reading, and her effort is clearly paying off. Isobel is also taking great pride in the presentation of her work, particularly in Maths, where she has shown growing confidence when partitioning two-digit numbers. Isobel has such an eagerness to learn and there is no doubt that this positive attitude will continue to help her succeed throughout Year 2. Well done, Isobel!

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### Year 3:

Tate—Tate has been chosen for his exemplary behaviour and manners. He is a delight to have in class, always respectful and considerate, with just the right touch of cheekiness that never oversteps the mark. Tate works hard, always striving to do his best and seeking support when needed or when wanting to improve. He is a ray of sunshine in our classroom, arriving each day with a beaming smile that brightens everyone's morning.

Emily—Emily has been chosen for her excellent effort and achievement, starting the year with real determination and energy. She is working incredibly hard and making fantastic progress. Even when she finds things tricky, Emily shows resilience and perseverance, making good use of classroom tools and seeking help when needed. Her positive attitude and commitment to her learning are wonderful to see – keep it up, Emily, well done!

### Year 4:

Theo – Theo has been chosen this week for the behaviour and manners award because of the respectful and thoughtful way he conducts himself every day. He is always ready for each lesson showing great focus and responsibility and he listens actively and attentively whenever someone is speaking. Theo speaks with kindness and consideration towards others and consistently puts the needs of those around him before his own. His selfless attitude and positive presence make him a real role model in our class. Well done, Theo!

Charlotte – Charlotte has been chosen this week for the effort and achievement award for her fantastic attitude in maths. She always tries her best to work independently, even when she finds something tricky and shows great determination to succeed. Charlotte makes good use of scaffolding when she needs it and can then confidently apply this to her work. She pushes herself by setting tricky challenges and never gives up, showing real perseverance and resilience. Well done, Charlotte! I know your hard work will pay off.

### Year 5:

Myles- Myles has been awarded this certificate for his outstanding effort and attainment. He always tries his very best in everything he does, showing a real determination and commitment to his learning. He listens carefully to instructions, asks thoughtful questions to improve his work and deepen his understanding, and encourages those around him to make positive choices. Recently, during family time, he set a wonderful example by supporting the younger children in Year 1, helping them with their work and motivating them with kindness.

Mia-Mia is, quite simply, delightful. She is always kind, caring and polite to everyone she meets. Mia treats both adults and children with respect and consideration. She shows maturity beyond her years by reminding others of the right choices to make and always leads with kindness. She is thoughtful and helpful, often offering to support at just the right moment, and sometimes it feels as though she can read my mind with how perfectly she anticipates what needs to be done. Mia's calm and positive presence makes her a real role model and a true pleasure to have in the classroom every single day.

### Year 6:

Jenson- Jenson is someone who always strives to do the right thing – both on the playground and in class. His learning behaviours are fantastic and he is always listening, focused and ready to do his best. What really makes Jenson stand out however is his kindness. Over the last few weeks, Jenson has shown such thoughtfulness towards his peers – offering words of encouragement and support, sharing equipment, tidying up and generally just going out of his way to help the people around him. He does this without even thinking, without looking for praise but simply because that's who he is. Well done, Jenson. You're a star!

Sienna – Sienna has really impressed me over the last few weeks with her perseverance and dedication, especially during maths lessons. There are times where we tackle something new or challenging and I can see that Sienna isn't immediately confident yet she trusts me and trusts herself, follows the process and gives it her all anyway. The result has been that she's produced some amazing work, which is beautifully presented and achieved success every time! It is so lovely to see her growing self-belief and willingness to work hard. She is a wonderful Year 6 role model and will go far with her positive attitude to learning. Well done, Sienna!

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## TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN PTA



Thank you to Matt and Dave who gave up their time to fix the fence for forest school on Monday! It looks great!

NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM is Friday 10th October!

We are kindly requesting prizes for our Tombola which will be held at our Christmas Market.

INFANTS- please bring in a toy for the children's tombola.

JUNIORS- please bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola.

We are also beginning our search for CHRISTMAS RAFFLE prizes! Do you own a local business? Or work for one that could donate a prize or voucher for our raffle this year? Please get in touch at [PTA3311@welearn365.com](mailto:PTA3311@welearn365.com) if you can kindly donate.

Thank you for your support as always.

### NURSERY NEWS

This week in Nursery we have been thinking about all the changes that happen during the season of Autumn. We have been busy collecting lots of Autumn treasure, conkers, acorns and fallen leaves. We have used lots of these treasures in our investigative play and activities. The children have been busy making Autumn pizzas with the play dough, leaf people with the leaves and enjoyed making some pretend 'stew' in the outdoor kitchen using some Autumn vegetables.



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**AUTUMN TERM****SPRING TERM**

Monday 6th October Understanding Christianity week (details to follow)

Wednesday 8th October Phonics and writing workshop for Reception parents 9.10am in the school hall.

Friday 10th October Non-school uniform

Thursday 16th October Year 6 Bellboating

Friday 17th October Values service in Church

Monday 20th October THRIVE week (more details to follow)

Tuesday 21st October Parents Evening in person

Thursday 23rd October Parents Evening Virtual

Friday 24th October Teacher Training Day School and Nursery Closed

Monday 27th October-Friday 31st October Half-term

Monday 3rd November Autumn 2 begins/Remembrance Week

Friday 7th November Writing workshop for parents Year 3 and Year 4

Tuesday 11th November Remembrance on the green 11am

Wednesday 12th November Writing workshop for parents Year 1 and Year 2

Thursday 13th November Writing workshop for parents Year 5 and Year 6

Friday 14th November Non-school uniform

Monday 21st November Home Learning in

Monday 24th November Home Learning gallery 3.15-3.45

Tuesday 25th November Home Learning gallery 8.30-9.00

Friday 28th November PTA Christmas Market (TBC)

Tuesday 2nd December Year 4 trip to FSC Bishops Wood

Wednesday 3rd December Reception Christmas play 9.30am

Thursday 4th December Reception Christmas play 2.00pm

Tuesday 9th December KS1 Christmas play pm 1.30pm

Wednesday 10th December KS1 Christmas Play am 9.30am

Wednesday 10th December Nursery Christmas Craft pm

Thursday 11th December Year 5 trip to Cadbury World

Friday 12th December PTA Christmas Shop

Wednesday 17th December Christmas Lunch and Party Day

Wednesday 17th December KS2 Carol Concert

Thursday 18th December whole school trip to see Aladdin at the Palace Theatre in Redditch

Friday 19th December Christmas Service in Church Year 3

Friday 19th December School breaks up for Christmas

Monday 5th January School and Nursery closed

Tuesday 6th January School and Nursery open

Tuesday 10th February Parents Evening

Thursday 12th February Parents Evening

Friday 13th February break up for half-term

Monday 16th-Friday 20th February half-term

Monday 23rd February Spring 2 begins

Friday 27th March Easter Bonnet parade and Easter service

Monday 30th March-Friday 10th April Easter Holidays

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Autumn Term	75
Spring Term	55
Summer Term	65

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



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