



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

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

6th June 2025

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a lovely half-term break, although the weather was not as good as we may have hoped, it has been great talking to the children about their week off school and the fun they had on days out or at home. We now have a long half-term of 7 weeks before we break up for the summer although I am sure it will soon fly by. This half-term is always a busy one with so much going on so please keep checking the newsletter calendar with dates of what's happening. We appreciate that you may have to get time off work or rearrange things to be able to attend school events, so we do always try to give as much notice as possible.

Today, we had a visit from Manuela Perteghella MP who is the Member of Parliament for Stratford-on-Avon. Manuela is the Liberal Democrat MP in Stratford on Avon. After a career in Higher Education, she was elected to Stratford on Avon District Council, proudly representing the ward of Welford on Avon, where she lives with her family. She was elected to parliament on July 4th 2024. She is a trustee of the local Scout group, volunteered as a school governor and is a director of a social enterprise supporting local artists. Manuela holds a doctorate in literature and translation. She has worked for several years as a university lecturer, published research in the field of European literature, and produced community arts projects.

It was lovely to be able to show Manuela our school today, she even popped into Year 6 and answered some of their questions as one of their themes during the summer is 'Hey Minister'. The children asked some really well thought out questions. Manuela commented on how polite the children all were and also on the excellent behaviour across the school.

A special mention goes to Reception class. Today, I was invited into the Reception class to watch them perform a class poem that they had composed. The poem was about the fun they have in Reception and being at school. The children had even created some actions to match with the words. Well done Reception and well done Miss Baird!

Over this term we will be once more using a resource called 'CHIPS' (Challenging Homophobic Behaviour in Primary Schools) with all children. CHIPS is series of lesson plans, which acknowledge and celebrate the fact that families are different and that the children live in different types of families. These lessons are based on children's stories, some funny, some sad, and are accompanied by activities that seek to create inclusive, non-bullying environments for primary-aged children in schools and other settings. CHIPS has been used in Tanworth for many years, long before I became Head, and helped us meet the OFSTED Personal Development requirements supplementing our Personal Social Health Education and our Relationships Education.

All children from Reception to Year 6 will be taking part in lessons and discussions that are age appropriate. In our experience it is far better that children are exposed to age appropriate content in an environment with a teacher who is experienced at teaching the lessons and is able to answer any questions sensitively or reassure children, than through playground chat, computer games or programmes on TV. Details of all the resources we use can be found on our website, so please take a look and if you have any questions or queries please speak to your child's class teacher.

Further to this Years 4, 5, and 6 will also be bringing home a letter today informing you of the content covered this half-term in the 'changing me' theme of Jigsaw (our PSHE Curriculum). If you have any questions or queries about the PSHE curriculum taught then please speak either to your child's class teacher or Miss Cutler who is the PSHE Lead for KS2.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

*Mrs Bamford*

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## VALUES SERVICE

Today in Church we recognised and celebrated the children who had been chosen for demonstrating the Christian value of 'service'.

Reception: Isla

In Christianity, serving Jesus or serving God means living a life that reflects his teachings and values, prioritising others and demonstrating love through actions and words. Isla has consistently shown these values during her time in reception. Isla has a very strong sense of what is right and wrong. She regularly helps the other children with their learning and in doing the right thing, Isla shows kindness in her daily life. Isla demonstrates the value of service each day, even in seemingly ordinary situations.

Year 1: Eve

It was an easy choice to choose Eve for this value because she gives so much of her personality to school and class activities. She is a good friend to others; she helps make learning fun as a learning partner without a second thought and she is always looking to give that little bit of extra 'service' to help our class daily routines run smoothly. This might be offering to collect the cups and water jugs in the dinner hall during lunchtime, offering to help find others' lost property or creating a one woman puppet show to entertain her classmates. Thank you Eve, for everything you give to our class and school.

Year 2: Valentina

I have chosen Valentina for our Service certificate because she goes above and beyond each and every day, offering help to anyone she sees in need, whether it's a friend, a classmate, or a teacher. Her natural empathy and warm-hearted nature mean she notices when someone is struggling and quietly steps in to support them, without ever needing to be asked. Valentina treats everyone with fairness, respect, and kindness, making sure no one feels left out or alone. She always works hard to include everyone, whether in class activities, games, or group work. She takes great pride in her learning environment, regularly tidying and organising the classroom simply because she cares. She does this without fuss or recognition, just out of her genuine desire to help and make things better for everyone. Well done, Valentina!

Year 3: Florence

Florence has been chosen for the Christian value of service because she truly lives it out every day. She is always ready to lend a helping hand and is often the first to ask, "Is there anything I can do for you?" Without being asked, Florence notices when something needs doing and quietly gets on with it—whether it's tidying a corner of the classroom or helping a friend in need. Her selflessness and compassion shine through in the way she always puts others before herself. Florence shows us that service doesn't have to be grand or loud—it's in the small, thoughtful acts that make a big difference to those around her.

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## VALUES SERVICE Cont.

### Year 4:

Mia has been chosen for the value of *service* because she lives out this value in everything she does at school. Mia is always one of the first to offer her help, whether it's supporting a classmate, helping to tidy the classroom, or taking on little jobs without ever being asked. She gives her time and energy so generously, never expecting anything in return, and always with a smile. Mia understands that service means putting others before ourselves, and she does this daily with quiet humility and kindness. Her thoughtful actions, big and small, make a real difference to our class and school community. Thank you, Mia!

### Year 5: Jessica

This Christian Value Certificate for Service is awarded to Jessica S in recognition of her exceptional dedication to helping others. From the very beginning of Year 5, Jess has shown a remarkable ability to notice what needs to be done and take action without being asked. She consistently offers her time and energy with patience, kindness, and a cheerful attitude. Whether it's assisting her classmates, supporting teachers, or tidying the classroom, Jess approaches every task with a willing heart. Her quiet leadership and dependable nature make a real difference each day. Speaking with other teachers, it is clear that this is not a new quality—Jess has demonstrated this spirit of service throughout her years at school. She genuinely enjoys helping others, and her actions reflect the Christian value of serving with love. Jess, thank you for all that you do. Year 5 is a better place because you are in it.

### Year 6: Emily

Emily has been chosen because she is an example of service in action and genuinely lives this value every day. She has a kind and caring heart, and is always ready to help others – whether it's a friend who needs someone to talk to, a classmate who needs a bit of extra support with their learning, or one of the younger children who just needs a helping hand. Emily also goes out of her way to serve the adults in school, noticing what needs doing and quietly getting on with it – tidying cupboards, organising others and doing little jobs that keep the classroom running. She works with a smile and never expects anything in return. What is special about Emily is that she doesn't wait to be asked; she seeks out ways to be helpful, demonstrating a joyful attitude to service because it brings others happiness. Well done, Emily – we are grateful to have you.

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Due to the kind support of Umberslade Estate, please note we will be relocating the Circus to Umberslade. Parking will be free for the event and there's plenty of space.

Please can you share this with family and friends to make this a lovely community event? Thank you! ☺

Tickets still available!

Email [pta3311@welearn365.com](mailto:pta3311@welearn365.com)

### NURSERY NEWS

This week as we welcomed back the children from half term we enjoyed talking to them about their holiday news, lots of children had been to the seaside. These anecdotes of the seaside worked perfectly with our story 'What the ladybird heard at the seaside'. The children have enjoyed some lovely craft and sensory activities over the week. On Thursday we also welcomed Mary with the 'Little ones' service from the church, the children listened carefully and joined in with songs, prayers and story telling. The Nursery Team.



### FUNDRAISING FOR DEMENTIA

Many of you will know Sarah Cutler, one of our ex-permanent members of staff and now a regular supply teacher at Tanworth. Sarah is currently in training for the Isles of Scilly Marathon with only 2 weeks left before she takes part. Sarah is taking part in this gruelling marathon to raise awareness of early onset dementia. Early onset dementia is when a person develops dementia before the age of 65 and affects over 70,000 people a year in the UK. All money raised will be donated to Dementia UK. If you would like to donate then please follow the JustGiving page link below.

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/sarah-cutler-1?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=WA](https://www.justgiving.com/page/sarah-cutler-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=WA)

I am sure you will all join with me in wishing Sarah all the best.

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**SUMMER TERM**

Friday 13th June Father's Day Shop

Friday 13th June OPAL Parents session pm 1.30pm for a 1.45 pm start

Monday 16th June Year 4 Black Country Museum

Thursday 19th June Year 1&2 West Midlands Safari Park

Thursday 19th June Year 3 Roman Workshop

Friday 20th June Sports Day

Saturday 21st June Circus Event at Umberslade

Wednesday 25th June The Animal Man in Reception Class

Friday 27th June Year 6 apprentice Sale pm

Friday 27th June Year 6 Leavers Disco 5pm-7pm (details to follow)

Monday 30th June Year 6 production (afternoon)

Tuesday 1st July Year 6 Production (evening)

Wednesday 2nd July Year 6 induction day to secondary/move up morning for Years R-5

Monday 7th July-Friday 11th July Year 6 Residential to Conover

Friday 18th July Year 6 Leavers Service in Church am

Friday 18th July School and Nursery close for summer holiday

Monday 21st July School and Nursery closed teacher training day

**SPORTS DAY**

Friday 20th June will be School Sports Day

Children should wear plain black or school green shorts and plain t-shirt the colour of their school house. If they do not know which house they are in please check with their class teacher.

We invite parents and family members to join us from 11.45 for a whole school picnic. Please note there will be no hot school lunches on this day. Children may sit with their family members for lunch. If parents are not able to attend children will eat lunch with the lunchtime staff.

At 12.45 all children will go back to their classrooms.

1.00pm KS1 Sports

2.00pm KS2 Sports

3.00pm parents race

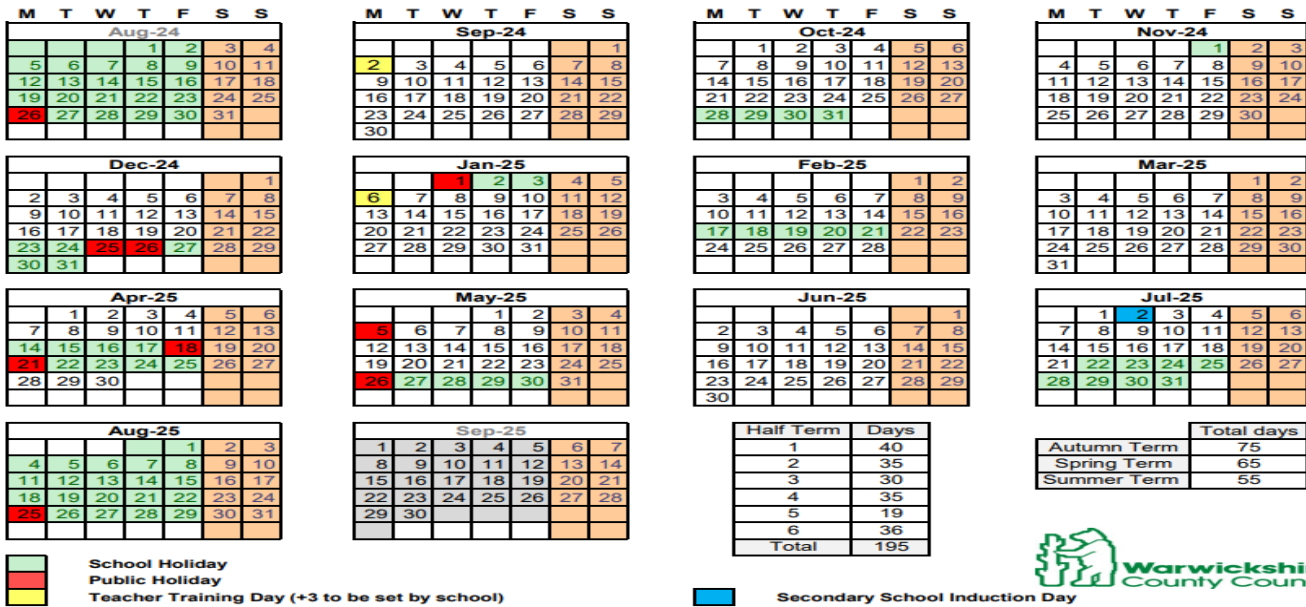
3.10pm children return back to class ready for home

Please note: All children must remember on site for the whole of the afternoon

KS2 children will watch KS1 Sports with their class and teacher.

KS1 children will watch KS2 Sports with their class and teacher

**WCC School Term and Holiday Dates - 2024/25**



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

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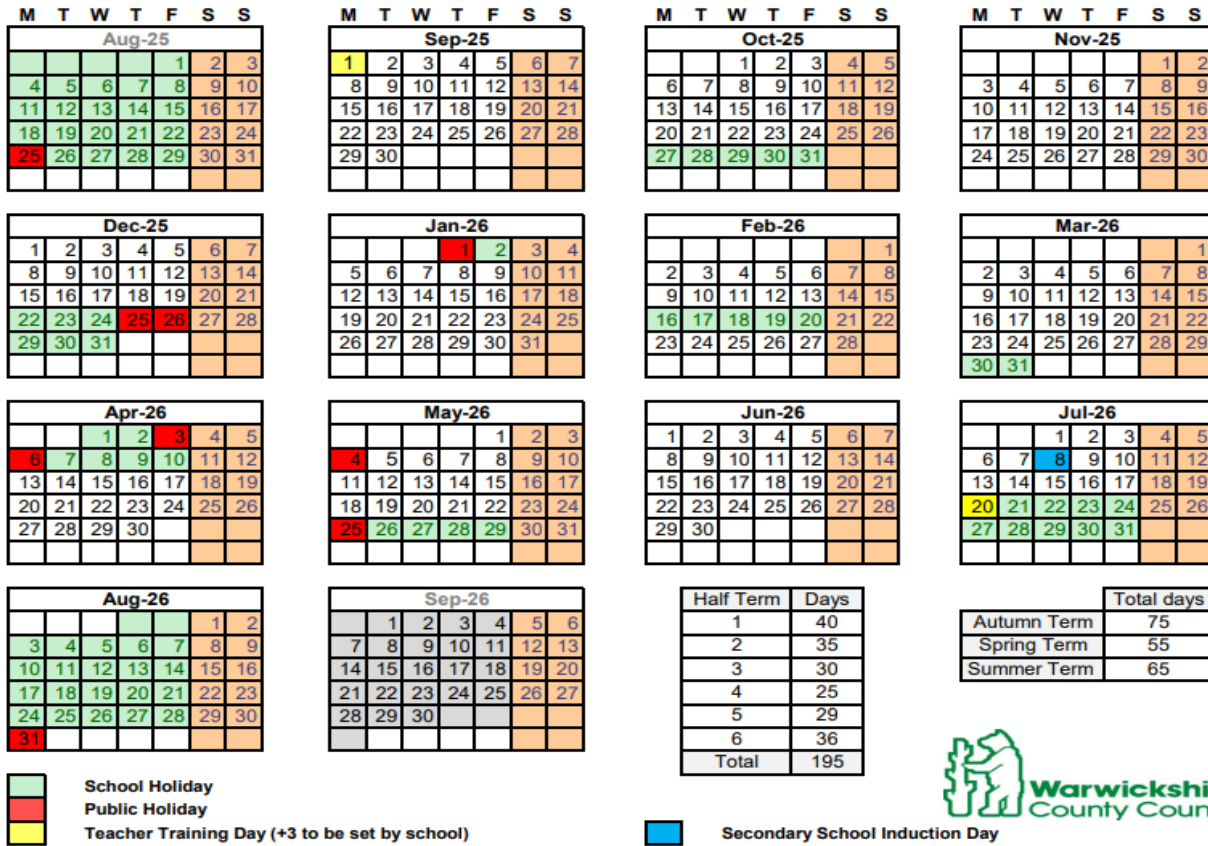
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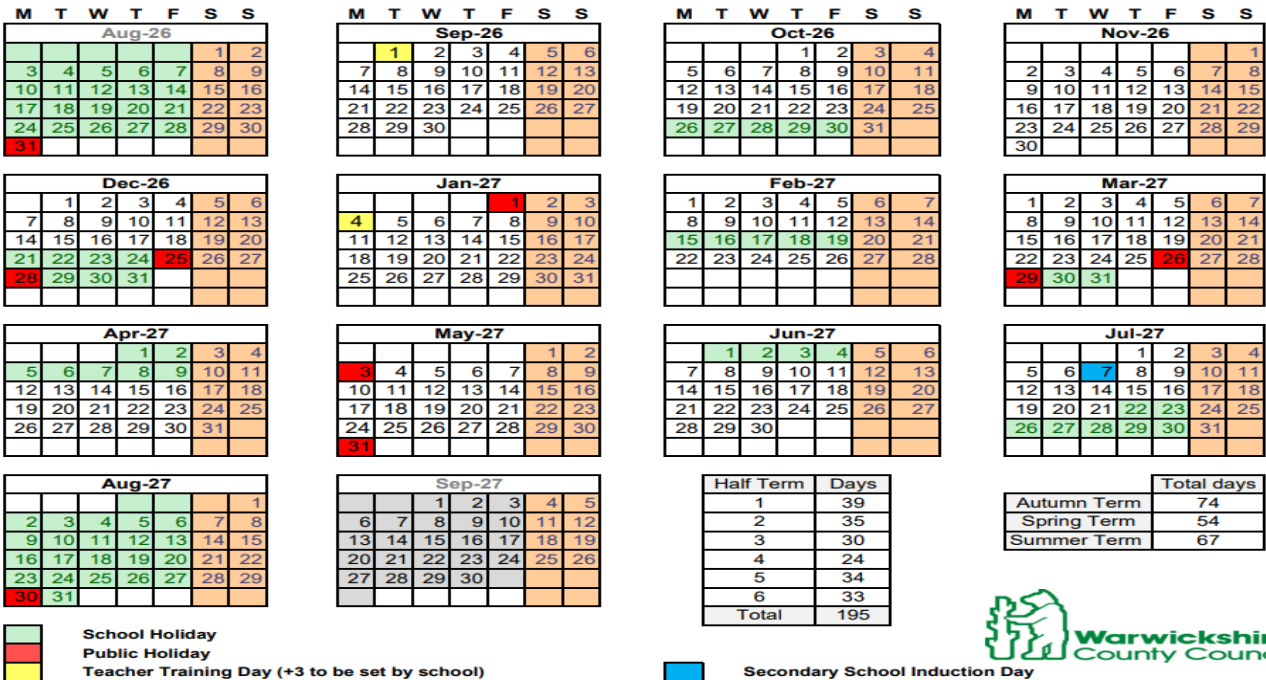


Warwickshire School Term and Holiday Dates - 2025/26



School and Nursery will be closed on: Friday 24th October, Monday 5th January and Monday 1st June for Teacher Training

Warwickshire School Term and Holiday Dates - 2026/27



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