



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

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

8th November 2024

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had an enjoyable half-term break, after such a long first half-term I know the children and staff were all ready for a week of relaxation. This half-term is always a busy one with lots going on as we countdown to Christmas, so please keep checking the newsletter and the diary for what is happening in school. We always try to give parents as much notice as possible of key dates, as we really appreciate your support but understand that taking time off to attend events can be tricky.

Whilst you were all enjoying the half-term we were getting ready to launch OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning). A huge thank you to Mr Hemming (Charlotte's father in Year 3) who kindly came in to fix the shed roof and build the most amazing Welly Storage, with Mrs Hemming's support. We now have a place to store the wellingtons ready for OPAL. If you have any old wellies, please send them in as spares. We really don't want parents to have to buy new wellingtons as children's feet grow, so it would be great if we could organise welly swaps in school. This would not only help save costs but also ensure we are doing our bit for the environment by recycling and reusing.

Also a special 'Thank You' to Miss Chambers who gave up a day of her holiday to help sort the shed. The shed is vital for OPAL as we need somewhere to store equipment and also so that children can access it. It was a messy job with lots of dust and cobwebs but Miss Chambers did a fantastic job.

Finally a special thank you to JB Contractors who came in and not only removed some old and rotten fencing but also disposed of it for us. The children were very excited on Monday when they saw the fence was gone and they had more space to play.

You should have received an email today with a letter from OPAL explaining more about the OPAL programme. If you are interested in learning more about the power of play and want to get top tips for play at home, Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) CIC is running a short webinar next week that you might be interested in. OPAL Director Michael Follett will be exploring some of the key benefits of play and sharing his top tips for play at home. Find out more and book your free place here: <https://bit.ly/4fgpQKK>

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

*Mrs Bamford*

Head teacher

### NURSERY NEWS

It was wonderful to welcome back all the nursery children after half term, hearing all their exciting stories about what they had been up to during the previous week. On Thursday we welcomed Mary Tipping into Nursery for our monthly 'Little Ones' session. Mary came from church to teach us all about 'All saints week' and in particular the story of how Saint Margaret became a saint. The children joined in with all the stories, songs and prayers and thoroughly enjoyed the session.



### ASDA CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

If you shop in ASDA then please add Tanworth to your ASDA App so that we can access additional funds for our PTA. It's easy to do and once opted in and selected our school ASDA will add £1 to Tanworth school's Cashpot to help get us started. Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.

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## BBC CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 15th November 2024 we will be celebrating and fundraising for Children in Need.

Children can come to school dressed in bright and/or spotty clothing, £1 payment to be made on ParentPay please.

Children will also be able to buy a cake for 50p at playtime on Friday 15th November and after school there will be a cake sale on the Junior playground - cash donations welcome.

Children in Need merchandise will be on sale from the school council at playtimes from Monday 11th November 2024

£1 for wristbands and pin badges and £2.50 for Pudsey ears!

We are also asking for donations of cakes, homemade or shop bought to help us with our fund raising. Please send cakes to school in the morning on Friday 15th November.

Thank you, Miss Evens and The School Council



## TANWORTH PTA

Thank you for this weeks present donations for our Christmas shop! And for purchasing the Gin! If you still want a bottle you can email [pta3311@welearn365.com](mailto:pta3311@welearn365.com) , we have very few bottles remaining now!

Next week is our cash for clothes collection! Please bring all recycled clothing in no later than Tuesday 12th. Clothing, bags and shoes accepted! Thank you in advance!

Thank you for returning your maps from the Guy Fawkes Trail! We are happy to announce Year 2 were the winner of the Amazon class voucher! Congratulations!



Please also add our village Christmas market to your calendar for 29th November! We have lots of exciting things planned throughout the evening, with the light switch on, market stalls, food stalls, puppet show and more!

Thank you for supporting us.

Georgina Thompson



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# Children in Need 2024

*Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November*

## Make a life lighter!



*Dress up bright and/or spotty  
on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November*

- *£1 to dress up in your brightest or spottiest clothes*

*(please make £1.00 payment on parentpay)*

- *Buy a tasty cake at playtime for 50p*
- *Cake sale on the Junior Playground  
afterschool any donation welcome*

*Donations of cakes needed, please  
send them to school in the morning  
on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.*

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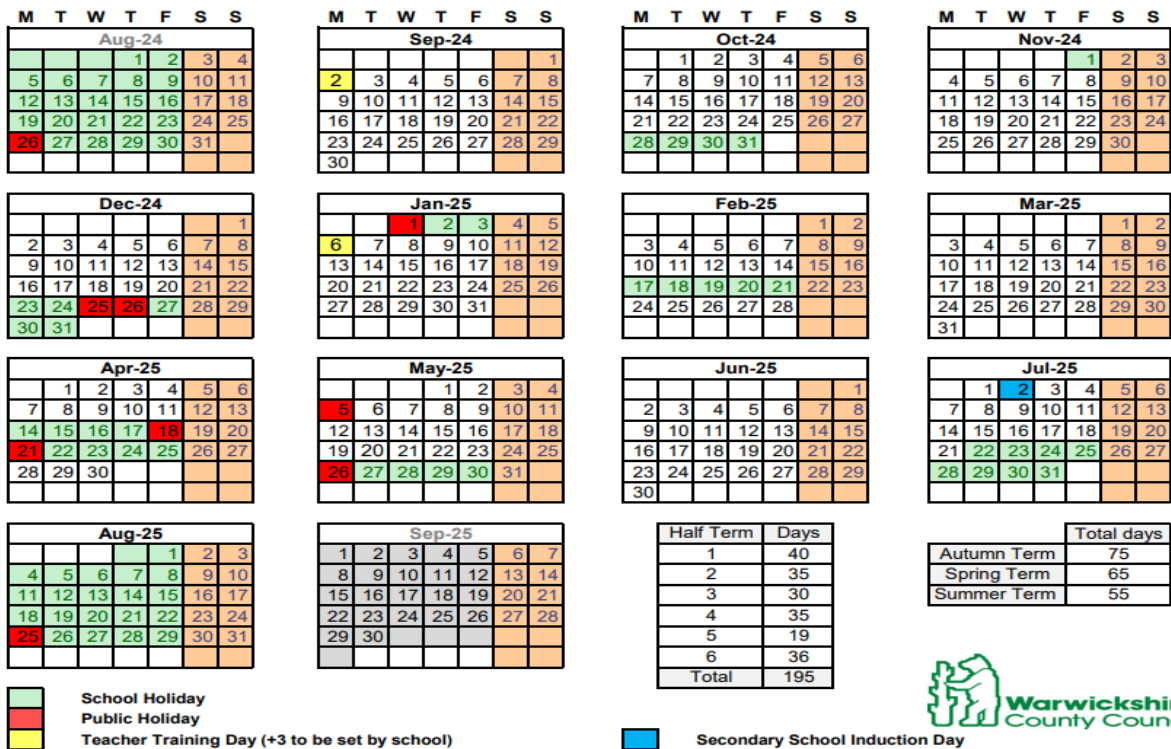
**AUTUMN TERM**

**SPRING TERM**

Monday 11th November Remembrance Service on The Green 10.50am (all welcome)  
 Tuesday 12th November Nursery Parents Evening  
 Friday 15th November Children in Need (see reverse)  
 Friday 29th November Y4 Bishops Wood  
 Friday 29th November PTA Christmas Event 3.30-7.00  
 Wednesday 4th December Reception Christmas play 9.30am  
 Thursday 5th December Reception Christmas play 2.00pm  
 Friday 6th December PTA Christmas Pop Up Shop  
 Tuesday 10th December KS1 Christmas Play 2.00pm  
 Wednesday 11th December KS1 Christmas Play 5.30pm  
 Thursday 12th December Y5 Cadbury World  
 Friday 13th December Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day  
 Monday 16th December School visit to pantomime  
 Tuesday 17th December Nursery Christmas Craft event pm(TBC)  
 Tuesday 17th December KS2 Carol Concert in Church 6.00pm  
 Wednesday 18th December Christmas Lunch and Party Day  
 Friday 20th December Y3 Christmas Service in Church 2.00pm  
 Friday 20th December School and Nursery break up for Christmas

Monday 6th January School and Nursery closed Teacher Training  
 Tuesday 7th January School and Nursery open for children  
 Tuesday 14th January Young Voices (details to follow)  
 Tuesday 11th February Parents Evening (in person)  
 Thursday 13th February Parents Evening (virtual)  
 Friday 14th February School and Nursery break up for half-term  
 Monday 24th February School and Nursery open for children  
 Friday 11th April School and Nursery close for Easter

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



School and Nursery are also closed on: Friday 25th October 2024, Monday 2nd June 2025 and Monday 21st July 2025 for Teacher Training .

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