



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

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

20th June 2025

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your understanding in the cancellation of Sports Day. We tried to put a plan together in order to continue with Sports Day, however as the week went on and the weather got warmer, in order to ensure the safety not only of the children but also staff and family members we had to admit defeat. I know the children were very disappointed but as I have said to them it is only postponed. We hope to get a new date out to you next week.

It's been a busy couple of weeks in school for enrichment activities in school many of which have been supported by the Tanworth Education Foundation (TEF) and their donation made to school each year. So thank you TEF for your support.

On Monday, Year 4 had a fantastic day out at the Black Country Museum where they stepped back in time to experience life in the Victorian era. The children took part in a traditional Victorian classroom lesson, complete with chalkboards and strict rules! They also enjoyed trying their hand at canal art, creating colourful painted designs inspired by the era. As they explored the museum's shops and houses, they were fascinated to see how different life was in the past. Throughout the day, the class showed excellent behaviour, representing our school wonderfully with their curiosity, respect, and enthusiasm. Well done, Year 4!



On Thursday this week Years 1 and 2 had a very hot visit to West Midlands Safari Park. Despite the hot weather, Miss Evens and Miss Battey reported back that the children had a lovely time and were excellent role models for our school. The children have been excitedly telling me about the giraffes coming really close to the coach and about the sea lion show. A huge thank you to the parent volunteers who helped out without your support we would not be able to take the children on these amazing visits.

On Thursday in school Year 3 had their Roman Day. The Year 3 children took a step back in time to experience life as Roman Legionnaires. The children all looked amazing in their Roman themed costumes. During the day they also became archaeologists to explore ancient artefacts. Thank you to Mrs Hoskins for organising the day bringing History to life for the children.

There was no newsletter last week so a belated thank you to everyone who attended our OPAL Parents session last Friday. It was lovely to see parents enjoying our OPAL offer and getting stuck in playing with the crates and pipes, having a go on the scooters and even wearing the fairy wings! I hope you found the information Ruth (our OPAL Co-ordinator) shared both interesting and useful. But as always, if you have any questions or queries about OPAL please either take a look on our website or speak to us directly.

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On Thursday our OPAL offering included water play, which the children enjoyed. We even created a mist spray with the hose so that children could have a cool down. We are still looking for staff to support over lunchtime as part of our OPAL Play Leader team. We are looking for everyday but if you are not able to commit to everyday we would consider sharing the days. It would be 1 hour and 15 minutes every day either 11.45-1.00 or 12.00-1.15. If you are interested or you know someone who is then please look on the vacancy page of our website or ring the office for more information.

Well done to Year 4 who last week, earned the Golden Wellies for their fantastic creativity and teamwork during OPAL play. The class came together to design and build an impressive jumping obstacle course, showing great imagination, collaboration, and problem-solving skills – it was a big hit with everyone on the field! A special mention also goes to Mia and Hollie, who have been noticed by several other classes for their kind, caring, and thoughtful behaviour during playtimes as they often help the younger classes with dress up.



Last week you should have received an email sharing with you class teachers for next academic year. I am pleased to share that staffing at Tanworth is very stable and we have no teachers moving on, which is great news. The only change to classes next year is Miss Baird will be moving into Year 1 with the Reception children and will be building on the Early Years provision to ensure a smooth transition into Year 1. This of course means that Miss Evens will be teaching Reception and will be taking on the role as EYFS Lead. Miss Evens has already been popping into Nursery to meet the pre-schoolers who are coming into school, and over the next two weeks the new Reception children will be coming in for their taster sessions and parents will be attending the New Reception Parents Meeting.

Sadly, Mrs Dickin will be leaving in July as Forest School Leader. Mrs Dickin has been Forest School Leader for a number of years and has done a great job delivering a child-centred approach to Forest School emphasising hands-on learning, risk-taking, and holistic development whilst fostering confidence, resilience, and a love for nature for all of our children, from Reception to Year 6. We really value Forest School at Tanworth and are very fortunate to have a well-established Forest School area on site. We are currently in the process of recruiting a new Forest School Lead and will keep you updated.

Finally, I'd like to say a huge well done to Year 6. This week Miss Cutler (who is also a county moderator) was out moderating writing as part of her role and we had a supply teacher cover the class. At the end of the day the supply teacher came up to my office to say how super the Year 6 children were and how they are the best Year 6 class she has taught. She commented on their fantastic behaviour, the respect they demonstrate and how hard they worked, really enjoying their learning. I know Miss Cutler was so proud of her class on her return. Well done Year 6!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Bamford

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Celebration Assembly

There was no newsletter last week and so we have two lots of Celebration children to celebrate. The children below received a certificate in assembly recognising either their outstanding behaviour and manners or their excellent effort and attainment

Year 1:

Isobel- Isobel works well in her group but recently I have seen an increased effort to manage distractions that would once take her focus off her work. She has begun to want to complete her work to the best of her ability and has developed some good learning behaviours. She has always enjoyed her maths work but her new learning behaviours are now helping her enjoyment and progress in her written work! Super work Isobel.

Rocky- I have chosen Rocky this week because every week since he has joined our school, he has worked really hard in all our school activities. He always puts lots of effort into his work and is very independent. He has learnt that working with his table group can also help him too and he has been happy to share his ideas and listen to others too. Well done Rocky!

Ishbel- Well done to Ishbel this week who has had a great start to the new half term. She has been working with Miss Chambers to complete her puzzles and matching tasks independently when in the classroom and has made super progress. She has also been persevering with her new glasses and has learnt to keep them on at school during the day. Well done Ishbel!

Holly -Congratulations to Holly, who is the first person this year to receive both the effort and manners certificates. Holly's behaviour and manners are exemplary, and she is always kind and inclusive to all. She is very aware of right and wrong and helps others to share her understanding. When I asked her classmates if they recognised Holly as someone who is kind, well-behaved and helpful, they all agreed. Even children across the school put their hand up to show that they recognised Holly as a real role model. Well done Holly, you are a star!

Year 2:

Phoebe- Phoebe is someone who consistently demonstrates outstanding kindness, respect, and inclusivity. Over the past week, three different adults have shared how inclusive Phoebe is during our Opal play sessions, and this is a true testament to her character. Phoebe always brightens the day with her warm smile and her genuine care for others, often asking how I am with sincere interest. Her positive attitude and joyful approach to life and learning make her an absolute delight to be around. Keep being a ray of sunshine, Phoebe!

Henry- Henry has shown outstanding effort and enthusiasm in our Science learning, especially during our unit on food chains. His curiosity and dedication went beyond the classroom—he even created his own food chain at home, stretching the entire length of his arm! Henry's excitement was infectious as he shared his work with the whole class, teaching us all something new in the process. Keep up your hard work, Henry. Super proud of you!

Jack- I have chosen Jack for our effort and achievement certificate this week because he has been showing great perseverance in improving his spelling and phonics. He consistently approaches his learning with enthusiasm and a positive attitude, even when faced with challenges. Jack has also shown a willingness to support his peers, showing kindness and leadership by helping others. His determination to keep trying, even when things get tricky, is a wonderful example of resilience. Well done, Jack. I am super proud of you!

Markus- I have chosen Markus for our behaviour and manners certificate because he has shown a growing sense of maturity in the classroom, making positive choices and setting a good example. Markus has been listening more attentively and approaching his learning with a confident, 'can do' attitude. Markus has also been looking out for his friends, offering support through thoughtful words and caring actions. Markus has also taken on extra responsibilities by helping with classroom jobs. Keep it up!

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Year 3:

I'm incredibly proud of Mhairi, who has shown fantastic curiosity and enthusiasm for our Roman topic last week. She has focused her learning on areas of the curriculum that haven't always been her usual interest and has really challenged herself to explore something new. Mhairi even took it upon herself to carry out further research, creating her own little booklet all about Roman gods and goddesses, which she continued to add to over time. A wonderful example of self-motivated learning – well done, Mhairi!

Phoebe has gone from strength to strength this year and is an absolute delight to have in the classroom. She is always polite, kind and ready to learn, approaching every task with a positive attitude and a quiet determination. She keeps up with the pace of the class, achieving well across all subjects, and her progress in reading has been nothing short of amazing. Her growing confidence and fluency have been a joy to see. Phoebe may not always shout the loudest, but she absolutely deserves to be recognised for being a superstar – her hard work, gentle nature and steady commitment make her a shining example to others.

Clark - No matter which page you turn to in his books, you'll find beautifully presented work that reflects the care and pride he takes in his learning. He always tries his best and shows great perseverance. Recently, he made a particularly impressive effort with his story writing—his work flows smoothly, and it's clear he has taken on board feedback to improve. His spelling has noticeably improved too. Well done, Clark!

Devon - Devon has really come out of his shell since the beginning of the school year, and I couldn't be prouder of the journey he's been on. He's grown so much in confidence and it's been a real joy to see his true personality start to shine. That sparky, cheeky side of Devon is beginning to appear more and more, and it's an absolute pleasure to witness.

Year 4:

Imogen – Imogen has been chosen this week for her outstanding effort and commitment to her learning since the very start of Year 4. She approaches every lesson with focus and care, always producing beautifully presented work with both quality and quantity that reflect her determination. Imogen always ensures to catch up on tasks after music lessons without needing a reminder – a true sign of her independence and responsibility. On top of all that, she has achieved a phenomenal reading age in her recent AR test – a result of her love for learning and dedication. Amazing work, Imogen!

Hollie – Hollie has been chosen for her exceptional behaviour and impeccable manners, which she shows every single day. Whether speaking to adults or peers, Hollie is always respectful, kind, and thoughtful. Her lovely attitude extends beyond the classroom too – she has been noticed during OPAL sessions for helping younger children and being a fantastic role model to them. Hollie's calm, caring presence makes a real difference to our school, and we are so lucky to have her. Well done, Hollie!

Ophelia – Ophelia has been chosen her behaviour and manners this week due to the wonderful way she has settled into life at Tanworth. From her very first day, Ophelia has shown kindness, politeness and a caring nature that has made her a valued member of our class. She is thoughtful and considerate towards others, always treating her friends with respect and showing a gentle, friendly approach in everything she does. Ophelia's lovely manners and calm presence make our classroom a happier and more welcoming place. We are glad you chose Tanworth, Ophelia!

Kaia – Kaia has been chosen due to her effort and brilliant attitude to learning, especially since returning from the half-term break. Kaia has come back with a fresh sense of motivation and determination, particularly in maths, where she is now approaching her work with real confidence and independence. It's been fantastic to see her believing in herself and showing that she's ready to take on new, trickier challenges independently. Kaia's hard work is already paying off and she should be proud of the progress she is making. Keep it up, Kaia!

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Year 5:

This week, we are celebrating Ollie for his outstanding behaviour and wonderful manners. Ollie has been a true role model in class—always willing to help, dependable, and thoughtful in everything he does. He has taken on the responsibility of handing out our guided reading texts with great care, showing initiative and a fantastic attitude. However, what really stood out this week was Ollie's kindness and maturity during our P.S.H.E. lesson. When a classmate was struggling to understand an issue around online safety, Ollie calmly and patiently offered advice and shared what he would do in that situation- all completely unprompted. It was such a lovely moment to witness and a perfect example of the supportive, trustworthy person Ollie is. Well done, Ollie; you should be really proud of yourself.

This week, we are celebrating Lola for her incredible effort and outstanding attainment. Lola approaches every lesson with a positive, enthusiastic attitude and gives 100% in everything she does. Her books are always beautifully presented, showing the pride she takes in her work, and this care and commitment have led to phenomenal progress over the year. Lola's dedication to her writing has really stood out- she's been taking the time to slow down, think carefully about her ideas, and craft her work with purpose and creativity. Her writing is a joy to read, full of imagination and thoughtful detail, and we can't wait to see the final piece. Well done, Lola- your hard work is truly paying off!

Year 6:

Toby - I have chosen Toby this week for being such a kind person. He has a big heart and treats everyone with genuine warmth and respect. He always takes the time to encourage others with kind words and support, which can really help to turn someone's day around. Lately, he's been especially thoughtful in helping children who are feeling nervous about our school play, giving them confidence and reassurance when they need it most. Toby spreads kindness wherever he goes and makes our classroom a happier place.

Roscoe - Roscoe may be new to our school but it feels like he's been part of our class forever! He has settled in brilliantly and has made a fantastic impression with his effort and achievement, especially in maths. He's shown some really creative thinking when solving problems, and what's been even more impressive is how clearly and confidently he's explained his ideas to the class – helping others to learn too. Roscoe has also been working especially hard to improve his handwriting. Well done for achieving so much in such a short space of time!

Zach - Zach is receiving this certificate for the effort and courage that he's shown across the whole of Year 6. This year, Zach has shown real determination to step outside of his comfort zone and try new things. From taking part in the heart dissection to cooking pasties, he's thrown himself into every challenge with a brilliant attitude. He's also been a real star during Family Time by speaking clearly and confidently and supporting the younger children. Now, he's shining on stage in our school play, with some truly fantastic acting! It's been wonderful to see how much Zach has grown this year and he should be really proud of himself.

Dawson - Dawson has put in an incredible amount of effort to our school production – he's learnt all of his (many!) lines, speaks with confidence and clarity, and really brings his character to life by reacting thoughtfully to those around him on stage. He gives 110% to every rehearsal, especially when singing and dancing, and it's clear how much he's enjoying it. What's really special is that both his peers and I have noticed and admired his dedication – he is inspiring everyone around him to try their best! Well done, Dawson!

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NURSERY NEWS WEEK ENDING 13th JUNE

This week we have had a lovely week in Nursery celebrating Fathers Day this week, we have painted portraits, made biscuits, planted sunflowers and made our beautiful sunshine cards for Fathers Day. We also enjoyed our first session of Mini Athletics this term with Gemma, we began our preparations for sports day and Gemma was very impressed by the children's super listening skills.



NURSERY NEWS WEEK ENDING 20th JUNE

This week in Nursery we enjoyed our second session of Mini Athletics with Gemma, the children had a wonderful time using the parachute, playing games and taking part in some races. Although the weather has been very hot we have been coping in Nursery with endless water play, enjoying bubbles, ice, water painting and even taking our shoes and socks off to give our feet a soak. Big thank you to our parents for the constant supply of clean and dry clothes all week!



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PTA NEWS

We can't wait to see you all tomorrow at the Circus and fun day at Umberslade

For last minute tickets, please email pta3311@welearn365.com

PLEA FOR UNWANTED GIFTS & TOYS for our children and adult tombola! Please bring them into school! If you're having a sort out and can donate it'd be hugely appreciated! Please bring them in by Mon 7th July. Thank you so much in advance!

NEXT EVENTS:

RAFFLE TICKETS will be sent out:

Friday 27th June- Please sell to family & friends! There are many great prizes to be won including Shakespeare Distillery Tasting Experience, Bulls Head food voucher, Four Ashes Crazy Golf voucher!

Please return books and money to school on Monday 7th July.



ROSE FARM FLOWER PIPING COURSE

Wed 9th July

For Parents! SOLD OUT! We hope to be bring more parent focused events in the new school year!

TREAT THURSDAY/TOMBOLA/RAFFLE DRAW

Thursday 10th July-

We will be holding an after school hour of fun!

Cookie sale, Tombola, and we will announce all of the raffle prize winners!

As we come closer to the end of the school year we want to thank you all for your kind generosity this year! And to all of the helpers, including some new faces this term! It's really appreciated and it's the only way the PTA can continue to run! Thank you and we hope to grow our team in the new year so if you'd like to help out please do get in touch!

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SUMMER TERM

AUTUMN TERM

Saturday 21st June Circus
 Tuesday 24th June Year 6 Leavers Service in Birmingham
 Friday 27th June Year 6 apprentice Sale pm
 Friday 27th June Year 6 Leavers Disco 5pm-7pm
 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
 Thursday 10th July PTA event after school
 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

Monday 1st September Teacher Training Day School and Nursery close
 Tuesday 2nd September School and Nursery open
 Friday 24th October Teacher Training Day School and Nursery Closed
 Monday 27th October-Friday 31st October Half-term
 Monday 3rd November Autumn 2 begins
 Friday 19th December School breaks up for Christmas

WCC School Term and Holiday Dates - 2024/25

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School Holiday

Public Holiday

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

Secondary School Induction Day

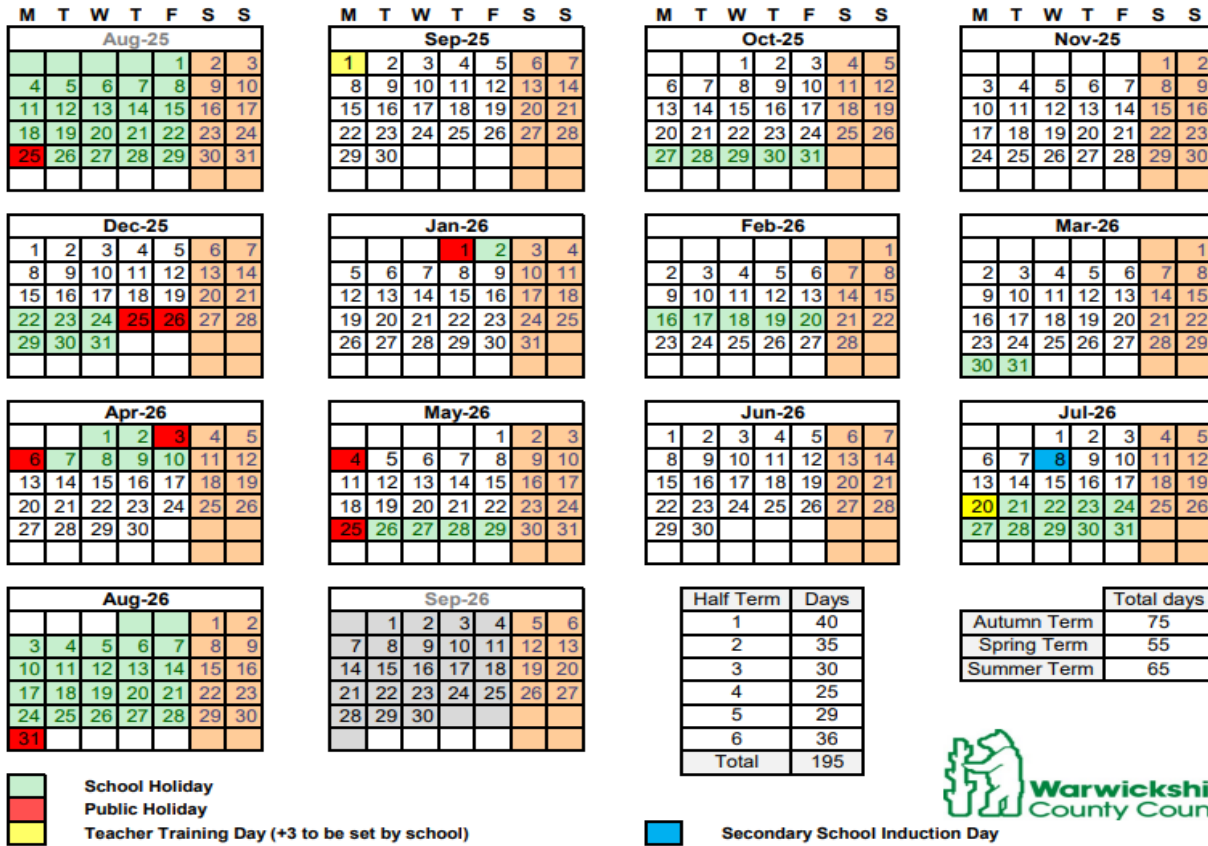
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School and Nursery are also closed on: Monday 21st July 2025 for Teacher Training .

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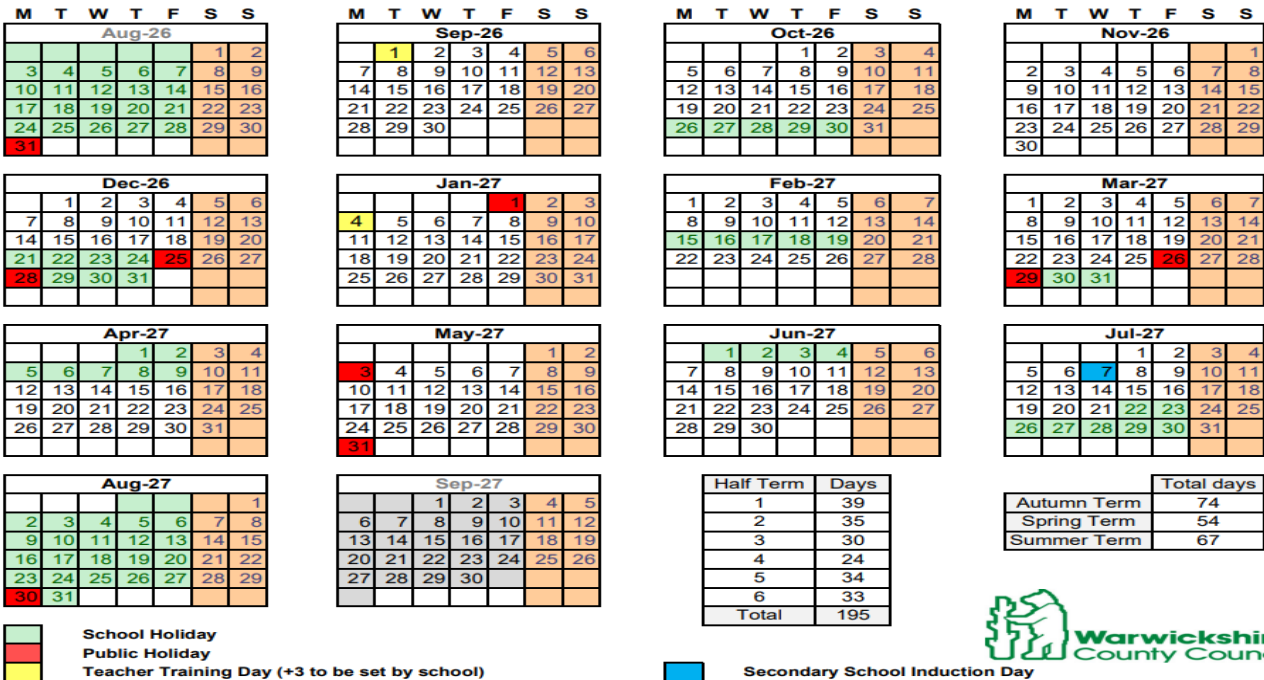


Warwickshire School Term and Holiday Dates - 2025/26



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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