Temple Meadow Newsletter Friday 3rd March 2023

Temple Meadow Primary School



Dear Parents/Carers,

A very short half term lies ahead and we are and will be very busy. Spring bulbs are in flower across the site.

World Book Day was a great success—thank you Miss Evans for leading on this.

Early Years generally are now deep in their Farm to Fork theme which they are really enjoying.

This week, Year 5 had their first taste of our Performance curriculum. Miss Nugent who leads on Performance and Dance, has been working hard on this. It is a very exciting development, complimenting our wider curriculum generally.





World Book Day

Thank you to all pupils for joining in with World Book Day yesterday; they had a really enjoyable day sharing their favourite books and focusing on reading. A big thank you to our Parent/Carer mystery readers; our children really enjoyed your stories. All pupils have now been given a World Book Day token which they can take to a local supermarket to redeem for a free book.



Year 5 Music

Year 5 recently completed a really successful ukulele performance to Parents/Carers. Pupils performed 4 songs,

showcasing the skills that they have learned since September. Children really enjoyed learning the ukulele and Miss Ahmed was very proud of their achievements.



Praise from parents for our new adult safeguarding newsletter

Just wanted to say I think it's a really good idea to have this newsletter. I like the sign posting which hopefully will support the relevant people that require the assistance.

As a school I'd also like to thank you generally for the provisions that would be available to my son if he needed them and how I know he is always looked after by your wonderful team.

As a school I feel you really look after the children and always advocate in their best interests. I know my son is always safe at school and as a mother that is all I could hope for!

A while back I attended the protective behaviours talk which was very informative (although disappointing more parents didn't attend) and wanted to say thank you for this class as it helped educate me as a parent. Keep up the good work!

More praise from parents for our new adult safeguarding newsletter

Dear All, firstly, congratulations on your new initiative for your very first safeguarding newsletter! I do believe that this will be very helpful for those who are taking care of their children and I am sure most of our parents/carers are!

Wowww wowww woww! I am extremely happy to read this newsletter. Thank you very much!

Would it be possible to organize a seminar for parents on a very specific topic (social media and its effect on students)? I personally do not know the number of parents who are allowing their children to start using smartphones before they are even 10 years old but this might be helpful as I witness some of the parents allow them to use them at an early stage.

Bird box

Dylan in Year 6 was rightly proud of his bird box; made outside of school in an activity during scouts from recycled materials. We will consider making some ourselves to place around the site.















Other News



Usborne Community Book

We are taking part in the Usborne Community Book pledge which is a nationwide initiative to help schools and nurseries across the UK and Europe benefit from more books, boosting literacy levels through encouraging reading for pleasure. With the help of local businesses, thousands of schools across the UK and Europe have been able to fill their libraries and classroom bookshelves and raise a new generation of confident and engaged readers and we would love your support to do the same for our school.

With the help of local businesses, we are aiming to collect £600 in donations for the school, and Usborne will then generously provide an additional £390 worth of free books on top of this. This money will allow us to completely transform our school's reading resources and to allow all children to have access to a wide variety of high-quality fiction and non-fiction books to choose from and enjoy.

If you have your own business and would like to support our Community Book Pledge through it, you can help us by pledging any amount of money towards buying new books for our school. All donation amounts will be gratefully received.

Businesses supporting us will receive acknowledgement in our school newsletter and will also be sent a donor's poster to proudly display at your workplace.

The local co-ordinator of this scheme for Usborne is **Laura Blakeway** who is one of our parents and is an Independent Usborne Partner. She is promoting this initiative on our behalf, with **Temple Meadow Primary School** being the beneficiary of all books purchased.

If you are able to support this initiative, which will help raise the literacy standards of our community's next business generation, you can make a donation by contacting the Usborne organiser directly on 07879767278 or at <u>looby 6@hotmail.com</u>.

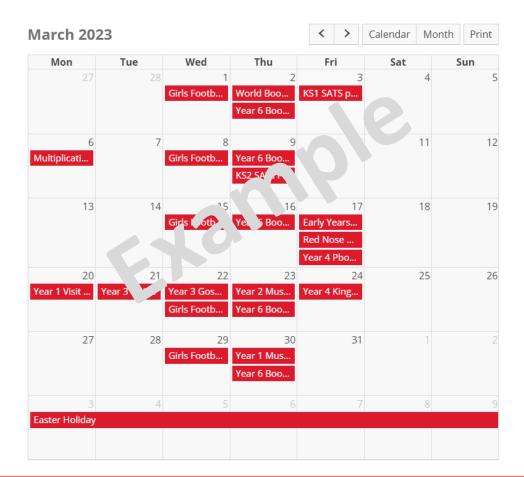
Comic Relief – Friday 17th March 2023

This Red Nose Day, let's come together to raise some smiles – and some money – to help people through the toughest times of their lives.

In line with the 'raising smiles' theme, pupils are invited to come to school wearing something red or something funny for a cash donation of 50p. Something funny could be wearing a funny hat or wig, oversized glasses, clothing inside out or back to front or odd shoes!

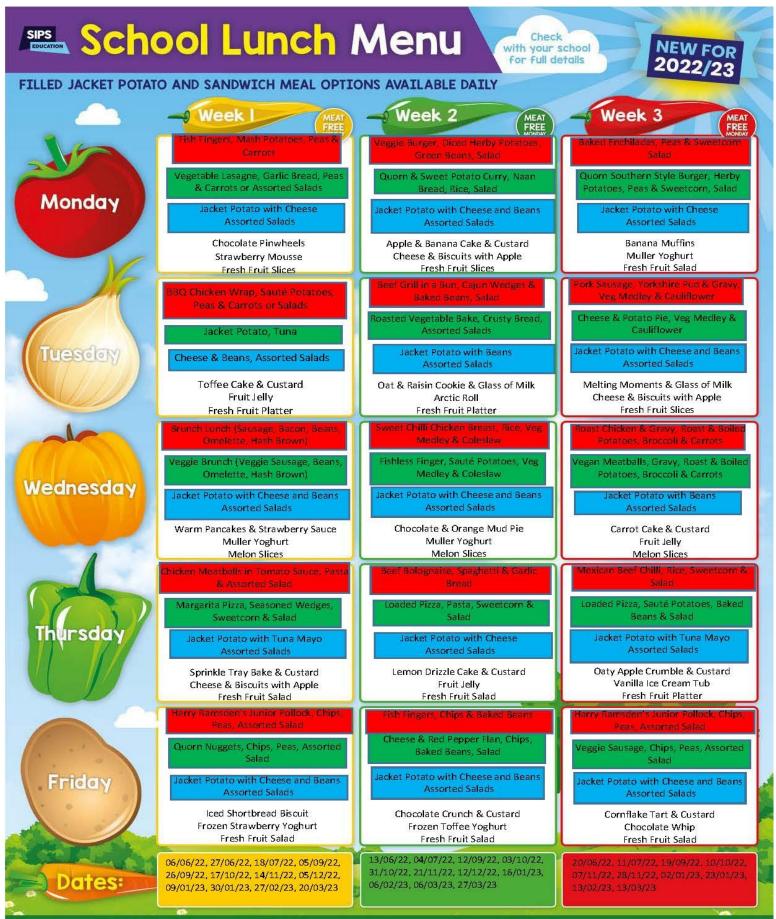
Children will also be completing some laps of the mile track to see who can complete the funniest laugh!

Calendar of Dates



A reminder that all of our important dates now feature on our School Website.

Any changes to dates/times are updated immediately via the website which means what you see is always live information. To find the dates, simply head to our website, click **Parents & Carers** then **Calendar of Dates.**



SERVED DAILY: BREAD BASKET, FRUITY WATER, ASSORTED SALAD, SEASONAL VEGETABLES SERVED AT THE COUNTER.

Dishes may change without prior notice. This is a generic menu and may differ to the menu bespoke to your school, check your school's website for full details. New Vegetarian Vegetal B Boosted by hidden fruit and vegetables

We have more FRESHLY COOKED FOOD on our menu's than ever before!

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Cranstoun Drop-in

Do you have questions about your own or someone else's drug or alcohol use?

Drop into Cradley Community Link for free information & advice:

Mon 13 Feb, 10am-1pm Mon 27 Feb, 10am-1pm Mon 13 Mar, 10am-1pm Mon 27 Mar, 10am-1pm

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