

# Temple Meadow Newsletter

## Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

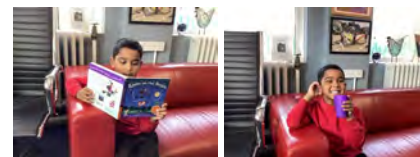
Unbelievably, we break up for Easter today. It has been a whirlwind of activity this spring term at Temple Meadow. There have been so many fun and engaging events including: Music performances to Parent/Carers showcasing all the activity that has been happening within our music curriculum. Being part of the **Year 1 Music Performance** event yesterday, it was so lovely to see children playing musical instruments and singing; all part of their reggae genre. Talking to Parents/Carers as they left, it was clear that they really enjoyed this event.



Thank you for your engagement at home with our **Easter Bonnet Event**. It is always a really colourful event; children really enjoy the opportunity to showcase their Bonnets and the opportunities this brings to be one of the winners.



As with any term, I get lots of opportunities to celebrate fantastic work, effort or behaviour with pupils sharing work or experiences with me and frequently getting Headteacher Awards. On Wednesday, two very proud early writers from Nursery came to visit me and I'm also sharing a picture of a Year 1 pupil enjoying a story and hot chocolate as part of their Class Dojo reward.



**Welcome back Mrs Shelley and Mrs Lowe** from their Maternity leave; it is really nice to have them back as part of the Teaching and Support Team. After Easter, we welcome Miss Barnham back from maternity and welcome two new members of the staff team: **Miss Field**, our new **Learning Support** along with **Mrs Mehmood** who joins our lunch team.

Closing this term, I **would like to say loudly an enormous thank you to everybody in all teams** for all the incredible hard work that goes into ensuring Temple Meadow is such an engaging, 'warm', safe, well-cared for and well organised school community and environment. It is because we work so effectively within each team that collectively we create a school that we are all very proud of.

I would also like to **say loudly that the quality of teaching and learning that happens throughout the day and every single day is something the teaching team** should be very proud of. The time and energy teachers and support put into delivering quality learning experiences is phenomenal; the sophisticated way ICT is used to enhance learner engagement and experiences is high quality. If you walk into a Temple Meadow classroom during learning time, it is emotionally warm, engaging, safe, fun and purposeful. Learning behaviours from pupils are very positive and when some pupils make poor choices, the manner in which this is dealt with is very sensitive to wider needs. We frequently have visitors to school such as link governors or other Headteachers; our School Improvement Advisor and Inclusion Support Team; all are very complimentary of what they see. In our recent Governor link visit, it was said that there were 'high levels of expectation and engagement' with pupil writing and that 'pupil clearly demonstrate a sense of pride in their books.' The teaching team go so above and beyond every day and **I think our Year 6 team exemplify this** by running a KS2 SATS booster club (with the hook of hot chocolate) after school to support pupils getting the best possible outcomes in their KS2 SATS; they do this after a full on and busy day teaching—now that is dedication!

### Year 1 visit to Dudley Zoo

On Monday 20th March 2023, Our Year 1 pupils had a lovely visit to Dudley Zoo to see the animals. They were so excited to see the tigers, lions and giraffes. Their behaviour was exemplary and we would like to thank all of the parent volunteers who came with us.



### Children in Need

The total raised for Children in Need was £122.07. Thank you as always for your generous donations.



### Year 5 Visit to Holy Trinity Church

Year 5 attended the Holy Trinity Church yesterday and Miss Nugent and Mrs Ahmed were blown away by the inquisitive questions the children were asking. The children learnt about the story of Easter and the sacrifices Jesus made for Christians. The children showed a great level of respect and thoroughly enjoyed their visit and it was topped off with a small chocolate egg to eat! This Religious Education trip enabled some children to visit a Church for the very first time.



### Year 3 visit to Cadbury's World

On Tuesday 21st March 2023, Year 3 visited Cadbury World following their key text, 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. The children had a wonderful time exploring the tropical rain forest and discovering how the Mayan people used Cocoa beans instead of money. They learnt how the Cadbury brothers began from humble beginnings, making chocolate drinks in London and progressing to buying land in Bournville and expanding their chocolate empire. Everyone was allowed to write their names in liquid chocolate and also to sample some chocolate, choosing a topping of their choice. It was such a lovely day and the children behaved impeccably.

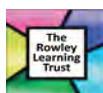


### Year 4 visit to Kingswood

On Friday 24th March 2023, Year 4 pupils attended Kingswood. During the day, pupils were challenged with a variety of activities, which included: leap of faith, archery, fire lighting and fencing. These activities required pupils to develop new skills and work together as a team in order to achieve success. All pupils completed the 'challenge by choice' activities and were motivated by their peers. At the end of the day, all pupils had acquired a new set of skills and completed all activities. All Year 4 pupils felt very proud of trying something new and reaching their goals.



Have a lovely Easter, stay safe, Ms Walsh—Headteacher





# Easter Bonnet



Cameron — Reception Carle

Grayson — Reception Murphy

Amelia—1 Donaldson

Leslie—1 Tomlinson

Chloe—2 Dahl

Alivia—2 Geraghty

Mathew—The Hub

Esme—3 Fine

Destiny —3 Strong

Kara-Jai- 4 Ahlberg

Hugo—5 Pullman

Taylor-Grace —5 Rosen

Quinn—6 Morpurgo

William—6 Rowling

**Yesterday, we hosted our Easter Bonnet Parade. Thank you to all Parents/Carers who engaged with their children to create their wonderful Bonnets.**

**Pupils had a lot of fun showing off their Bonnets to their peers and above you can see some of our favourite Bonnets!**





# Safe of Success



Congratulations to our Safe of Success winners today! Through our random generator, the following pupils received some great prizes!

KS1 Attendance: Subhan—2 Geraghty

KS2 Attendance: Tyler—6 Rowling

KS1 Maths: Brogan—1 Donaldson

KS2 Maths: Callum—6 Rowling

KS1 Reading: Tommy—1 Tomlinson

KS2 Reading: Emilia —3 Fine

KS1 Writing: Oakey—2 Dahl

KS2 Writing: Riley—5 Pullman





# Science Selfie



Hayden: "I'll hold the cup, use the spoon to scoop him in Hannah".



We have found a slug.  
Hannah: "We need to make him a home Hayden. Get some twigs".



Hayden: "I have some leaves and twigs".



Hannah: "Tip him on the leaves Hayden".

We had a pond in our garden with frogs in it. A year ago mummy and daddy got rid of our pond but we saw two frogs in our garden. We caught them in a box and looked after them over the weekend.

The frogs were friends!



Baby frogs.  
Mummy said, "This is called frogspawn".



A daddy frog

A mummy frog



Thank you to all of the families that worked together to complete a science investigation at home and sent their science selfies into school. We had so many entries and children have really enjoyed sharing their science experiments with their class. We celebrated all entries in assembly this morning and the science ambassadors had the very difficult task of selecting our winners.

We do hope that many of you are inspired to continue to complete science investigations and experiments at home.



# Other News



## Year 4 learning the PBone



Year 4 pupils have had a wonderful time performing to their Parents/Carers and showcasing the skills that they have learnt on the Pbone.

Our Year 1 pupils had a real treat when Miss Churchill came into school and taught them how to play the steel drums. The children learnt the notes C and G and learnt all about Reggae music. They also learnt how to use Makaton whilst singing the song 'Three Little Birds.'

## Celebrating out of school pupil achievements

Hafsah in 5 Rosen recently attended 'SHAPE Your Talent'. The show invited children of a variety of ages to showcase their talents on a stage in front of an audience, in the form of a competition. The first stage was the auditions and winners were chosen at the end of the show, to progress onto the next stage. Well done to Hafsah for taking part.



William in Year 6 recently competed in the Halesowen District Scouts cross country race. He came in 3rd place and is so proud of his achievement. Well done William.





# Other News



The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station at some elections. This new requirement will apply for the first time in England at the local elections on Thursday 4 May 2023.

## WHICH FORMS OF ID CAN I USE TO VOTE?

You may already have a form of photo ID that is acceptable. You can use any of the following:

- Passport issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, a British Overseas Territory, an EEA state or a Commonwealth country
- A photo driving licence issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, or an EEA state (this includes a provisional driving licence)
- A Blue Badge
- Older Person's Bus Pass
- Disabled Person's Bus Pass
- Freedom Pass
- Identity card bearing the Proof of Age Standards Scheme hologram (a PASS card)
- Biometric immigration document
- Ministry of Defence Form 90 (Defence Identity Card)
- National identity card issued by an EEA state

For more information on which forms of photo ID will be accepted, visit The Electoral Commission website or call their helpline on **0800 328 0280**.

- You need photo ID to vote at a polling station.
- Which ID you need to vote at a polling station.
- No ID? How to get some for free.

To hear more about the 2023 elections, visit: [www.sandwell.gov.uk/elections2023](http://www.sandwell.gov.uk/elections2023)





## Calendar of Dates

March 2023

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1 Girls Footb...	2 World Boo... Year 6 Boo...	3 KS1 SATS p...	4	5
6 Multiplicati...	7	8 Girls Footb...	9 Year 6 Boo... KS2 SA...	10	11	12
13	14	15 Girls Footb...	16 Year 6 Boo...	17 Early Years... Red Nose ... Year 4 Pbo...	18	19
20 Year 1 Visit ...	21 Year 3 ...	22 Year 3 Gos... Girls Footb...	23 Year 2 Mus... Year 6 Boo...	24 Year 4 King...	25	26
27	28	29 Girls Footb...	30 Year 1 Mus... Year 6 Boo...	31		
Easter Holiday						

**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**.



# School Lunch Menu

Check  
with your school  
for full details

**NEW FOR  
2022/23**

FILLED JACKET POTATO AND SANDWICH MEAL OPTIONS AVAILABLE DAILY

**Monday**

**Week 1**

MEAT  
FREE

Fish Fingers, Mash Potatoes, Peas & Carrots

Vegetable Lasagne, Garlic Bread, Peas & Carrots or Assorted Salads

Jacket Potato with Cheese  
Assorted Salads

Chocolate Pinwheels  
Strawberry Mousse  
Fresh Fruit Slices

BBQ Chicken Wrap, Sauté Potatoes, Peas & Carrots or Salads

Jacket Potato, Tuna

Cheese & Beans, Assorted Salads

Toffee Cake & Custard  
Fruit Jelly  
Fresh Fruit Platter

Brunch Lunch (Sausage, Bacon, Beans, Omelette, Hash Brown)

Veggie Brunch (Veggie Sausage, Beans, Omelette, Hash Brown)

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Warm Pancakes & Strawberry Sauce  
Muller Yoghurt  
Melon Slices

Chicken Meatballs in Tomato Sauce, Pasta & Assorted Salad

Margarita Pizza, Seasoned Wedges, Sweetcorn & Salad

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo  
Assorted Salads

Sprinkle Tray Bake & Custard  
Cheese & Biscuits with Apple  
Fresh Fruit Salad

Harry Ramsden's Junior Pollock, Chips, Peas, Assorted Salad

Quorn Nuggets, Chips, Peas, Assorted Salad

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Iced Shortbread Biscuit  
Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt  
Fresh Fruit Salad

06/06/22, 27/06/22, 18/07/22, 05/09/22,  
26/09/22, 17/10/22, 14/11/22, 05/12/22,  
09/01/23, 30/01/23, 27/02/23, 20/03/23  
24/04/23, 15/05/23

**Week 2**

MEAT  
FREE

Veggie Burger, Diced Herby Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad

Quorn & Sweet Potato Curry, Naan Bread, Rice, Salad

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Apple & Banana Cake & Custard  
Cheese & Biscuits with Apple  
Fresh Fruit Slices

Beef Grill in a Bun, Cajun Wedges & Baked Beans, Salad

Roasted Vegetable Bake, Crusty Bread, Assorted Salads

Jacket Potato with Beans  
Assorted Salads

Oat & Raisin Cookie & Glass of Milk  
Arctic Roll  
Fresh Fruit Platter

Sweet Chili Chicken Breast, Rice, Veg Medley & Coleslaw

Fishless Finger, Sauté Potatoes, Veg Medley & Coleslaw

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Chocolate & Orange Mud Pie  
Muller Yoghurt  
Melon Slices

Beef Bolognaise, Spaghetti & Garlic Bread

Loaded Pizza, Pasta, Sweetcorn & Salad

Jacket Potato with Cheese  
Assorted Salads

Lemon Drizzle Cake & Custard  
Fruit Jelly  
Fresh Fruit Salad

Fish Fingers, Chips & Baked Beans

Cheese & Red Pepper Flan, Chips, Baked Beans, Salad

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Chocolate Crunch & Custard  
Frozen Toffee Yoghurt  
Fresh Fruit Salad

13/06/22, 04/07/22, 12/09/22, 03/10/22,  
31/10/22, 21/11/22, 12/12/22, 16/01/23,  
06/02/23, 06/03/23, 27/03/23, 01/05/23,  
22/05/23

**Week 3**

MEAT  
FREE

Baked Enchiladas, Peas & Sweetcorn Salad

Quorn Southern Style Burger, Herby Potatoes, Peas & Sweetcorn, Salad

Jacket Potato with Cheese  
Assorted Salads

Banana Muffins  
Muller Yoghurt  
Fresh Fruit Salad

Pork Sausage, Yorkshire Pud & Gravy, Veg Medley & Cauliflower

Cheese & Potato Pie, Veg Medley & Cauliflower

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Melting Moments & Glass of Milk  
Cheese & Biscuits with Apple  
Fresh Fruit Slices

Roast Chicken & Gravy, Roast & Boiled Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrots

Vegan Meatballs, Gravy, Roast & Boiled Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrots

Jacket Potato with Beans  
Assorted Salads

Carrot Cake & Custard  
Fruit Jelly  
Melon Slices

Mexican Beef Chilli, Rice, Sweetcorn & Salad

Loaded Pizza, Sauté Potatoes, Baked Beans & Salad

Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo  
Assorted Salads

Oaty Apple Crumble & Custard  
Vanilla Ice Cream Tub  
Fresh Fruit Platter

Harry Ramsden's Junior Pollock, Chips, Peas, Assorted Salad

Veggie Sausage, Chips, Peas, Assorted Salad

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans  
Assorted Salads

Cornflake Tart & Custard  
Chocolate Whip  
Fresh Fruit Salad

20/06/22, 11/07/22, 19/09/22, 10/10/22,  
07/11/22, 28/11/22, 02/01/23, 23/01/23,  
13/02/23, 13/03/23, 17/04/23, 08/05/23

**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.

**N** New **V** Vegetarian **VG** Vegan **B** Boosted by hidden fruit and vegetables

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



# Sandwell Keeps Talking - Families

Information and tools for parents and carers to use to support early language and communication with babies and young children.

**Pregnancy**

**Birth**

**6-12 months**

**12-23 months**

**2-3 years**

**3-4 years**



**NHS**  
Sandwell and West Birmingham  
NHS Trust



## Sandwell Keeps Talking

The development of children's spoken language is key in Early Years. This language development underpins all seven areas of learning and development. It is through quality interactions with adults and peers in a language-rich environment that children thrive. In Early Years we actively engage children in story-telling, role-play and conversations, where they can share ideas with support and modelling from their teachers and familiar adults. We provide opportunities for children to actively engage in stories, rhymes and poems and non-fiction texts. This enables them to use and embed new words in a range of contexts.

As parents and carers, you can support your child at home through frequently reading to them and through quality interactions and conversations. The Family Information Service offers a website for parents and carers with information and tools to support early language and communication with babies and young children. Sandwell Keeps Talking is Sandwell's initiative to promote Early Language and Communication Skills. The website is full of fantastic information on how you can support your child, as well as links to key services that support communication and language. From pregnancy to age 3-4 years you can find about how your child will develop and what stages they will be at in terms of their communication and language development. Sandwell 'Talking Tips' offers you 10 simple tips of how you can interact with your child on a daily basis.




[Sandwell Keeps Talking | Family Information Service Hub](#)

[Sandwell Keeps Talking - YouTube](#)





## Sandwell Talking Days of the Week

<b>Monday</b>	<p>Get Face to Face Day</p> 
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p>Let your child Lead Day</p> 
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p>Talk about what your child does Day</p> 
<b>Thursday</b>	<p>Limit the amount of questions Day</p> 
<b>Friday</b>	<p>Make screen time, me and you time Day</p> 





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➤ Dates:

Monday 3rd April -

Thursday 6th April  
(4days)

➤ Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm

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<https://holidayactivities.sandwell.gov.uk/>

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Metropolitan Borough Council



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

Cradley Heath Community Link  
72 High Street  
Cradley Heath  
B64 5HA



**Charity No: 1061582**

**cranstoun.org**





# Hurst Green Primary School

Narrow Lane, Halesowen, B62 9NZ



**CIRCUS**  
THEME!

**Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th April (9am - 3.30pm)**

## Multi-Sports Activity Camp

Children aged 5-11, eligible for free school meals and in receipt of a Sandwell HAF Barcode.



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