

Temple Meadow Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

We are now settled in to the new academic year and lots of lovely things are happening in and around school. This week, our Pupil Parliament met for the first time; both myself and Miss Dale were so impressed by their maturity and their ability to discuss and debate a range of items. Their first challenge is to talk to their year groups regarding the rewards they would like linked to our Positive Interactions Policy.



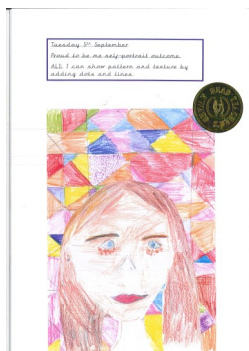
I really enjoyed being invited to be the Mystery Reader in Reception last week and it was lovely to see Parents/Carers in school for their Stay and Play session this week.



I'm sure you will be as impressed as I am with the **beautiful display** in our Dance Studio corridor, celebrating the Inside Outside Project that last year's Year 3 completed. My thanks to Mrs Collins for completing this.



I'm sharing a **truly stunning piece of artwork from Daisy in Year 2**. Not only does she have a Headteacher's Award, but she was also nominated for Star of the Week this morning. Daisy is truly talented.



Here are our Head Boys and Head Girls proudly showing the school our new **Ofsted banners** which will soon be displayed on our school gates.



Last week, we had our first full **Governor meeting** for this academic year. During this meeting, we elect our Chair and Vice Chair and reviewed our vacancies on the Governing Board. Our Chair remains Ben Riley and our Vice Chair is now Claire Lamb. We do have a vacancy for a Parent Governor and we will be sending information about this next week. Information regarding our Governing Board can be located on our School Website under our 'About Us' section.



We are very pleased to tell you that our Eco-Committee have been successful in meeting the requirements for the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award. The Eco-Schools Team were very complimentary about the team and the work that they complete.

Bea from Sandwell Leisure Trust joined us last week; she is running several sports sessions during our lunch provision. So far, pupils have worked on their tennis skills and numerous team games.

6 Rowing have recently begun their swimming sessions at Sandwell Aquatics Centre in Smethwick. They have really enjoyed their swimming lessons so far.

Best regards, Ms Walsh – Headteacher



Other News

Harvest

Miss Barnham has been busy organising the Harvest Festival which will be taking place on Monday 2nd October 2023. On this day, we will have a whole-school Harvest assembly to discuss the importance of this event. We will also be collecting sealed food to donate to The Black Country Foodbank.

The Foodbank helps vulnerable individuals and families in crisis through the provision of 3 days worth of emergency food supplies, which have a huge impact on those who need them. The organisation is dependent upon donations, especially during uncertain times. Please send any donations of sealed, in date tins or packets of food, into school with your child on the above date. We will then ensure that these are stored safely ready for collection from a member of staff from the Foodbank. Attached to the letter sent this week is a leaflet with what the foodbank are currently in desperate need of.

To further celebrate Harvest, after school on Monday 2nd October 2023, we will be hosting an autumn themed competition and a stall of fresh produce grown on school grounds that you are welcome to buy and enjoy. The competition 'Guess the weight of the Pumpkin' will have two stalls running, one for KS1 on the KS1 playground and one for KS2 on the KS2 playground so that there are plenty of chances to win.

Each competition entry costs 20p and you can re-enter up to 5 times. Temple Meadow staff will note down your child's name and class to ensure the winner gets their prize. The winners will be announced in assembly on the following Monday. The money raised will go back to the ECO committee to continue their work across school. The money collected will be cash and coins and you will need to add donations directly into the money box.

One winner in each Key Stage will receive a prize of a food hamper and some autumn themed arts and crafts.

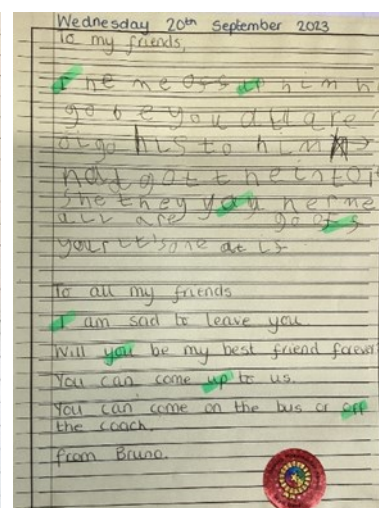
Thank you in advance for your support.

Parking

A reminder to Parents/Carers to be considerate to local residents when parking at the start and end of the school day. Please do not block local residents' driveways. Thank you for your support.

Excellent Work

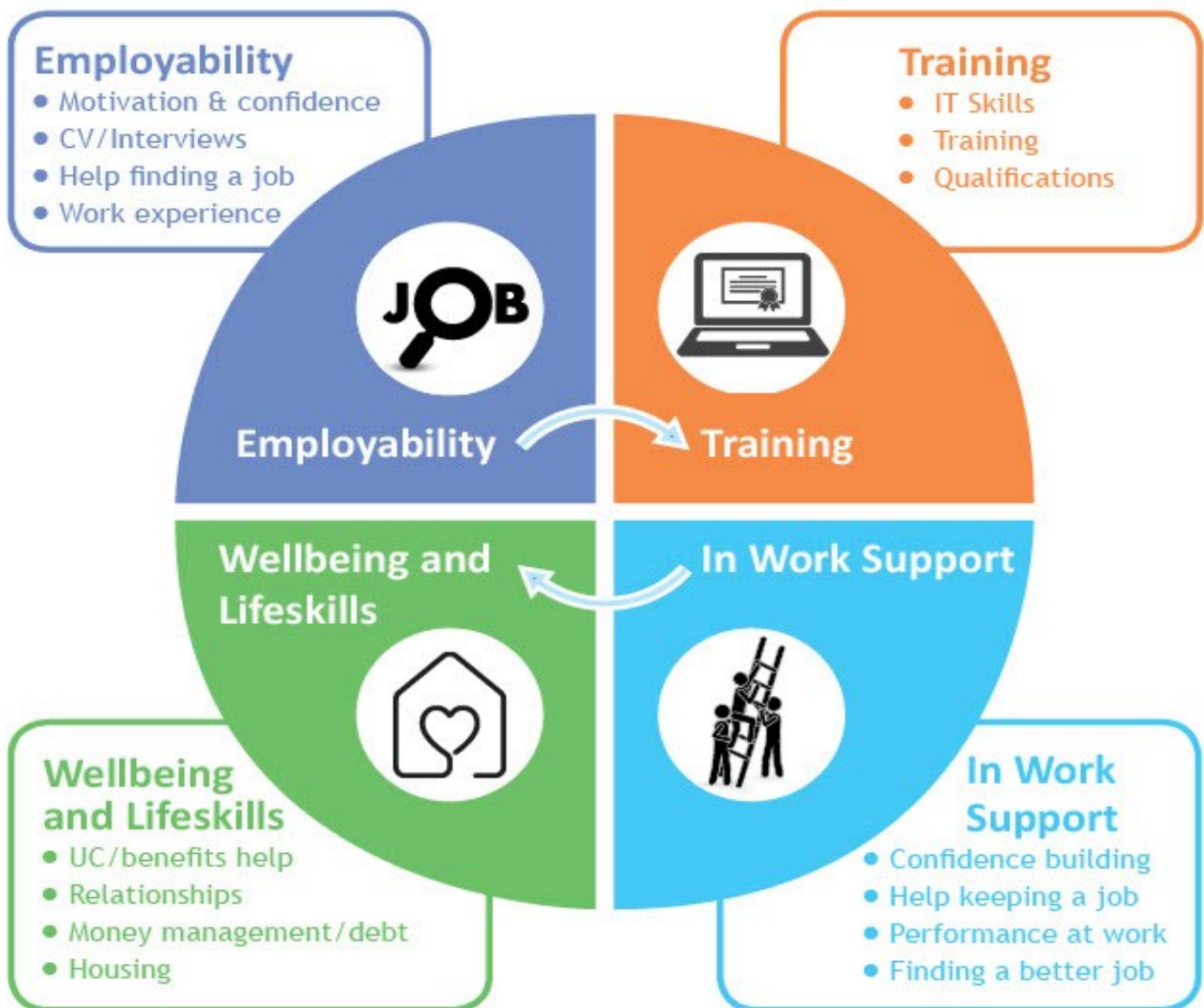
We have had two children sharing their excellent work with Mrs Van Straaten this week; Sienna completed some superb independent writing and Kayson shared a wonderful History outcome. Well done both!





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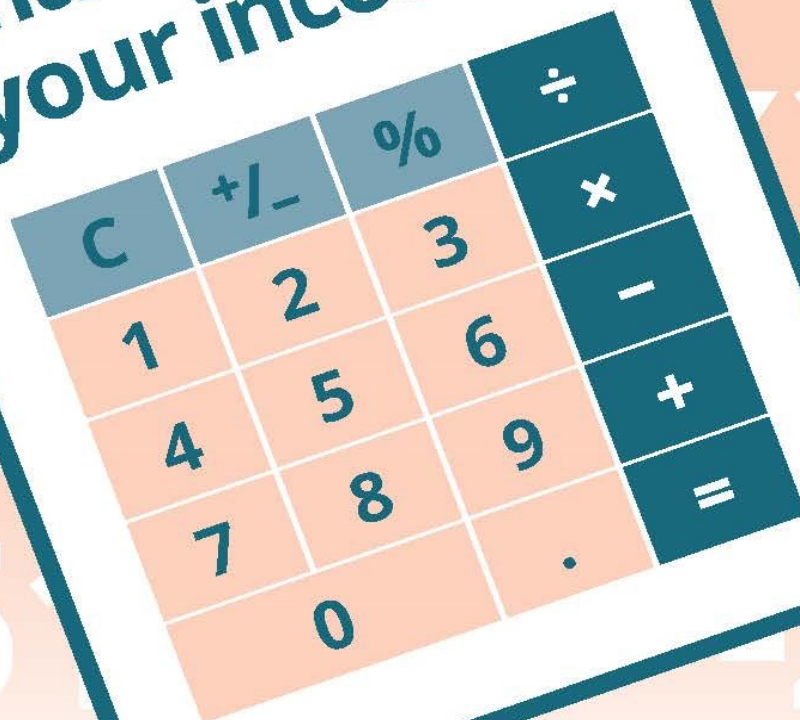
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Overview of Weekly Sessions

Week No	Sessions
Week 1 Introduction	<p><u>Induction and enrolment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction, Induction, and enrolment • Overview of sessions • Introduction to budget planning • Free pen and bag
Week 2 Budgets	<p><u>Budgeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to complete budget planner • Track your regular payments • Complete a sample budget planner from home • Free gift
Week 3 Benefits	<p><u>Benefits</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know what benefits available to working people • Benefit Check (if needed) • How to apply and submitting online applications • Free gift
Week 4 Energy	<p><u>Energy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy Saving tips • Common energy myths • How to switch suppliers • Available grants and financial support • Free gift
Week 5 Debt	<p><u>Debt Management</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority and non-priority debts • Knowing your rights (Consumer Credit Act) • Tips to stay out of debt • Financial wellness and mental health • Free gift

Week 6 Everyday Savings	<p><u>Everyday Savings</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefits of saving • Types of saving accounts • Managing your money • Savings on groceries and utilities • Free gift
Week 7	<p><u>Challenging Incorrect Bills</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding energy bills • Consumer rights • Submitting a complaint • Free gift
Week 8	<p><u>Smart Shopping</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Savvy shopping saving tips • Calculating item costs • Finding the best deals + price comparisons • Taste testing • Free gift
Week 9	<p><u>Floater Week</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to suggestion • Free gift
Week 10	<p><u>Celebration and Achievement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of learning • Certificate of achievement • Resources available for job searches/career and academic progression • Cake!

Would
you like to
improve your
numeracy
skills to
maximise
your income?



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**SKILLS
FOR LIFE**

Multiply

Multiply is a new government-funded programme to help adults access free numeracy and financial literacy courses to build confidence and skills with numbers for everyday life and in the workplace.

In Sandwell, it funds the Numbers for Life programme, for adults who are:

**In full or part-time work | Volunteering | Aged 19 or over
Without a maths GCSE (grade C or equivalent)**

Numbers for Life can help you with:

**Managing your money effectively | Savvy shopping
Understanding your bills | Budgeting, saving, and banking
Energy saving tips | Knowing your benefit entitlement**

We are providing free courses and workshops in community venues, in a welcoming and friendly environment to improve your skills with numbers. Numbers for Life is delivered in partnership between **Sandwell Consortium, Citizens Advice Sandwell & Walsall** and **Sandwell Council**.

You can refer yourself or someone else directly to the programme -

For further information or to register your interest please email **multiply@citizensadvice-sandwell-walsall.org** or scan the QR code and one of our team will be in touch.



Calendar of Dates

March 2023

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
27	28	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	1	2
3 Easter Holiday	4	5	6	7	8	9

Example

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**.

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Dates:

Week 1

Cheesy Quesadilla, Sweetcorn,
Green Beans or SaladFishless Fingers, Sweetcorn, Green
Beans or SaladJacket Potato with Cheese
Assorted SaladsBaked Apple Sponge & Custard
Muller YoghurtChicken Meatballs & Gravy, Mashed
Potato, Broccoli, Vegetable MedleyVegan Meatballs & Gravy, Mashed
Potato, Broccoli, Vegetable Medley

Cheese & Beans, Assorted Salads

Brownie Bites & Mandarin Oranges
Vanilla Ice CreamBrunch Lunch (Sausage, Bacon,
Beans, Omelette, Hash Brown)Veggie Brunch (Veggie Sausage,
Beans, Omelette, Hash Brown)Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsChocolate Crispies
Fruit JellyCajun Chicken with Pineapple Salsa, Pasta,
Sweetcorn or Assorted SaladMargherita Pizza, Pasta, Sweetcorn or
Assorted SaladJacket Potato with Tuna Mayo
Assorted SaladsOat & Raisin Cookie
Muller Yoghurt

Fish Fingers, Chips, Peas, or Salad

Quorn Vegan Nuggets, Chips, Peas or
SaladJacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsCornflake Tart & Custard
Strawberry Mousse2023: 05/06. 26/06. 17/07. 04/09.
25/09. 16/10. 13/11. 04/12.

2024: 08/01. 29/01. 26/02. 18/03

Week 2

Quorn Southern Style Burger, Savoury
Rice, Green Beans or SaladMargherita Pizza Pasta Bake, Green
Beans or SaladJacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsArctic Roll
Chocolate Mousse
Fresh Fruit SlicesRoast Chicken & Gravy, Roast Potatoes,
Broccoli, CarrotsDahl, Bombay Potatoes, Naan Bread or
SaladJacket Potato with Beans
Assorted SaladsOaty Apple Crumble & Custard
Frozen Strawberry YoghurtBeef Chilli & Cheese Loaded Wedges,
Peas, Sweetcorn or SaladSticky Sausage, Loaded Wedges,
Peas, Sweetcorn or SaladJacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsChocolate Cookie
Muller YoghurtPepperoni Pizza Sauté Potatoes
or Assorted SaladMargherita Pizza, Sauté Potatoes
or Assorted Salad

Jacket Potato with Tuna mayo

Fruit Muffin
Fruit JellyHarry Ramsden Battered Pollock,
Chips & Baked Beans

Vegetable Bake, Chips, Baked Beans

Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsIced Shortbread Biscuit
Muller Yoghurt2023: 12/06. 03/07. 24/07. 11/09.
02/10. 23/10. 20/11. 11/12.

2024: 15/01. 05/02. 04/03

Week 3

Fish Fingers, Mashed Potatoes,
Peas, CarrotsMac 'n' Cheese, Herby Bread,
Peas, Carrots or SaladJacket Potato with Cheese
Assorted SaladsChocolate & Cherry Muffin
Muller yoghurtChicken Curry, Brown & White Rice,
Naan Bread or SaladVegetable Curry, Brown & White
Rice, Naan Bread or SaladJacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsLemon Slice & Custard
Fruit JellyPork Sausage, Jacket Wedges, Spaghetti
Hoops or SweetcornVegetarian Sausage, Jacket Wedges,
Spaghetti Hoops or SweetcornJacket Potato with Beans
Assorted SaladsApple Flapjack & Custard
Vanilla Ice Cream TubBeef Bolognese with Pasta & Garlic Bread
or SaladMargherita Pizza, Pasta, Coleslaw or
Assorted SaladJacket Potato with Tuna Mayo
Assorted SaladsSprinkle Tray Bake & Custard
Very Berry MousseHarry Ramsden's Junior Pollock,
Chips, Mushy Peas or SaladVegan Pastry Roll, Chips,
Mushy Peas or SaladJacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Assorted SaladsMelting Moment
Muller Yoghurt2023: 19/06. 10/07. 18/09. 09/10.
27/11. 18/12.

2024: 22/01. 19/02. 11/03

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

Fruit and
water
served
daily