



Thomas Telford Primary Free School

26th September 2025

General Updates

To help maintain a smart and safe school environment, we kindly remind parents of our uniform expectations. Pupils should wear school shoes on non-PE days—trainers are not permitted. Jewellery is not allowed, except for small stud earrings. Hair should be tied up on PE days.

Thank you for your continued support in upholding our standards.

Drop-off Arrangements

As we move into colder and wetter weather, we're working to make drop-off and pick-up as smooth and efficient as possible.

Starting Monday, we kindly ask all Year 3, 4, and 5 parents to say goodbye to their children at the school gates. Pupils will then enter the grounds and building independently. Over the last couple of weeks, the children have shown that they are very confident with the drop-off arrangements and we are sure that they will cope very well with the opportunity to demonstrate further independence by walking into school on their own.

We are also happy for Year 1 and Year 2 to enter the school grounds independently, this is optional if parents wish to walk to the playground with the children. We will be looking to manage all children entering through the main entrance door in the coming weeks, to reduce the waiting time outside.

Mrs Whiting and Miss Turner will be at the gates each morning should you need to pass on a quick message. Alternatively, parents are welcome to enter the grounds shortly after drop-off and after the children have all entered school to speak with the office team.

Thank you for your continued support!

Birthday Celebrations at School

We kindly ask that families do not send in cakes or treats from home for birthdays or other special occasions. This is to help keep all children safe, especially with the increasing number of serious allergies, and to be mindful of the current cost of living, which we know affects many in our community.

If you would still like to mark your child's special day in a meaningful way, we warmly invite you to donate a book to the school library. The book will include your child's name and birthday inside, creating a lasting memory for them and a gift for others to enjoy.

Rest assured, we will continue to celebrate each child's birthday in school with a cheerful rendition of "Happy Birthday" and warm wishes for a wonderful day!



Please contact the school office if you would like to have the opportunity to be involved with our very first Parent Teacher Association (PTA). We welcome your support in whatever way, however big or small.

Important letters for you to look out for

Alongside this newsletter, please take the time to read the other documents you will have been sent this week. These include:

- TAARC Workshop Letter
- Menu change on 2nd October
- Homework arrangements
- Y5 – Walking Home
- Music Service Assembly

Harvest is on the Horizon

On Friday 10th October, we will be holding our harvest assembly. This year we will be donating to Telford Crisis. We would welcome any donations to be brought into school on Thursday 9th so we can create our harvest display and make our school donation to a representative from the charity who will be joining us.



Meet the SENDCo

I would like to offer parents of children with SEND the opportunity to meet with myself as Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator at Thomas Telford Primary Free School.

This will give you an opportunity to discuss how your child has settled in, share any history or updates from external professionals and discuss any other needs or difficulties your child may be experiencing.

Date: Friday 3rd October

Time: Please use the QR code to access a form to confirm your preference of time.

I look forward to meeting with you.

Miss Harrow



[Link to response form](#)

TELFORD CRISIS SUPPORT



Shopping list

We are always grateful to receive the following

Tinned meats - steak, mince, pork, chicken, corned beef etc.

Tinned meals - stew, meatballs, curry, chilli etc.

Tinned veg - potatoes, peas, carrots etc.

Long-life Milk - semi-skimmed & whole

Pasta sauces & pasta bakes

Rice pudding & tinned fruit

Tinned tuna & salmon

Pasta & noodle pots

Chocolate

Biscuits

Coffee

Sugar

We also welcome any dietary-specific foods, vegetarian, gluten-free, free-from etc.



Shampoo

Toothpaste

Deodorant

Toothbrushes

Shaving Foam

Disposable razors

Shower Gel & Soap

Feminine Care Products

Remembrance Events



As part of our remembrance events, we are keen to invite guests into school to talk to children about life in the armed forces. If you or any family members are interested in coming in to speak to the children, showing them their uniform and a little bit about what their role entails then please contact Mrs Davies TTPS@ttprimaryschool.co.uk

Upcoming Events & Dates to be aware of

Tuesday 30th September

- Year 2 Trip Ironbridge

Friday 3rd October

- **Meet the SENDCo** - see flyer above and on last week's newsletter

Monday 20th October

- **School Social** - Join us after school to have a little look in the classrooms, informally chat with the staff and meet other parents. Refreshments (drinks and biscuits/cake) will be available to purchase too.

Wednesday 22nd October

- **Halloween Disco** - Disco held after school, watch out for further details coming soon.

News from the classrooms

Year 4/5:

Our Year 5 pupils were excellent ambassadors for our school during the Snaptrap event at Redhill. They walked sensibly to and from the venue and showed great engagement throughout the activities. Their behaviour and enthusiasm were a real credit to the school. In PE, our dance performances are developing beautifully. This week, we have used techniques such as Cannon, Matching, and Mirroring within our work. The children worked creatively and showed great teamwork and expression.



Year 1:

Year 1 have been busy learning new phonics sounds and have worked hard to apply them in both their reading and writing this week. We are especially proud of the enthusiasm and energy displayed during our fitness workshop on National Fitness day! In art, we explored the work of Ines Koudis, and the children created their own fantastic collages in her style using cuttings from newspapers and magazines.



Reception:

In reception we have started our drawing club lessons based on the Colour Monster. The children have shown great drawing skills and begun to apply phonics to label their drawings with some of our newly learnt sounds.

Year 3:

This week Year 3 have been enjoying discovering what life was like during the Stone Age. As well as visiting the Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre, they have been exploring fiction and non-fiction books to learn more about this interesting period in history. Have a little look at our trip news on the following page to see what we did on our day out!

Year 2:

Year 2 had an exciting Science lesson this week exploring which material was the most suitable for a spoon to transfer sugar from one bowl to another. We also loved getting involved in National Fitness Day and doing a workout to some of our favourite songs.



Sports News

National Fitness Day was a huge hit, the children enjoyed participating in their fitness sessions with their favourite songs playing at the same time!

Our netballers took part in four exciting matches on Wednesday this week. Their skills and confidence grew with each game, and they showed excellent teamwork throughout. A highlight was the well-earned draw against our sister school, Redhill—a great achievement and a testament to their progress. Well done to all those who played!



Trip news

On Tuesday 23rd September Year 3 visited the Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre to explore what life would have been like during the Stone Age. We discovered more about the 3 main time periods within the Stone Age and also how people changed from a very nomadic lifestyle to then settling and farming.



Spear throwing



Learning how people would have hunted and gathered.

Cave painting



Exploring the museum





Telford Aqua SC

Telford Aqua Swimming Club is an inclusive community competitive swimming club providing teaching, development and coaching. We cater for all aged 5 and above of any ability, including complete beginners right up to competitive standard! We have over 100 members across our range of programmes including: learn to swim, development & competitive squads, and masters (adult swimming). Along with a #TASCFORCE of over 30 volunteers, who have wealth's of knowledge and experience in the world of swimming!

Get in touch, we will invite you to come to an assessment session and then off we go!

Be part of something special and join the #TEAMTASC family!

Learn to Swim

We proudly follow the Swim England stages 1-7 learn to swim framework that aims to support swimmers gain confidence in the water, create a love of swimming, develop strong strokes, gain a knowledge of water safety and also introduce skills for the competitive world of swimming.

Development & Competitive Squads

As a club we provide opportunities for swimmers to take it to the next level and learn skills such as tumble turns, diving and racing! We actively take part in a range of competitions over the year, all aimed at different abilities. We have swimmers who do it for fun & fitness, whilst also having those who are competitive and of a county or regional standard!

Masters

We pride ourselves in being inclusive and embracing our community, which is why we provide swimming opportunities for all, including adults. Whether you're an ex-age group swimmer, completely new to the world of competitive swimming, or a fitness swimmer, we are here for you all.

For further information visit our website www.telfordaquaswimclub.co.uk or our Facebook page @Telfordaquaswimclub

Contact us on tasclnewmember@outlook.com or tasclubsec@outlook.com





TELFORD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

WOLVES FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

Monday Evenings: Outfield & Goalkeeper sessions

Where: Holy Trinity Academy,
Teece Drive, Priorslee,
TF2 9SQ

Who: Mixed (Boys & Girls)
Times: Reception* to Year 7
6:00 - 7:00pm (R-Y7)
*GK from Y2-Y7

Wednesday Evenings: Outfield only sessions

Where: Telford College,
Haybridge Road, Telford,
TF1 2NP

Who: Mixed (Boys & Girls)
Times: Reception to Year 8
6:00 - 7:00pm (R-Y3)
7:00 - 8:00pm (Y4-Y8)

To book, visit coaching.wolves.co.uk or email
footballdevelopment@wolves.co.uk for more information.



TELFORD GOALKEEPER DEVELOPMENT CENTRES

WOLVES FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT

Monday Evenings:

Where: Holy Trinity Academy,
Teece Drive, Priorslee,
TF2 9SQ

Who: Mixed (Boys & Girls)
Years 2 to 7
Times: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Wednesday Evenings:

Where: Telford College,
Haybridge Road, Telford,
TF1 2NP

Who: Mixed (Boys & Girls) Years 2 to 8
Times: 6:00pm - 7:00pm (Years 2 & 3)
7:00pm - 8:00pm (Years 4 to 8)

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