TEMPLEMOOR INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

MAY NEWSLETTER 2019

It's holiday time again!

Can it really be May half term already? It seems as though we have just returned from Easter, and the holidays are here once again. Have a good break and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 10th June for the final half term of this academic year! It promises to be a very busy and exciting half term with our Reception Assembly and our annual Summer Fair, our Year 1 Music Concert and of course our Year 2 Leavers' Assembly. Do take a look at the diary at the end of this newsletter for dates and times of upcoming events.



Oh I do like to be beside the Seaside

Picture a beautiful, sunny day, not a cloud in the sky... and 35 very excited Nursery children! On Wednesday 22nd May, the whole of our Nursery unit, along with staff and adult helpers set off on the long journey by coach to Lytham St Annes. The children built impressive sandcastles, topped with a flag they had made at Nursery. The children spotted shells, seagulls, and pebbles before tucking into a delightful picnic lunch. This was followed by a paddle in the little paddling pool



before getting on the coach to come back to school again. What perfect weather, and perfectly behaved and sensible children too. We all had a really great day! Thank you to everyone, particularly to all of our parent and carer volunteers who helped to make this a wonderful trip to remember.

The return of Cool Down Fridays

With summer hovering just around the corner we are really looking forward to the return of our famous Cool Down Fridays. After the half term holiday, a range of Iollies will be on sale at the school gates each Friday, with all profits going to the Friends of Templemoor.



Year 2 SATs

Well done to all our children in Year 2 for trying so hard in their recent SATs. We were all absolutely thrilled with the effort and determination the children displayed and we are so proud of how the children all persevered even when some of the questions were tricky. In actual fact the children cheered when we brought the special 'quiz' papers into the classroom each morning for them to complete and were quite disappointed when we had finished them! Children, you have all worked so hard and did your very best. You were all AMAZING! Thank you to all of our outstanding staff for preparing the children so well for the tests and for supporting them so carefully throughout this challenging time.

Water Bottles

Research tells us that many children do not drink enough water during the school day and that drinking adequate amounts of water regularly throughout the day can protect health, contribute to well-being and improve concentration and learning. At Templemoor, water is available for the children throughout the day via water fountains. To further promote the regular drinking of water and UNICEF Article 24, that 'Every child has the right to access clean water', children are also allowed to



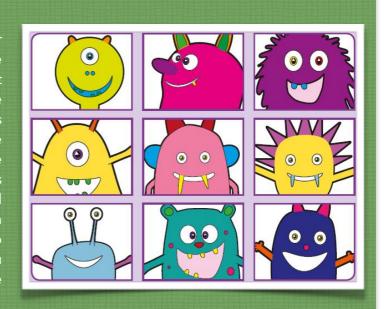
bring in their own water bottles each day. Please note that ONLY WATER IS ALLOWED IN WATER BOTTLES and that it is the children's responsibility to take their water bottles home each day to be refilled. Thank you for your continued support and co-operation in managing the practicalities of, and supporting, this healthy initiative.

Spring Term Parent Survey

Thank you to all our Parents and Carers who took the time to complete our Annual Parent Survey in April. We had 87 responses. We are very grateful for the very positive comments received and for some great recommendations on how we could be even better. Results of the survey will be sent out to all parents at the start of next half term and will be available to download from our school website.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

During the week beginning 10th June 2019, all Year 1 children and some Year 2 children will take the National Phonics Screening check. This is a short assessment which determines if children have reached the national expectation in decoding words (20 real and 20 pseudo words). Results will be communicated to all parents of children who take the screening in their end of year report. The test is completed in a relaxed manner, and administered one to one with your child's own teacher in a comfortable and familiar place. Feel free to talk to your child's teacher if you have any concerns. You have no need to discuss the check with them. We don't want the children to worry!



Nursery Places Available

We still have spaces available in our outstanding Nursery for September 2019. To apply for a Nursery place or to find out more information, contact the school office. Please spread the word!

Nursery Induction Evening

Our Induction Evening for parents with children starting in Nursery in September 2019 will be on Wednesday 19th June at 7pm.

Reception Induction Evening

Our Induction Evening for parents with children starting in Reception in September 2019 will be on Wednesday 26th June at 7pm.

Topics after the holidays

Our exciting topic titles for after the Whit Holidays are:

Nursery	How high can you jump?
Reception	Do cows drink milk?
Year 1	Rio de Vida (Brazil)
Year 2	Towers, Tunnels and Turrets

Goodbye (for now!) Mrs Ree

I'm sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Ree all the very best as she leaves us to go on maternity. Mrs Leigh will be teaching Class 3 every Wednesday and an experienced early years teacher, Mrs Thompson, will be teaching Reception Ladybirds on Thursday afternoons.

Year 2 Parents' Meeting at Moorlands

Parents of Year 2 children who will be moving to Year 3 in September are invited to a special transition meeting at Moorlands at 6:30pm on Wednesday 3rd July 2019.



Safeguarding Review

Templemoor is totally committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We have a number of policies and procedures in place that contribute to our safeguarding commitment, and these can be viewed on the school website. We recently commissioned an external safeguarding consultant to spend the full day in school to complete a full and rigorous safeguarding review. The consultant reported that Templemoor has excellent and robust safeguarding systems in place which are evident within the daily operational running of the school and that we are fully compliant with our safeguarding duties.

Soccer Aid Playground Challenge

Soccer Aid for Unicef 2019 is just around the corner and we're really excited to be getting involved this year with our very own Playground Challenge! This is a great opportunity for our pupils to enjoy being active and to raise money for children around the world whose lives have been disrupted by disease, hunger and poverty.

On Thursday 13th June we will be having a fun obstacle course on the field which the whole school will take part in. Children will be allowed to come to school in sportswear that day in return for a £1 donation. Every £1 our school raises for Soccer Aid for Unicef will be doubled by the UK government. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Summer Term 2019

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Monday10th June 2019	Back to school for the last part of the summer
	term
	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
Tuesday 11th June 2019	Year 2 (Class 2) trip to Chirk Castle
Wednesday 12th June 2019	Year 2 (Class 1) trip to Chirk Castle
Thursday 13th June 2019	Soccer Aid Playground Challenge
Friday 14th June 2019	Father's Day Secret Gift Shop
	Cool Down Fridays ice lolly sales start
Week beginning 17th June 2019	Science Week
Wednesday 19th June 2019	New Nursery Parents' Induction Meeting at 7pm
Wednesday 26th June 2019	New Reception Parents' Induction Meeting at 7pm
Monday 1st July 2019	Moorlands Orchestra are visiting Templemoor
Wednesday 3rd July 2019	Year 2 Recorder Concert at 2:15pm
	Year 2 Parents' Meeting at Moorlands at 6:30pm
Friday 5th July 2019	Nursery Cake Sale (for the Summer Fair)
Saturday 6th July 2019	The Summer Fair at 2pm to 4pm
Tuesday 9th July 2019	Year 1 Ocarina Concert at 2:30pm
Thursday 11th July 2019	Reception Assembly at 9am
Thursday 25th July 2019	Year 2 Leavers' Disco at 5pm
Friday 26th July 2019	Year 2 Leavers' Assembly at 9am
	School Breaks up for the Summer Holiday at
	3:15pm

Summer Term 2019

Opens	Tuesday 23rd April 2019
Bank Holiday Monday (School is closed)	Monday 6th May 2019
Closes	Friday 24th May 2019
Opens	Monday 10th June 2019
Closes	Friday 26th July 2019

Below you will find the calendar for the academic year 2019 to 2020

Autumn Term 2019

Opens	Tuesday 3rd September 2019
Closes	Friday 18th October 2019
Opens	Tuesday 29th October 2019
Closes	Friday 20th December 2019

Spring Term 2020

Opens	Monday 6th January 2020
Closes	Thursday 6th February 2020
Opens	Monday 17th February 2020
Closes	Friday 27th March 2020

Summer Term 2020

Opens	Tuesday 14th April 2020
Bank Holiday Monday (School is closed)	Monday 4th May 2020
Closes	Friday 22nd May 2020
Opens	Monday 8th June 2020
Closes	Friday 24th July 2020

Staff Training Days (School will be closed)

Monday 2nd September 2019
Monday 28th October 2019
Friday 7th February 2020
Monday 27th July 2020
Tuesday 28th July 2020