

# TEMPLEMOOR INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

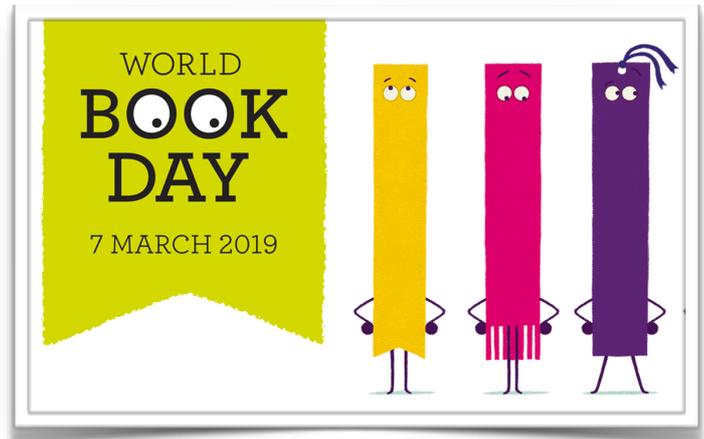
FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2019

## Welcome back!

Welcome back to school! We hope that you all had a very enjoyable and restful February holiday! As usual this half term is extremely busy with lots of exciting events planned in the run up to Easter.

## Safer Internet Day 2019

Recent research has revealed that one in three children aged 5 and upwards now own their own tablet computer, with four in ten children aged 5+ going online. At Templemoor we strongly believe in educating our children from an early age on 'how to stay safe online' and we have established e-safety lessons within school. This year Safer Internet Day was on 5th February. The children in Year 1 and Year 2 had attended an informative e-safety assembly and every class had a special e-safety lesson about using the computer safely to access the internet. We also have an e-safety section on our website where you can find the latest advice on how you can educate your child to keep safe online as well as other useful e-safety information and resources. Please click [HERE](#) to visit our website.



## World Book Day

Don't forget that this coming Thursday 7th March is World Book Day. Our theme for World Book Day is bedtime stories. We would like all children to come to school dressed in their pyjamas and to bring a favourite bedtime book. There will be lots of exciting book themed activities taking place in school. Further information about World Book Day can be found at: [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)

## Spring Term Parents' Evening

We will be holding Parents' Evening this term on Tuesday 26th March and Tuesday 2nd April from 2:30pm to 6pm. Our online booking system will open to parents from Tuesday 5th March 2019. If you need any help with logging on to the booking system then please contact the office. Thank you.

## Reception Music Concert

Reception parents and carers are invited to a special Reception Concert in the school hall on Wednesday 20th March 2019 at 10:30am where the children will showcase the magnificent work that they have been doing with their music teacher Mrs Harwood.

### A message from the Governors



As Governor and Deputy Headteacher I am in the fortunate position of having a very varied role at our wonderful school.

As English Lead at Templemoor I have absolutely loved seeing all the photographs that have come into school for our Extreme Reading Competition and would like to thank you so much for your support with this. The children have thoroughly enjoyed sharing their photographs with their classmates. It really is amazing to go around school and hear the children talk about the books that they are reading at home and the stories that are being read to them. The winning entry from each class will be announced very soon, the winner will be able to choose a fabulous book from our book fair to take home.

Our Unicef Rights Respecting work continues this week as new members join our team. We had a fantastic meeting this week where we played a WANTS and NEEDS game. We explored the difference between a WANT and a NEED. We talked about wants being things that both adults and children may like to have but are not essential, and needs being the essential things that children and adults need in order to live, develop and survive. The children's thoughtful comments and insights were very impressive for children of such a young age. The children also feel that we need to continue our work on supporting the homelessness in Manchester. We are meeting next week to come up with some plans!

If you would like to learn more about the work that we are doing in school for our Rights Respecting Meeting and play the WANTS and NEEDS game you are invited to an informal workshop at **9am -9:30am on Thursday 21st March.**

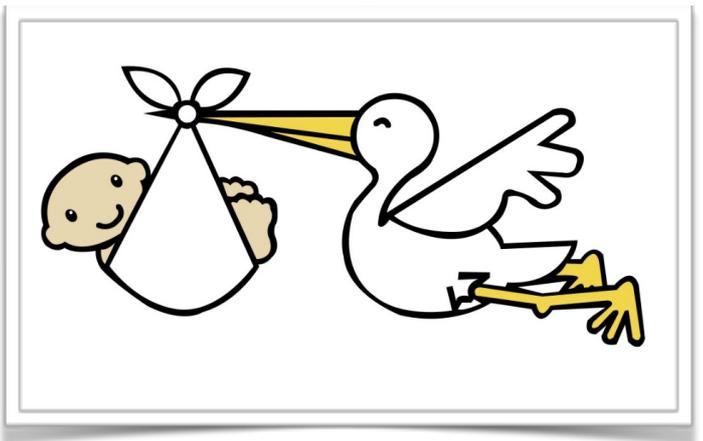
*Shirley Brown - Staff Governor*

### Keeping Safe in the Car Park

Can we please remind you all to make sure that your children DO NOT scoot or cycle across the school car park.

May we also kindly ask you not to allow children to walk behind the pedestrian railing to pet/stroke dogs (even if it is their own dog). There has been an increase in the number of children who do this.

Dogs are very welcome if they are tied up outside of the school playground and it is great to see that dog owners abide by this rule... thank you! However, there is increased vehicular activity at the start and end of the school day, making the car park unsafe for pedestrians.



### Exciting News!

Some of you will have noticed that Mrs Ree is expecting a baby. She will begin her maternity leave in June. We would like to send our congratulations to Mrs Ree and her husband at this exciting time.



### Year 2 Recorder Concert

All parents and carers of our Year 2 children who currently play the recorder are invited to join us in the school hall on Wednesday 20th March at 2:15pm for a special recorder concert.

### Year 1 and Year 2 Mathematics Workshops

We enjoyed sharing how we teach addition and subtraction with our Year 1 and Year 2 parents and carers in the Mathematics Workshop. The workshop was well supported and we received very positive feedback:

"It was very interesting to hear that a simple change in the language we use to talk about terms like subtraction can help children understand the concept."

"Fantastic - very clear, good examples of concrete, pictorial and abstract. Thank you".

"I found it really interesting and useful. I'm always concerned that I teach maths the 'wrong way' at home".

For those of you who could not attend we have uploaded the workshop presentations on to our school website under the tab 'Learning' and 'Mathematics'.



### Friends of Templemoor Film Afternoon

Join us on Sunday 10th March 2019 at 2pm for a Family Film Afternoon. We will be showing the wonderful movie Paddington 2. Children (and grown ups!) are welcome to bring a beanbag or blanket and their favourite teddy with them to enjoy the film. Children will be given popcorn, sweets and a drink. This is a family event and siblings and friends are most welcome. Head to [www.pta-events.co.uk/templemoorfot](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/templemoorfot) to book your tickets now.

### Choir Club Singing Concert

There will be a special singing concert for parents and carers of those children who attend Choir Club on Tuesday 19th March 2019 at 3:30pm.



### Lost Property

We have rather a large amount of lost property that has accumulated in school from hats, gloves and scarves to even coats and a shoe! Please make sure your children's belongings are named - it does not make them any more difficult to lose but it does make it much easier for them to be returned to their rightful owner! If you think your child may have left something in school please encourage them to look for it.

### Year 2 Assembly

All parents and carers of our Year 2 children are invited to join us in the school hall on Thursday 14th March at 9am for our Year 2 assembly.

## Dates for the Spring Term 2019

Friday 1st March 2019	Year 1 Cake Sale
Thursday 7th March 2019	World Book Day
Sunday 10th March 2019	Friends of Templemoor Movie Afternoon at 2pm
Tuesday 12th March to Tuesday 19th March 2019	Book Fair
Thursday 14th March 2019	Year 2 Assembly at 9am
Tuesday 19th March 2019	Choir Club Concert at 3:30pm
Wednesday 20th March 2019	Reception Music Concert at 10:30am Year 2 Recorder Concert at 2:15pm
Thursday 21st March 2019	Rights Respecting Workshop at 9am
Tuesday 26th March 2019	Parents' Evening
Friday 29th March 2019	Reception Assembly at 9am Mother's Day Gift Shop
Week beginning Monday 1st April 2019	Healthy Minds and Healthy Bodies Week
Tuesday 2nd April 2019	NSPCC Visiting School Parents' Evening
Friday 5th April 2019	School breaks up for the Easter Holiday at 3:15pm

## Spring Term 2019

<b>Opens</b>	Monday 7th January 2019
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 8th February 2019
<b>Opens</b>	Monday 18th February 2019
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 5th April 2019

## Summer Term 2019

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

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

**Autumn Term 2019**

<b>Opens</b>	Tuesday 3rd September 2019
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 18th October 2019
<b>Opens</b>	Tuesday 29th October 2019
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 20th December 2019

**Spring Term 2020**

<b>Opens</b>	Monday 6th January 2020
<b>Closes</b>	Thursday 6th February 2020
<b>Opens</b>	Monday 17th February 2020
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 27th March 2020

**Summer Term 2020**

<b>Opens</b>	Tuesday 14th April 2020
<b>Bank Holiday Monday (School is closed)</b>	Monday 4th May 2020
<b>Closes</b>	Friday 22nd May 2020
<b>Opens</b>	Monday 8th June 2020
<b>Closes</b>	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