

TEMPLEMOOR INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

APRIL NEWSLETTER 2022

It's the Summer Term!

Welcome back to school! We hope that you all enjoyed the Easter holiday and are looking forward to a very busy Summer Term. The children have come back to school refreshed and are keen to continue their learning journey!

Reception Airport Trip

It was up, up and away for the children in Bees and Ladybirds as they visited Manchester Runway Visitor Centre on Wednesday. The children were excited to see the planes taking off and landing. At the Runway Centre the children had first-hand experiences of sitting in the flight deck of the DC10 and dressing up as the pilots.

The children were even given the opportunity to walk underneath the iconic Concorde. A fantastic afternoon was had by all! Thank you to the Reception Team for organising the trip, and to our wonderful Reception children for being so inquisitive and polite!

Here is what some of our children thought about the visit:

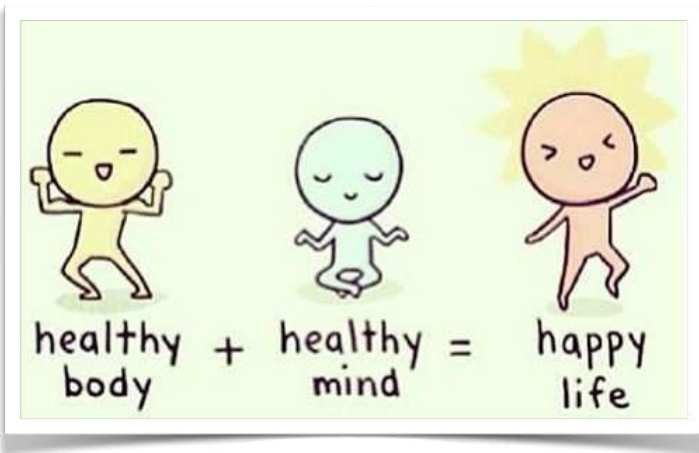
"I loved going in the belly of the aeroplane. I saw loads of cool stuff! I even saw where the wheels go when it takes off". *Harry*



"The bus was fun! I sat upstairs and the branches were scratching the windows! I also loved dressing up as a pilot". *Evan*

"I loved going in the big room to see Concorde, and I loved being a pilot too!" *Edith*





Healthy Bodies and Healthy Minds Week

Our 'Healthy Bodies and Healthy Minds' week will take place the week beginning Tuesday 3rd May. During the week the children will take part in an exciting range of activities that will promote health and well-being. This includes workshops delivered by Freddy Fit, Progressive Sports and 'We are Adventurers' as well as games sessions with Mr Bates our PE coach.

On Thursday of that week, children will also take part in a sponsored jump - so keep practicing that skipping! Sponsorship money can be paid via the following [link](#).

In PHSE, the children will take part in mindfulness sessions. They will learn all about looking after our bodies, the importance of sleep and healthy eating. Children will also take part in activities to further develop their resilience and perseverance.

We will also be working with resources produced by the NSPCC, the UK's leading children's charity,

to deliver a 'Speak out. Stay safe.' assembly, next Friday, outlining the importance of children having a voice and telling an adult if something is worrying them at home or at school.

If you work in healthcare or well-being and would like to come and talk to your child's class about the work that you do, we would love to hear from you! Please contact your child's class teacher via Seesaw to arrange a suitable time to talk to the class.

For the whole of next week, children must come to school in their **school** PE Kit. Thank you for your support!

Nursery Welcome Evening

Our Welcome Evening for parents with children starting in Nursery in September 2022 will be on Tuesday 21st June at 6:30pm.

Reception Welcome Evening

Our Welcome Evening for parents with children starting in Reception in September 2022 will be on Wednesday 6th July 2022 at 6:30pm.

Whit Holiday Club 2022

Miss McCartney and her holiday club team are already busy planning some wonderful and exciting activities for our Whit Half Term Holiday Club. Please log in to Scopay to make your bookings. To find out further information contact the X Club at: xclub@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk. For the Whit Holiday, we are excited to be offering a bring a friend service! Further details will be sent out very shortly.



May Day Holiday

Don't forget that school will be closed on Monday 2nd May 2022 due to the May Bank Holiday. You must make suitable arrangements for your child on this day. Thank you.



Suncream/Hats

As the weather (hopefully) starts to get better, we need to make sure that children are staying safe in the sun. Please apply sun cream to your child in the morning before they come to school. Your child may also bring sun cream (with their name on) to school to apply it themselves at lunchtime. Please also ensure that your child has a sun hat (with their name on too).

School PE Uniform

Following a decision by the Full Governing Body, the following PE uniform must be worn by all children on the days that your child has PE (and for the whole of our 'Healthy Minds and Healthy Bodies Week').

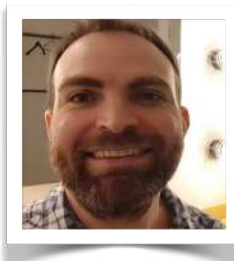
- A plain white t-shirt
- Black joggers, black shorts or black leggings.
- A school jumper/ school sweat shirt
- Trainers

Thank you to all of those parents who have already adopted this uniform. The children look so much smarter!

Class Photographs

Smile please! The school photographer will be in school to take class photographs on Tuesday 17th May 2022. These are a perfect memento of your child's time in their current year group and one that they will treasure forever.

A message from the Governors



Hi everyone! I'm Ben Ambridge, and I'm one of the parent governors here at Templemoor. I'm in the final year of my governorship - my term will end just as our eldest leaves for Moorlands, and our youngest joins the Nursery. In my day job, I'm a Professor at the University of Manchester specialising in children's language development, and I joined the governing body with the aim of applying some of this expertise.

What I've learned has really impressed me! Templemoor's phonics-based approach to reading and writing (the 'Set 1, 2 and 3 sounds' that we all came to know and love during home-schooling!) is one that is very strongly backed up by experimental evidence (if you're interested have a look at this accessible [journal article](#)). In fact, so impressive is Templemoor's phonics teaching that, in my first governors' meeting, Mr Hodgson showed us a letter from the Department for Education, congratulating the school on achieving one of the best phonics scores in the country!

In terms of supporting children's speech and language development, the school has recently started a new programme: the Nuffield Early Language Intervention (NELI). Again, this scheme is very well supported by experimental evidence, including a recent randomised control trial with almost 200 primary [schools](#). All in all, thanks to the excellent work done by Mr Hodgson, and the Phonics and English lead, Mrs Brown, our children's language and literacy development is in excellent hands!

Finally, on a personal note, it's been fascinating as a governor to learn more about this and all of the other work the school is doing, often behind the scenes; so if this appeals to you, why not consider applying to become a parent governor when I move on?

Ben Ambridge - Parent Governor



Jubilee Celebrations

At the end of this half term we will be celebrating the Queen's historical 70 year reign as part of the Platinum Jubilee. The children will be learning all about the Queen, culminating with a special outdoor 'street party' on Friday 27th May. There will be plenty of bunting, flags and cake! We have teamed up with the Friends of Templemoor to arrange an own clothes day on 27th May - where children will be asked to dress in white, red and blue. Children will receive a special keepsake on this day as part of the celebrations. Further details will be sent out by Mrs Berry, our History Lead and The Friends of Templemoor. We are all looking forward to a very exciting end to this half term!

Children's Parties

The school hall is available to hire at weekends for children's parties. If you are interested please contact the school office.

Spring Term Attendance

It is very important that children attend school at all times. Our whole school attendance for the Spring term was 95.1%. This is compared to 92% nationally. Well done on ensuring that your children maintain strong attendance.

Reception Assembly

Reception parents and carers are invited join us in the school hall on Wednesday 18th May at 9:10am for our Reception assembly.



Friends of Templemoor Movie Afternoon

On Sunday 8th May the Friends of Templemoor have organised another family film afternoon showing the fantastic movie 'Ron's Gone Wrong'. There will also be a book, toys and games stall as well as a second hand uniform stall and refreshments - you can book your spots and snack packs now via [PTA Events](#). Don't forget - the children need to have an adult with them.

Golden Book Assembly and the Golden Table



We are delighted to announce that from Friday 29th April, children in Reception will be attending our special weekly Golden Book Assembly.

Class teacher's choose two children in their class who have demonstrated exceptional effort, achievement, kindness etc. to be entered into the Golden Book.



A special sparkling certificate is presented to the children whose names are put in the book. The children then have hot chocolate and marshmallows with Mr Hodgson. The Golden Book is kept in the school foyer. Take a look in the book the next time that you are in school to see just how hard all of our children have worked and how sensible and kind the children at Templemoor are.

Reception children will also be taking part in the 'Golden Table Awards'. One child from each class is chosen every Friday by our midday assistants to eat lunch at the 'Golden Table' with Mr Hodgson, in recognition of their good manners and outstanding behaviour in the dining hall and playground during the week. They have the privilege of a golden tablecloth, special trays and glasses, as well as decorations. The children chosen so far have thoroughly enjoyed their lunch and have felt very special. Well done children!

A few gentle reminders for everyone's safety

Dogs are not permitted in the school grounds, or tied to the school railings. Dogs must not be left unattended - and must not be tied up on Nursery Close or Temple Road.

Please do not smoke in the school grounds.

Please do not allow your children to use the large climbing frame in the main playground, or the tree house in Reception.

Please ensure that your children dismount from bicycles and scooters, and push their bike/scooter along the footpath and through the gate to the bicycle racks. Children **must not** scoot or ride around the playground at the beginning or end of the day. Thank you for your continued support.

Half Term Reminder

School closes for the half term holiday on **Friday 27th May 2022** at 3:15pm (it is a very short half term!). School will reopen on Monday 13th June 2022.

Spring Bank Holiday Closure

Please be reminded that the Holiday Club will be closed to children on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June 2022 as this is a Spring Bank Holiday and Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday. Holiday Club bookings for the Whit Holidays are now being taken.

Water Bottles

We all know the importance of keeping ourselves well hydrated throughout the day - it keeps us healthy and allows our brains to function well. We would like all children to bring in a water bottle from home each day filled with water. As the footballer Ronaldo says, we should be drinking water as it is far healthier for our bodies than sugary drinks. We are also very concerned about the impact of sugary drinks on children's teeth when they are drinking them throughout the day. To keep children's teeth healthy, our school policy is for children to drink **water only** from their bottles during lesson times. Please help us to preserve our children's healthy smiles by sending your child to school with water in their bottle.



And finally...

On the following page you will find a growing list of diary dates - including our Year 2 Leavers Assembly. As ever, if there is anything that you are not sure about, please don't hesitate to ask one of us and we will be more than happy to help.

Mr Hodgson and the Templemoor Team

Dates for the Summer Term 2022

Monday 2nd May 2022	Bank Holiday Monday - school closed
Week beginning Tuesday 3rd May 2022	Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies Week
Friday 6th May 2022	At drop off: Donation station for books, toys, games, unwanted gifts and second hand uniform. School pick up time: Second hand uniform stall.
Sunday 8th May 2022	Friends of Templemoor Movie Afternoon 2pm to 4pm
Week beginning 16th May 2022	Year 2 SAT's
Tuesday 17th May 2022	Class Photographs
Wednesday 18th May 2022	Reception Assembly at 9:10am
Wednesday 25th May	Nursery trip to St. Annes-on-Sea, Lytham Fylde
Friday 27th May 2022	Wear red, white and blue day! School closes at 3:15pm for the Whit half term holiday.
Monday 13th June 2022 Week beginning Monday 13th June 2022	Back to school for the final half term of this academic year Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (further details to follow)
Monday 13th June to Friday 15th July 2022	The Penny Drive - Start collecting those pennies now!
Friday 17th June 2022	Fathers Day Gift Stall (orders by 27th May 2022) Cool Down Friday's start!
Tuesday 21st June 2022	New Nursery Welcome Evening at 6:30pm
Saturday 25th June 2022	The Summer Fair from 12pm to 2pm
Friday 1st July 2022	Bag2School second hand clothes collection
Wednesday 6th July 2022	New Reception Welcome Evening at 6:30pm
Monday 11th July 2022	Year 2 Ukulele concert at 10:45am*
Thursday 14th July 2022	Year 2 Leavers Disco 5pm to 7pm
Wednesday 20th July 2022	Year 2 Leavers Assembly at 9:15am
Thursday 21st July 2022	School closes at 3:15pm for the Summer Holiday.
Monday 5th September 2022	Back to school for the Autumn Term!

*Please note the change of date of the Year 2 Ukulele Concert to Monday 11th July 2022 at 10:45am.

Summer Term 2022

Opens	Monday 25th April 2022
Bank Holiday Monday (School is closed)	Monday 2nd May 2022
Closes	Friday 27th May 2022
Opens	Monday 13th June 2022
Closes	Thursday 21st July 2022

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TERM DATES 2022 to 2023

Autumn Term 2022

Opens	Monday 5th September 2022
Closes	Friday 21st October 2022
Opens	Monday 31st October 2022
Closes	Friday 16th December 2022

Spring Term 2023

Opens	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Closes	Friday 10th February 2023
Opens	Tuesday 21st February 2023
Closes	Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023

Opens	Monday 17th April 2023
Bank Holiday Monday (School is closed)	Monday 1st May 2023
Closes	Friday 26th May 2023
Opens	Monday 12th June 2023
Closes	Wednesday 26th July 2023

Staff Training Days (School will be closed)

Thursday 1st September 2022
Friday 2nd September 2022
Monday 20th February 2023
Thursday 27th July 2023
Friday 28th July 2023