



Our Vision: Children, staff and parents working actively in partnership to enable all children to realise their full potential.

Newsletter - April & May 2023



MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

Wrens: 97.84% Year 1: **96.08%**
Year 3: **96.28%** Year 4: **95.54%**
Year 5: **97.54%** Year 6: **95.92%**

The winner for April & May is:
Year 2: 98.16%

Please remember school attendance is mandatory. Holidays should be planned for school holiday times to avoid missing school time.

If your child is absent, you must notify the school office every day **before 9.30 am at the latest** providing details of illness.

ATTENDANCE EVERY DAY COUNTS!

- Below 90%** Serious Concern. Persistent absence.
- 90 - 95.9%** Concern. Low Attendance.
- At least 96%** Expected attendance.

Expected attendance means having no more than seven days off this school year!

Dear Parents / Carers / Children

Welcome to our April / May combined newsletter. Since our last communication we have had our Easter break followed by our very successful Year 4 and Year 5 residential trips to Blackland Farm. Yet again this was a wonderful trip and we hope the children will remember it fondly. Turn the page for a small selection of photos.

The SATs and KS1 tests have all gone very smoothly in school this month and the children have conducted themselves very well indeed. The Year 6 tests were extremely challenging this year so well done to them for working so well.

Mrs Jewitt has been spending some time in school, you may have seen her around and about! She is looking forward to joining us in September.

I'd like to publicly thank Mr Garry for his kind generosity in offering to cut the grass on our field last week. This has meant that our children are now able to enjoy the field at break and lunchtime as the weather improves and hopefully we can still hold our Sports Day event as usual—date to be confirmed.

The Life Bus was in school last week and every class had an opportunity to visit these fun, engaging and memorable PSHE workshops.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish our families a restful half term break and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 5 June 2023.

Mr K. Bellinger (Headteacher)

DATES OF INTEREST

- Friday 26 May 2023—School closes for half term
- Monday 5 June 2023—School opens after half term
- Saturday 10 June 2023—June Fair
- Monday 19 June 2023—Year 1 Trip to Beckenham Place Park
- Tuesday 20 June 2023—Year 3 Trip to Wakehurst Place
- Tuesday 20 & Wednesday 21 June 2023—Taster Days for new Wrens (Reception Class)
- Thursday 22 June 2023—Class & Whole School Photos
- Friday 30 June 2023—INSET Day (no pupils in school)
- Monday 3 July 2023—TRUST Training Day (no pupils in school)
- Thursday 20 July 2023—Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9.00 am
- Friday 21 July 2023—Last day of term

2023 / 2024 are now available on our website: <https://www.tatsfieldtlt.co.uk/>

YEAR 4 AT BLACKLAND FARM

A mere week after Easter, Year 4 went away on their first residential trip to Blackland Farm. By day, the children were kept busy crawling through tunnels, navigating the low ropes course and carrying out team building activities. The rain did not deter them, they took shelter and played parachute games.

By night, we had a paper aeroplane competition followed by a talent show and steaming mugs of hot chocolate were very popular before bed!

Everyone had a great time and we are sure they are looking forward to going again for a longer trip next year!



Many thanks to Mrs Russell, Mrs Friend, and Mr Bellinger for their support, and a special thanks to Mrs Dalgliesh who drove down after school to cook a delicious dinner to keep us all going!

Mrs Russell—Year 4 (Kestrels)



YEAR 5 @ BLACKLAND FARM

On Tuesday 25th April it was Year 5 who headed to Blackland Farm for their 4 day residential visit.

Year 5 were kept busy with, among other things; zip wiring, kayaking, hiking, abseiling, crate challenges, Leap of Faith, orienteering and night hikes, as well as a wonderful talent show put on by the children.

A great big thank you goes to Mrs Dalglish for all the wonderful food and to Mrs Abbs, Mrs Marshall, Mrs Fisher and Mr Bellinger who stayed overnight with the children.



Thanks also to Mrs Hancock (Chair of Governors) Mr Bright and all the other adults who made the trip such a great success.

Well done everyone and especially the children who threw themselves into everything the trip had to offer. We are already booking for next year!



Mrs Abbs / Mrs Marshall—Year 5 (Owls)

WRENS VISIT TO GATTON PARK—THURSDAY 4 MAY 2023

On Thursday 4th May, Wrens visited Gatton Park. We had a very exciting trip on the coach which we all enjoyed! In the morning we walked down to the Pleasure Gardens and took part in a carousel of Mini-Maths activities which included number, shape, positional language and measuring. We then got to eat our lunch outside as the weather was lovely, which was fantastic as we had a beautiful view. In the afternoon, we read *The Hungry Caterpillar* and then we talked about why some caterpillars are camouflaged and others are bright or hairy.

Under the Copper Beech tree we played a camouflage caterpillar game using different colour wool. We were all very tired on the way home and some of us even fell asleep!

Thank you to all the adults that accompanied us to help make our day safe and special!

Mrs Rutter and Mrs Wilshaw—
Year R (Wrens)



THE CORONATION OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING

On Friday 5 May 2023 every child at TPS was presented with a commemorative bookmark to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III . Thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising this.

The children also took part in lots of activities during the afternoon and those who ordered a hot lunch enjoyed a fish and chip picnic lunch too.

Long live the King!



Mental Health Awareness Week 2023 - Parent Webinars

As a School Based Needs Team, we are offering a variety of webinars this mental health awareness week. Each webinar will take place online, via Microsoft Teams and last approximately one hour. To sign up, and receive the meeting link, please click or scan the QR code or click on any of the descriptions below to complete the sign up form. Please note, sign up closes on 12th May at 4pm, when invites will then be sent.



The Teenage Brain & Emotional Regulation:
Monday 15th May, 9.30am, 6.30-7.30pm.

- Changes in the teenage brain
- How this affects emotional wellbeing, behaviour and regulation

Managing big emotions and anger:
Monday 15th May, 9.30am, 6.30-7.30pm

- Why our children struggle to manage big emotions
- Supporting your child with big emotions

Anxiety:
Tuesday 16th May, 9.30am, 6.30-7.30pm

- Symptoms and signs of anxiety
- Supporting your child with anxiety

Low Mood:
Wednesday 17th May, 9.30am, 6.30-7.30pm

- Symptoms and signs of low mood
- Supporting your child with low mood

Body image and self-esteem (Secondary):
Thursday 18th May 9.30am 6.30-7.30pm

- Pressures young people face
- Supporting your child's self-esteem and body image

Friendships, self-esteem and confidence (Primary):
Thursday 18th May 9.30am, 6.30-7.30pm

- Importance of friendships
- Supporting your child with positives friendships and challenges

Children's health in the digital age:
Friday 19th 9.30am

- Social media and emotional wellbeing
- Sleep and healthy eating

Webinars for children: We are also offering a webinar Mon-Thursday for secondary school age children. Please see the offer here:
<https://forms.office.com/e/sTWkms43T4>



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Understanding your Emotions:
Monday 15th May, 5-6pm

- Changes in the teenage brain
- How this affects emotional wellbeing, behaviour and regulation
- Ways to manage big feelings and overwhelming emotions

Anxiety:
Tuesday 16th May, 5-6pm

- Symptoms and signs of anxiety
- When anxiety is normal, when to get help
- Skills to learn to manage anxiety

Low Mood:
Wednesday 17th May, 5-6PM

- Symptoms and signs of low mood
- Skills to help improve your mood

Body Image:
Thursday 18th May 5-6pm

- Why we might feel the need to look a certain way
- Images in the media
- How to improve self-esteem and view of self

Clarification on signs and symptoms was well presented

I found it helpful to learn about positive and negative thinking patterns

The workshop gave lots of ideas to try to deal with anxiety



NETBALL NEWS...

On a sunny Thursday afternoon, six Tatsfield Year 5 and 6 pupils met Mrs Collins at Oxted School to play in the Tandridge Netball Tournament.

We had been practicing in netball club and were ready to play to the best of our ability. We had a total of 7 games which meant we all had to rotate into every position (something which is tricky to

do). The whole team played incredibly well, showing great sportsmanship to each other and adapted very quickly to their different positions and roles within the game. We lost 2 games, drew 1 and won 4 games. This fantastic play resulted in us finishing 3rd overall!

A huge well done to the team, I really enjoyed netball club and the tournament this year.

Year 5 - Holly, Tommy and Emily and **Year 6** - Lewis, Lilah and Licia

Mrs Collins—Year 6 (Eagles)



BOOK AMNESTY

We are holding a book amnesty until the end of term.

May we politely ask our families to have a good look around at home, e.g. under beds, on book cases, down the back of the sofa, and return any TPS books found into the large wicker basket provided in Reception without judgement. 😊

Many thanks in advance!



ARBOR—MENU CHOICES

The rotating menu choices in Arbor are proving to be very popular, particularly with those pupils who had previously had packed lunches every day, who are now choosing to enjoy their favourite meal on odd days here and there (e.g. roast on Wednesday).

Please ensure you remember which days are which though - may we suggest a screen shot for your own records. We are working with the Arbor development team so that the menu choices that have been booked are still available to view on the portal / app in future for your convenience. We will keep you posted.

Thanks for your support and understanding in the meantime.



SKILLS FOR LIFE



Following the recent celebration of National Numeracy Day on 17th May, I wanted to draw your attention to the [Multiply Maths Courses](#) available to Surrey residents. Multiply is a government-funded programme offering free courses to people who do not have a Maths GCSE at Grade C or equivalent.

These courses are an excellent way for adults to improve their maths skills and gain a qualification, to help them in both their daily lives and in the workplace.

Sports multi-skills
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Ofsted Registered

AGES 4-14
ALL ABILITY LEVELS

30th May - 2nd June

Join Us

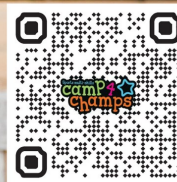
We run Sports multi-skills camps during the school holidays for children aged 4 - 14 years.

book online!
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EXTENDED DAY UNTIL 6PM
CHILDCARE VOUCHERS

We have lots of fun activities on offer from Dodgeball and Cookery to Arts & Crafts, Archery and lots more! Come along and try something new!

Book Today
(Places limited)



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also available at selected sites)

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PTA NEWS

We would like to give a big thank you to Julia Friend and the PTA for organising the very popular Masquerade Ball on Saturday 20 May at Woldingham Golf Club which is a stunning location. It was a pleasure to see so many people there supporting this wonderful event. It was a great atmosphere, great music and a lovely evening; thank you to everyone who supported.

The next PTA event is the Summer Fair on Saturday 10 June. This is one of our biggest fund raisers so please do put it in your diaries and we look forward to seeing you there.

Mr Bellinger (Headteacher)



DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR CHILDREN ARE...?

As you know, we work closely with all our neighbours and we like to foster good relationships with them all.

I recently met with Dr Rhee from Parkwood Golf Course, who told me that, unfortunately, the golf course has been experiencing some damage to the greens, bunkers and fencing and they have asked for our help.

I do not believe this is any of the children from our school due to their ages but I would however, just like to ask you to be aware of your children's whereabouts when they are out and about on weekends and holidays and, if they visit the golf course, please remind them about only using the public footpaths. Please remind them not to use the maintenance tracks or wander on to the greens or other areas.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mr Bellinger (Headteacher)



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- Win up to £25,000 every week
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YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

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