

TEMPLEMOOR INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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It's all go at Templemoor!

Welcome to the penultimate monthly newsletter of this academic year. It's hard to believe that July is only one day away! It's already proving to be another busy and exciting half term during which we will begin welcoming our new Reception children when they come to make their visits, as well as saying goodbye to our wonderful Year Two children.

We have lots of fantastic events still to come including our annual Summer Fair, a Reception singing concert, a singing club concert, parent welcome meetings, shuffle up sessions and a Year 2 disco and leavers assembly! So, lots to look forward to. We can't wait to welcome you into school soon. Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes, Mr Hodgson

Reception Singing Concert

All parents and carers of children in Reception are invited to attend our special singing concert on Monday 17th July at 2:30pm where the children will showcase their amazing musical talents!

A Visit from the Author Jarvis

On Friday 16th June, we were lucky to have a visit from the award winning author, Jarvis. Jarvis read his picture book 'The Boy With Flowers in his Hair' and read some stories from his early chapter book 'Bear and Bird'. He also gave us a preview of his brand new unreleased book, that is due to be published shortly. The children listened so carefully and were amazed by the stories and illustrations.

Jarvis then worked with the children in Year 1 and Year 2. He drew the bear from 'Bear and Bird' and asked the children to use their imaginations to draw their own character that would accompany bear in his stories. We had some very creative works of art! Illustrators of the future!





School Uniform

The Governing Body have been reviewing our school uniform and have made the decision that from September, children will be able to wear a grey skirt, a tartan skirt, long grey trousers or grey shorts. This is to ensure that our school uniform remains affordable. We now have two school uniform providers, to widen parental choice and to provide best value. Details of how to order branded items can be found on our school website. There are many ways to purchase school uniform:

- From the [school website](#).
- From any local supermarket for non-branded items.
- High quality pre-loved uniform, can be purchased by contacting the school office or via regular pre-loved uniform sales arranged by the Friends of Templemoor.
- Parent/Carers in receipt of the pupil premium grant may be eligible to apply to the school for funding towards school uniform items. Please contact the school office for further details.

A copy of our new School Uniform Policy can be found on our website or via the following [link](#).

Pencil Cases

Since Covid, we have asked children in Year 1 and Year 2 to bring a pencil case with them to school. From September this will no longer be the case. Children will be provided with all of the necessary equipment that they need - so please do not purchase a pencil case or stationary items over the summer. One less thing to have to think about!

Parent Survey

One of the ways we continue to improve as a school is by encouraging feedback from our parents on a regular basis. Today we will be sending out an electronic invite for you to participate in our annual parent survey. We will use the findings of our survey to inform our whole school self-evaluation and to plan our future priorities. Thank you in advance for your support. A link to the survey can be found [here](#).



The Summer Fair

Our annual Summer Fair will start at 1pm tomorrow, Saturday 1st July and run for 2 hours. There will be fair games and tombola's, refreshments, cakes and hotdogs, an ice cream van, a live raffle (with some phenomenal prizes) and of course the finale - Mr Hodgson's last ever Sponge Throw! Don't forget the event is cashless and tokens can be purchased in advance at school pick up on Friday 30th June or on the day!





The Penny Drive

The class penny jars need filling up! Please drop off any pennies or loose change in jars that are in the classrooms. We are running a competition to see which class can make the longest line with their pennies! The winning class will receive the much sought after Templemoor Penny Drive Trophy. The last day to drop off coins is Thursday 20th July. Good luck!

New Classes

Thursday 6th July and Tuesday 11th July is 'Shuffle Up day'. Year 1 will visit Year 2, Reception will visit Year 1 and some of our new children will visit Reception!

School Organisation for September 2023

From September, the year group organisation for the school will be as follows:

Nursery	Mrs Berry & Mrs Rowland
Bees	Miss Bamforth
Ladybirds	Mrs Cundick
Year 1	Mrs Drinkwater & Mrs Ree
Year 1	Mrs Leigh & Mrs Ree
Year 2	Mrs Wynne & Mrs Ree
Year 2	Miss MacIntyre
Year 2	Mrs Campbell



Online safety

The online world gives us access to a huge amount of information and services, but the scale of information available also means that there is content that is inappropriate for children. What is or isn't appropriate is up to individual parents and carers to decide, and could be based on things like age, ability, beliefs and family values. Please follow this [link](#) for guidance from the NSPCC on setting up parental controls to keep your child safe online.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Well done to all of our children in Year One, who have completed their phonics check recently. We are very proud of every single one of the children. They all showed great determination to do their very best. It was brilliant watching them using their Fred fingers and their sounding out skills during the assessments. Results of the screening check will be sent out with your child's end of year report.





Suncream, Hats and Water Bottles

It would be wonderful if the sunshine returned for the last few weeks of this term. Please ensure that suncream is applied before coming to school. Children can bring their own sun lotion into school as long as it has their name on it and they understand that they cannot share it with other children. Children are also encouraged to wear sun hats when outside for break, lunchtimes or PE lessons. Click [here](#) for further sun safety information from the NHS. Please can we also ask that all children bring a water bottle to school every day - staying hydrated is even more important in warmer temperatures. Please make sure they are filled with water only, no fizzy drinks or juice.

End of Year Reports

Our teachers are currently in the process of writing end of year reports which you will receive on Wednesday 19th July. I have started to look at some of the comments - it is such a pleasure to read about all of the progress that your children have made this year. Well done children! The end of Year 2 teacher assessments, SAT's test results and Year 1 Phonics Screening Check results will be sent out with the reports.

New Reception Parents Meeting

All parents and carers of Reception children who are starting with us in September are invited to attend a welcome meeting at school on Tuesday 4th July 2023 at 6pm.



Sports Day

On Tuesday 20th June our Year 1 and Year 2 children took part in Sports Day, followed on Thursday 22nd June by our Nursery and Reception children. The aim of the day was to support the children in developing their core skills of running, jumping, throwing, catching, balance and coordination and of course to experience competition and to have fun! The children had an amazing time and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We certainly have amazing little athletes at Templemoor! A huge thank you to Mr Bates and Mrs Brown for organising the event.





Expansion Update

The expansion to the Early Years block is now moving forward at pace. The roof is complete and the doors and windows have been installed. The new reception classrooms inside the building are certainly taking shape, with electricians, plasterers, plumbers and builders working at full speed ahead. At one point last week there were over 30 contractors working inside the building! I was lucky enough to be invited into the new building last week and I have to say, it is looking fantastic! The Nursery bike track is complete, and the children are thoroughly enjoying their new space. There is still quite a lot to do, including reconfiguring the current reception classes into brand new Year 1 classrooms, installing a brand new kitchen in the main school, reconfiguring the office space and updating the entrance lobby. But, we will get there, ready for September!



A message from the Governors



I can't believe we're hurtling towards the end of another very busy summer term. At this time of year, it's lovely to reflect on all the wonderful, enriching activities that have taken place at Templemoor - all with the added challenge of the extensive building work that's going on! I am continually impressed with the dedicated staff, amazing children and the incredibly supportive Templemoor community.

As a member of the Teaching and Learning committee, I see first-hand the time, thought and effort that goes into planning the curriculum and ensuring that it meets the needs of all children. In addition to updates on maths, reading, writing and phonics; we have a different curriculum focus at each of our meetings. It's always a pleasure to hear from subject leaders, speaking passionately about how they are developing their curriculum areas and embedding links to the Templemoor learning powers. At our most recent meeting, we heard from Miss MacIntyre and her exciting plans for computing.

I feel very lucky to be a governor at such a wonderful school, and find it incredibly rewarding to be able to make my contribution.

Siobhain Easter - Co-opted Governor

Year 2 Disco

Our Year 2 Leavers' Disco will take place on Thursday 20th July at 5pm until 7pm. Children can come to the disco dressed in their party clothes ready to dance the night away!



Year 2 Leavers Assembly

Parents and carers of Year 2 children are invited to join us at school at 9:15am on Tuesday 25th July 2023 for a very special Year 2 assembly. Get your tissues at the ready!

Scooters and Bikes

It is fantastic that so many children choose to ride a bike or scooter to school. However, please can we ensure that scooters/bikes are not ridden on school grounds. There have been several 'near miss' accidents recently. Thank you.

New Teacher



We are excited to announce that from September we will have a new teacher joining the Templemoor Team, Miss Paige Bamforth. Miss Bamforth shone at interview both in terms of her teaching

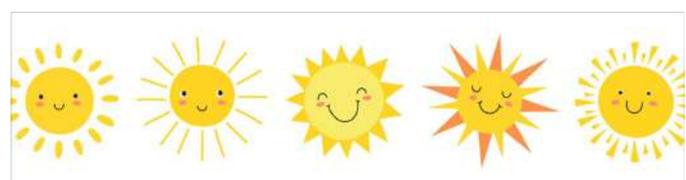
and in terms of fitting in with the wonderful team that we already have here at Templemoor. Miss Bamforth will be teaching the Bees class from September.

And finally...

I want to say a huge thank you to our whole school community for the kindness, positivity and support that you demonstrate every single day. 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.

See you at the Fair!

Mr Hodgson and the Templemoor Team



Final dates for the Summer Term

Saturday 1st July 2023	The Summer Fair from 1pm to 3pm
Monday 3rd July 2023	Year 1 Trip to Knowsley Safari Park Year 2 Transition Evening at 6pm (for parents/carers who currently have children in Year 1)
Tuesday 4th July 2023	New Reception Parents Welcome Evening at 6pm
Wednesday 5th July 2023	Partial school closure due to industrial action (Bees, Ladybirds and Class 2 are closed on this day)
Thursday 6th July 2023	Year 2 children all day visit to Moorlands Shuffle Up at Templemoor - children to visit their new classes
Friday 7th July 2023	Partial school closure due to industrial action (Nursery, Ladybirds, Class 3 and Class 2 are closed)
Tuesday 11th July 2023	Shuffle Up at Templemoor - children to visit their new classes Year 2 Parents Meeting at Moorlands 6:30pm to 7:30pm
Monday 17th July 2023	Reception Little Voices Concert at 2:30pm
Wednesday 19th July 2023	End of year reports sent out to parents/carers Year 3 teachers drop in at Templemoor Singing Club Concert at 3:35pm
Thursday 20th July 2023	Football Competition (Further details to follow) Last day for the Penny Drive Year 2 Leavers Disco at 5pm to 7pm
Tuesday 25th July 2023	Year 2 Leavers Assembly at 9:15am
Wednesday 26th July 2023	School closes at 3:15pm for the Summer Holiday

Summer Term 2023

Opens	Monday 12th June 2023
Closes	Wednesday 26th July 2023

Autumn Term 2023

Opens	Monday 4th September 2023
Closes	Friday 20th October 2023
Opens	Tuesday 31st October 2023
Closes	Thursday 21st December 2023

Spring Term 2024

Opens	Monday 8th January 2024
Closes	Friday 9th February 2024
Opens	Monday 19th February 2024
Closes	Friday 22nd March 2024

Summer Term 2024

Opens	Monday 8th April 2024
Bank Holiday Monday (School is closed)	Monday 6th May 2024
Closes	Friday 24th May 2024
Opens	Monday 10th June 2024
Closes	Wednesday 24th July 2024

Staff Training Days (School will be closed to children)

Thursday 31st August 2023
Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 30th October 2023
Friday 22nd December 2023
Thursday 25th July 2024