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NEWSLETTER

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Spring Term
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Dear Parents,

Well after a difficult start to the week, things are settling into another new and different routine for us all. We hope you feel your child is well supported whether they are at school because they are critical worker or vulnerable children or if they need to stay at home for the lockdown period. We have been busy organising our remote learning provision as well as keeping the teaching and learning going on in school. It was lovely to see the children accessing TEAMS with their class teacher as well as having opportunity to see their friends in school. I am sure you will appreciate it is quite a lot to get used to especially for our youngest children. I think they will no doubt get used to it all as time goes by- and of course so will the teachers.

Please remember if you have any concerns or difficulties with the situation then do not hesitate to contact us. We are all trying to support each other as much as we can and ensure our school family healthy, happy and safe.

Take good care

Jenny Griffiths

HEAD TEACHER'S HIGHLIGHTS

IMPORTANT AFTER SCHOOL CLUB INFORMATION

Before and After School Clubs during this period of national lockdown (currently to 12.02.2021)

Breakfast Club - We are pleased that Breakfast Club will continue as normal during national lockdown.

After School Clubs - We have spent the last few days reviewing our ability to provide after school clubs during this period of national lockdown. Our provision uses an external provider who is unable to provide a coach during this period, therefore in order to provide clubs we will need to make arrangements with staff in school. Having reviewed this we will be able to provide after school care until 4pm during this national lockdown period but would ask that you only use this where it is absolutely necessary, thank you.

4-5pm Club - We will unfortunately not be able to offer a 4pm to 5pm club. We appreciate that this may inconvenience some of our families and would like to reassure you that our normal provision will return as soon as this period of national lockdown ends. We will not be issuing a club booking form for this period and will instead invoice for any sessions attended at the end of each month.

December invoices - Invoices for clubs attended in December 2020 will be sent out via email as soon as we are able to.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Information for parents and carers about the closure of schools and other educational settings following the outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19).

[Click here to be directed to the gov.uk website.](#)

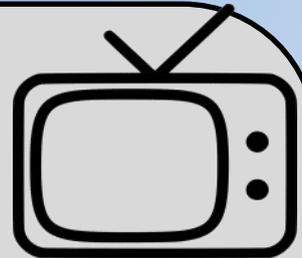


Home Learning

Many online platforms offer great access to parents with free resources to support your child with their education whilst they are at home. Please take a look at the links over the following couple of pages.

BBC BITESIZE PRIMARY LESSONS ON TV

Starting on Monday 11th January the BBC will show curriculum-based programmes on TV. For primary age children these will be on BBC1 TV channel and secondary age children on the BBC2 channel.



BBC also have a huge range of online lessons that can be accessed via the Internet online. Click the link below.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/this-terms-topics>



The BBC also offer online a wonderful selection of activities to keep your child active.

These can be found on the with BBC Supermovers. Click the link below.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers>

SCHOOL HOME LEARNING PROGRAMMES



<https://online.espresso.co.uk>

Username: student26973

Password: aston3

Mathletics

A 3P Learning Product

<https://login.mathletics.com/>

Refer to your child's diary for their password.



If you need anything to help support your child's home schooling during this period of national lockdown then please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Home Learning

English

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.spellingshed.com/en-gb

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/> (Online lessons)

<https://www.pobble365.com/> (Pictures to inspire creative writing)

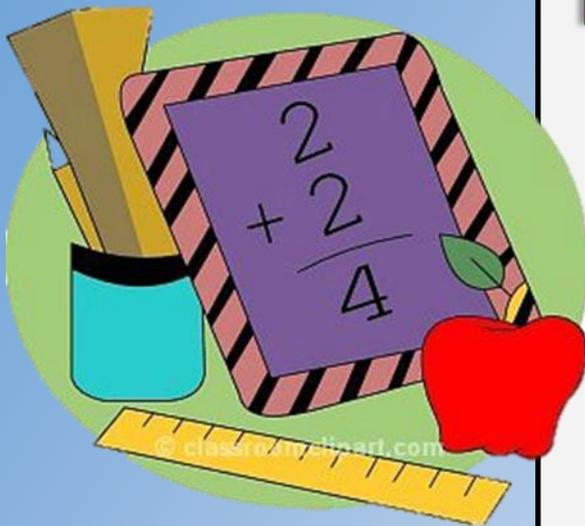
[Alphablocks](#)

<http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/english/english.htm>



Maths

- [Mathletics](#) (check your child's diary for their Login details)
- <https://classroom.thenational.academy/>
- [Numberblocks](#)
- www.topmarks.co.uk
- www.snappymaths.com
- www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize
- <https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/>
- <http://www.primaryresources.co.uk/maths/maths.htm>



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- www.bbc.co.uk/teach/
- [supermovers](#)
- [PE with Joe https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYCLoPd4VxBsXs1WmPcektsQyFbXTf9FO](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYCLoPd4VxBsXs1WmPcektsQyFbXTf9FO)
- <https://thepehub.co.uk/free-content/>





INFORMATION ON APPLYING FOR A PRIMARY SCHOOL

The online admissions application forms are now available at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions.

The following deadlines apply this year:

- Applying for primary school places to start in September 2021 (starting school for the first time) - **closing date 15 January 2021**
- Applying for infant to junior school places to start in September 2021 (current Year 2 pupils) - **closing date 15 January 2021**
- If a child has an Education, Health & Care Plan the **closing date is 31st October 2020** for all applications.



REMINDER TO WEAR EXTRA LAYERS OF WARM CLOTHING IN SCHOOL

As we are keeping the ventilation going due to following the school coronavirus safe guidance, the classrooms can drop cold sometimes, please ensure your child has a few layers on under their uniform to keep warm. A thermal vest is our teachers best friend at the moment!



IMPORTANCE OF DAILY READING AT HOME

It is very important that you try to listen to your child read each day whilst they are at home. Daily reading helps to develop their understanding of the world, develops language and listening skills and can stimulate their imagination which is particularly helpful in English and when they are writing their own stories.



Even after your child has learnt to read it is still very important they read out loud to you so that you can discuss the vocabulary and inferred meaning of text. This will help to develop their comprehension. If you do not have a selection of books at home let us know and we can put a pack together for you to collect to enable your child to read.

SCHOOL DINNERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday – Quorn nuggets, waffles and beans. Strawberry mousse

Tuesday – Baked Potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna. Shortbread

Wednesday – Sausages, mash, veg, yorkshire pudding and gravy. Jelly.

Thursday – Burger, chips and beans. Chocolate crispy cake.

Friday – Fish, chips and peas. Ice cream.



I wonder what your favourite dinner at home is?

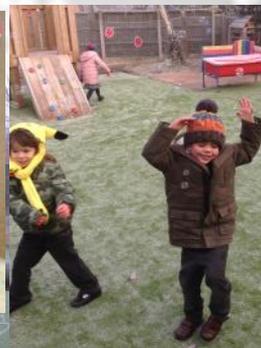


CLASS 1

Hello Class 1, I am so impressed that you and your parents and helpers are all so adaptable. We have learned a lot about technology this week! It has been lovely to see the faces at home and the ones at school. We are trying to have lots of interaction between the 2 groups to maintain the social contact.

Reception have been doing winter-based work. The activities have included sharing snowman buttons, summer and winter clothes and a winter walk. There are some fantastic photos of frosty cobwebs and snow is forecast so we look forward to some art inspired by the winter weather. Year 1 have been doing 2d and 3d shape work and daily mental maths and phonics. Your story this week was Sidney Spider. Thank you year 1s, the amount of work you are completing each day is tremendous. Keep up the good work.

Children in school, please wrap up warm with extra layers because it is cool in the classroom with the windows open.



STAR OF THE WEEK

Rewarded for having so many new words now and being so happy and settled this week.

CLASS 2 *Welcome back everyone!*

It has been an eventful start to the new term. The children in school have settled and those who are home learning have impressed me with their focus and listening skills in each of our sessions. As the days progress I hope to become a more confident Teams teacher, watch this space!

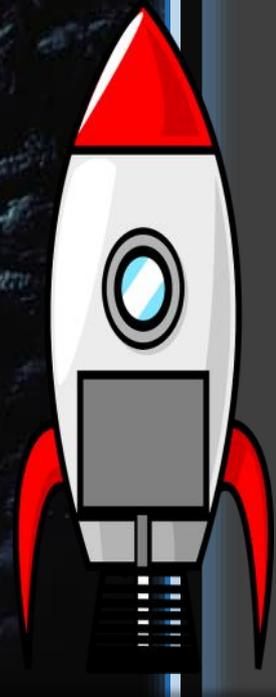
Our topic this term is space and we have a text called Vlad and the Space Race for our English lessons. The children have had some fantastic predictions for what might happen in the story and they have been wondering who Vlad is?

In maths we have been focusing on shape and money. Well done to everyone who has found 3D shapes around their home and the children in school have been busy building structures using 3d shapes. In money we have been thinking about coins and notes and how we can make different amounts.

Next week I would like to think about space, what do you know already? What would like to know? I look forward to seeing everyone next week.



3D Shapes



STAR OF THE WEEK

Rewarded for working hard in all her lessons.

Celebrating Success

MATHLETICS

Congratulations to all the children that have achieved either a bronze or silver award today. Some children had worked over the Christmas period to gain their certificates with some children earning more than one over this period. We would love to see children working hard on Mathletics to continue to work towards their certificates.



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SILVER