



Turves Green Primary School Newsletter



10TH JANUARY 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Happy New Year to you all on behalf of everybody at Turves Green Primary School. I hope that you all had a very enjoyable Christmas break with your families.

Act of Kindness

During our welcome back assembly this week, we looked at New Year resolutions and the history of these. We also decided to create our own school new year resolution which is to perform a random act of kindness each day. This can be something as simple as smiling at somebody, paying somebody a compliment, saying thank you, holding a door open or talking to somebody new. Please talk to your child about this and see if they can perform a random act of kindness at home also.



“Every Day Counts”

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem that much but...

If your child misses	that equals...	which is...	and over 13 years of school that's...
1 day a fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 Years
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Attendance

Every day really does count in school and as a school we want every child to be in school every day (unless they are too unwell to be). Please try to send your child in each day. If ever you require support or advice about improving your child's attendance please contact Mrs Belcher via our school office.

Studybugs

Thank you to all our Studybugs users. We now have 83 parents signed up for this and they can use this free app to report their child's absence from school without contacting our school office. Please sign up for this app if you have not already.

Applying for Reception Places for September 2025

The final closing date for applying for a Reception place for your child in September 2025 is **11.59 pm on Wednesday 15 January 2025**. Online applications for applicants living in Birmingham whose child does not have an education health and care plan (EHCP), need to be submitted via the Birmingham City Council website: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

Please be aware that late applications are less likely to be offered one of their preferred schools, even if they already have a child in attendance. All the information to support you with making their application is available on the following website: www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

More advice and support is also available from Children's Services on 0121 303 1888 or by emailing: admissions@birmingham.gov.uk.

Places will be announced on Primary National Offer Day, **Wednesday 16 April 2025**.

Year 3 and 5 First Aid Workshops

Being potentially able to save somebody's life is an invaluable skill. On Friday, we had our first children's first aid sessions for Years 3 and 5, led by an organisation called Mini First Aid. Here our children learnt about what to do if somebody needed CPR, was choking or if they needed a wound bandaging. The children very much enjoyed these sessions and demonstrated excellent learning behaviours throughout. This programme is the start of an ambition at Turves Green to get every child in KS2 first aid trained by receiving training in Year 3 and again in Year 5 so they know how to administer basic first aid session.



Supporting your Child's Mental Health

We all know that children's mental health is important. Please visit this NHS website (by clicking the link below) for some great tips and advice about how you can support your children with this.

<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/supporting-others/childrens-mental-health/>

Thank you for your continued support. I hope that you have an enjoyable weekend.

Mr Williams
Headteacher



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Composer of the week
Clara Schumann (1819-1896)



Before she was even born, Clara Schumann's father had determined that she would be a star at the keyboard. Her father, Friedrich Wieck, was a piano teacher, and he saw to it that she studied music, performed and composed – all at an early age. Clara toured all over Europe, wowing audiences with her playing, and her compositions.

When Clara fell in love with Robert Schumann, who was studying with her father, Friedrich Wieck tried hard to stop them from getting married. But Clara and Robert Schumann became one of the greatest musical partnerships of all time. She gave the first performance of many of his pieces, including his piano concerto and was a tremendous influence on his music. She also premiered works by Chopin and Brahms. Even though she gave birth to eight children, and had great family responsibilities, Robert encouraged her to compose. When Robert got sick, and after his early death, Clara supported her family by giving concerts and teaching. She continued to perform into her 70's.



Have a conversation about the story behind this picture which was shown in our No Outsiders assembly this week and how it links to No Outsiders and British Values:

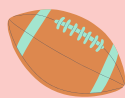


Before and After School Clubs

WB 2nd December 2024

Please note all school clubs are on an allocation basis and your child must have received a letter confirming their place to attend.

MONDAY	3:15pm - 4:15pm Young Voices Choir Practice 3:15 - 4:15pm Year 1 and Year 2 Multi Sports Club
TUESDAY	3:15pm - 4:15pm Football Club
WEDNESDAY	3:15pm - 4:15pm Year 5 & 6 Multi Sports Club
THURSDAY	No afterschool activity club
FRIDAY	No afterschool activity club



Upcoming events:

- Thursday 23rd January - 3B Class Assembly 2:40pm

- Thursday 30th January - 3P Class Assembly 2:40pm

- Friday 7th February - NSPCC Number Day. Dress as a number to raise money for Charity

- Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February School closed for half term

- Monday 24th February - Teacher Training Day School closed to children.

Inclusion Corner

'They just don't listen!'

Do we think this is the most common statement made by parents?! I have certainly said it at home and school! However some of us find it hard to attend to talk and listen than others. This may be because of speech, language, social, emotional, cognition, learning or sensory needs. Listening and attention are skills that require teaching and practising. Why not try these ideas which are simple and fun?

Happy New Year.

Laura Allden
Inclusion Lead
Assistant Headteacher

Next weeks PE:

MONDAY	2C, 2W 3B & 3P
TUESDAY	5E, 5W & 6M Swimming Reception
WEDNESDAY	1C, 1SB 4C & 4W
THURSDAY	No PE
FRIDAY	6SC

Reception to leave PE kits in school to change into on PE days
Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days

Aston Villa Foundation

Free Football Training Session

The Aston Villa Foundation have offered the opportunity for children aged 2 - 16 to attend a FREE training session.

If you would like to register your child, please click this [link](#) or scan the QR code



1x FREE Football Session | Villa Tots, Skills, Girls, GK + Coaching Centre (2 - 16 yrs)





Turves Green Superstars!



Hot Chocolate Friday

Well done to all the children who have been nominated. There will be a double celebration assembly next week

House Points

Armstrong



293

Earhart



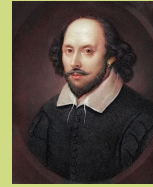
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Seacole



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Shakespeare



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Care and Compassion Award



Double celebration assembly next week

Resilience and Perseverance Award



Double celebration assembly next week

NEW LUNCH MENU!



Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All Day Brunch (Sausage, Omelette, Hash Brown) or Fish Fingers with Lemon & Tartare Sauce	Beef Lasagne Vegetable Lasagne or Vegetable Burger Bun	Roast Chicken, Sage & Onion Seasoning & a Rich Gravy Sauce Vegetarian Sausage Toad in the Hole	Lamb Keema Curry or Beef Burger Bun Vegetable Samosa & Curry Sauce	Homemade Moroccan Spiced Beef & Sweet Pepper Pizza Homemade Margherita Pizza
Sauté Potatoes, Baked Beans, Sweetcorn,	Potato Wedges, Peas, Broccoli, Garlic Bread	Roasted New Potatoes, Cauliflower, Carrots & Green Beans	Steamed Rice, Naan Bread, Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	Chipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas, Sauces
Raspberry & Vanilla Ice Cream Cake	Chocolate & Beetroot Traybake with Custard Sauce	American Pancakes with Strawberry Drizzle	Flapjack	Homemade Summer Fruits Muffin

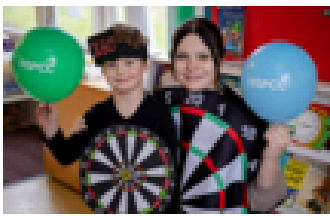
Salad Cart, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Available Daily



Be an attendance HERO

Here Everyday Ready Ontime





NSPCC



Number



Day



Get ready for Number Day 2025.

Friday 7th February 2025.

Dress as a number and raise money
for

NSPCC (The UK's Children's
charity).



£1

