



Turves Green Primary School Newsletter

Excelsior
Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parents and Carers,



Term Time Holidays –



Whilst I understand that taking a term time holiday can be tempting, the impact this missed learning has on pupils' continued progress is huge. When pupils miss time off school it creates gaps in their knowledge, often midway through a topic or concept.

The Department for Education operates a strict National Framework for school attendance penalties. To ensure all families are fully informed, please review the national guidelines regarding unauthorised term-time leave (such as holidays):

- **Exceptional Circumstances Only:** Headteachers cannot authorise any term-time leave unless there are exceptional circumstances. Financial savings on holidays do not qualify.
- **The 5-Day Threshold:** Penalty notices are automatically triggered if a child misses 5 days (10 sessions) of school due to unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-week period. These 5 days do not need to be consecutive.
- **Fines Apply to Each Parent:** Fines are issued per parent, per child. For example, if two parents take two children on an unauthorised holiday, four separate fines will be issued.
- **First Offence:** The fine is £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days. It rises to £160 if paid between 22 and 28 days.
- **Second Offence:** If a second unauthorised holiday is taken within a rolling 3-year period, there is no early payment discount. The fine is a flat £160 per parent, per child.
- **Third Offence:** If a third offence occurs within 3 years, a fine will not be issued. Instead, the case is referred directly to the Magistrates' Court, which can lead to a criminal record and fines of up to £1,000.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our pupils attend school every day, on time, and ready to learn. If you have any questions or face unique challenges with attendance, please contact the school office so we can support you.

Open Classrooms –

This week Y3 parents came to our summer term Open Classroom. The parents enjoyed a science lesson, thank you for coming along. We love having you in school – please see the summer term dates email to make sure you can come along to your child's open classroom. Open classrooms will continue next academic year and I will be sending out a feedback form soon to gather information from parents / carers about how these will run best going forward.

Food Bank –

Don't forget, we are now partnered with B30 and South Birmingham Food Bank (Trussell Trust).

As the cost-of-living crisis continues, more and more families are finding themselves living in poverty.

If you would like a referral to the foodbank, please reach out in confidence to Mrs Young who can make this for you.



Lates -

We have noticed that pupil lateness is on the rise again, please ensure children are in school on time as it not only affects their learning but also unsettles other children in class.

Have a great weekend!



Mrs Young



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Composer of the week

Aram Khachaturian (1903-1978):

Aram Khachaturian was an important composer who was born in 1903 in Armenia (which was part of the Russian Empire at the time). When he was young, he loved music, but he did not have lots of formal music lessons like some composers.

As a teenager, he moved to Moscow (in Russia) to study. At first, he didn't study music at all – he studied biology at university! However, he soon realised that music was his true passion. He then joined the Gnessin State Musical Institute, where he learned to play the cello and began studying composition (writing music). Later, he continued his studies at the Moscow Conservatory, one of the most famous music schools in the world.

He went on to become famous for writing exciting and colourful music, especially for ballets (dances), films, and orchestras. His most famous piece is the lively and fast "Sabre Dance", which many people still recognise today. His music was often inspired by the traditional folk music of Armenia, full of strong rhythms and bold sounds. You may also have heard "The Adagio of Spartacus and Phrygia" which is an often-used piece in films and adverts. Khachaturian became one of the most important composers of the 20th century.

He died in 1978, but his music is still played and enjoyed all around the world.



Have a conversation about the story behind these pictures which were shown in our No Outsiders assembly this week and how they link to No Outsiders and British Values:





Turves Green Superstars!



Hot Chocolate Friday

Well done to all the children who have been nominated.

This week's winners are:

- Reception - Harriet (RSW) & Liora (RF)
- Year 1 - Maria (1C) & Millie (1BC)
- Year 2 - Arlo (2C) & Hallie (2W)
- Year 3 - Nusaybah (3B) & Lulu (3P)
- Year 4 - Millie (4C) & Ava-Mai (4W)
- Year 5 - Beau (5S) & Mubin (5W)
- Year 6 - Gracie (6M) & Sydney (6T)

House Points

Armstrong	Earhart	Seacole	Shakespeare
			
770	 885	 998	 852

Care and Compassion Award



- Reception - Sayed (RSW) & Afrah (RF)
- Year 1 - Penelope (1C) & Eva (1BC)
- Year 2 - Riley (2C) & Hallie (2W)
- Year 3 - Savannah (3B) & Holly (3P)
- Year 4 - Elsie (4C) & Khalid (4W)
- Year 5 - Quincy (5S) & Vidhyuth (5W)
- Year 6 - Enoch (6M) & Ethan (6T)

Resilience and Perseverance Award



Resilience and Perseverance certificates will be awarded next week.



NEW LUNCH MENU!

Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All Day Brunch, Pork Sausage or Veggie Sausage (V) with Omelette & Hash Brown Fish Fingers with Tartar Sauce	Battered Fish Pork Sausage / Veggie Sausage (V)	Chicken & Vegetable Pie with Yorkshire Pudding Veggie Sausage Toad in the Hole (V)	Beef / Veggie (V) Bolognese with Spaghetti & Nachos Fish Stars with Tartar Sauce	Meat Feast Pizza Margherita Pizza (V)
Sauté Potatoes, Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Chipped Potatoes, Curry Sauce, Mushy Peas & Baked Beans	Roasted New Potatoes, Carrots, Green Beans & Baked Beans	Sauté Potatoes, Broccoli, Sweetcorn & Baked Beans	Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas, Sauces
Ice Cream Pot Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Iced Flapjack Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Carrot Cake Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Fruit Jelly Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt	Ice Cream Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

Fresh Bread Jacket Potatoes Sandwich, Wrap Salad Cart Available Daily



Be an attendance HERO Here Everyday Ready Ontime



TURVES GREEN SUPERSTARS - LUNCH TIME CLUB!

Today we had SH Active in school, Miss Knight and Miss Clark selected a group of students to take part in tri-golf during lunch. These children have been chosen for showing good behaviour and excellent work.



The following children were selected:

RF - Luca & Grace

RSW - Amelia & Mand

1BC - Finley & Melaher

1C - Maria & Jacob

2C - Hayden & Amelia

2W - Charlotte & Vincent

3B - Holly & Buruk

3P - Jorgie & Lynden

4C - Mercaddiz & George

4W - Kevin & Melania

5S - Ian & Holly

5W - Carter & Atara

6T - Blake & Poppy

6M - Fin & Ebony

Well Done Everyone!

Protect Our Earth

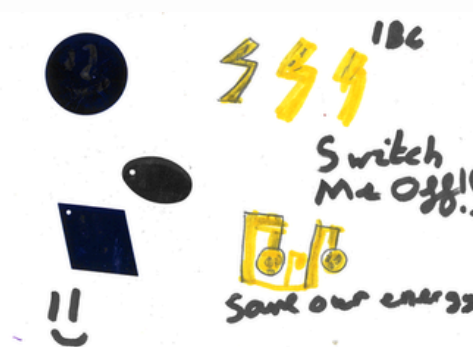
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GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP - CHILDREN IN YEAR 4 HAVE FELT SO PASSIONATE ABOUT PLASTIC POLLUTION AND ITS DEVASTATING EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT THAT THEY HAVE WRITTEN TO OUR LOCAL MP.

ENERGY - SCHOOL PARLIAMENT HAS MADE SMALL POSTERS THAT ARE FOUND UNDERNEATH THE LIGHT SWITCHES IN ALL CLASSROOMS AS A REMINDER TO SAVE ELECTRICITY WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

LITTER - THERE ARE NOW LITTER PICKERS IN SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN TO USE TO HELP TO KEEP OUR SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT SAFE AND CLEAN.



SCHOOL PARLIAMENT HAVE BEEN MAKING POSTERS TO REMIND US TO SWITCH OFF LIGHTS WHEN WE DO NOT NEED THEM ON. CAN YOU DO THE SAME AT HOME?

Looking After Your WELLBEING ONLINE

We all know that taking care of our minds and bodies is essential to keep us feeling happy and healthy. The thing is, we spend so much of our time online these days that it's also important that we remember to look after ourselves in the digital world, too. Our poster has got some simple but useful tips for supporting your wellbeing while you're gaming, on social media or just using the internet.



TAKE CARE
WHAT YOU
SHARE



CHECK YOUR
PRIVACY
SETTINGS



AVOID
COMPARING
YOURSELF TO
OTHERS



TRACK YOUR
SCREEN TIME



TAKE
BREAKS



REPORT
INAPPROPRIATE
CONTENT



PAUSE
BEFORE
YOU POST



BLOCK
BULLIES



SPEAK UP AGAINST
HARMFUL BEHAVIOUR



STAY
ACTIVE
OFFLINE



BE KIND &
BE CAREFUL



National
Online
Safety®

#WakeUpWednesday



GO TECH FREE
BEFORE BED



LOOK FOR POSITIVE COMMUNITIES

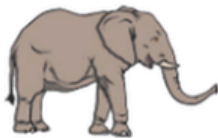
Let's Learn Spanish

Zoo Animals

Los animales del zoo



la jirafa
giraffe



el elefante
elephant



el hipopótamo
hippopotamus



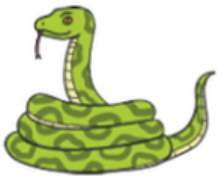
el mono
monkey



el león
lion



el tigre
tiger



la serpiente
snake



el rinoceronte
rhinoceros



el oso polar
polar bear



el cocodrilo
crocodile



el camello
camel



el guepardo
cheetah

