Turves Green Primary School Newsletter **14TH FEBRUARY 2025**

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that your week has gone well.

School Training Day

Please note that Monday 26th February is a school training day. We therefore look forward to welcoming all of you back to school on Tuesday 25th February.

The importance of reading

I am sure that you will all be able to recall a favourite story from your childhood, whether it be a story you were told, a picture book, a fairy tale, the first book you read unaided or one you could not put down! Once I had discovered 'The Faraway Tree' by Enid Blyton, I was instantly transported to the Enchanted Wood and the different lands at the top of the tree, devouring the series of four books in quick succession!

Developing a love of reading not only helps us to feel empathy by experiencing events through the lives of others, it also helps us relax or escape. Reading expands our vocabulary and comprehension, as well as developing concentration and sharpening critical thinking skills. Reading a wide variety of genres encourages children to try different story telling techniques and thus their writing improves.

Spending just 10 minutes at the end of a day listening to your child read, or reading to them, is the perfect end to their day.

1C

It was an absolute pleasure to be invited to 1C on Wednesday to hear the children reading out their wonderful writing describing Elmer. Their confidence and fluency was excellent as they read these out to the class. I was very impressed with the standard of their handwriting and the creativity of the similes they used. Here is an example of one of these. This was written by Halie. Well done 1C!

Miss Taylor

It is with sadness today, that we are saying goodbye to our office manager. Miss Taylor, as she has secured a promotion at another school. We would like to thank her for over seven years of service and her dedication to Turves Green Primary School. Miss Taylor has demonstrated efficiency, creativity, professionalism, a great eye for detail and a fantastic knowledge of our school in the short time I've had the pleasure of working with her. We will all miss her greatly and we wish her the greatest of success in her new role.

Football Cards

Please could we kindly request that children do not bring any football cards into school. Unfortunately, we have had a few upset children over these over the last couple of weeks.

Safequarding

The safety, welfare and care of our pupils is always paramount to us as a school at all times of the year. If you have any safeguarding concerns about any of our pupils, or any children generally, during the holiday period, please contact Birmingham City Council Children's Trust on 0121 303 1888 – Monday to Thursday: 8:45am to 5:15pm and Friday 8:45am to 4:15pm.

Outside of these hours please telephone 0121 675 4806.

Thank you for your continued support. Whatever you have planned with your families over half term, I hope that you have a wonderful time. If you need some inspiration with ideas of what to do, visit https://visitbirmingham.com/whats-on/half-term-in-birmingham/

Mr Williams Headteacher







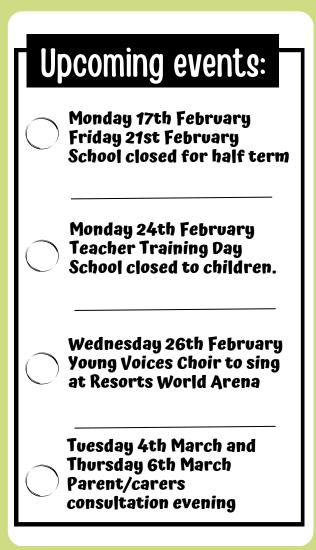




Before and After School Clubs WB 24th February 2025

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

MONDAY	No afterschool activity club
TUESDAY	No afterschool activity club
WEDNESDAY	No afterschool activity club
THURSDAY	No afterschool activity club
FRIDAY	No afterschool activity club



Inclusion Corner

Talking Space

Mind Birmingham's Talking Space service offers a safe place to talk to their Crisis Intervention Workers out of hours. They have walk-in slots available or you can book an appointment if preferred. This service is offered in Northfield, Erdington and Selly Oak, the addresses and opening times are on the flyers attached to the end of this weeks newsletter.

Gateway Early Help

Please use this link to see the Gateway Early Help February newsletter focusing on empowering families with financial support this month.

https://mailchi.mp/gatewayfs/february-focus-empoweringfamilies-with-financial-support?e=8286535557

Family Wellbeing Team

The Family Wellbeing Team at Northfield Community Partnership are always there to offer lots of support and advice. They are also holding parent/carer coffee morning's every Thursday 10am-12pm, please see the flyers attached to the end of this weeks newsletter for more information.

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



Composer of the week The Beatles (1962-present):



For the 2 weeks after half term, we will be looking at the catalogue of the 4 amazing composers (George Harrison, John Lennon, Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr), who formed one of the most iconic musical groups in British history.

Whether playing together, with other bands or as solo artists, these 4 musicians from Liverpool transformed the music and youth culture in the 1960's and their impact on both can still be seen today.









Sign of the Week

10th – 16th February 2025

This week's sign is 'To Cuddle'!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #WeTalkMakaton.



To Cuddle



To Cuddle



Please see below some free sessions including sports and wellbeing activities for children aged 8-15 (different age ranges for each day) being held at King Edwards School.

Make sure to scan the QR code to book a place if you are interested!



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Hot Chocolate Friday

Well done to all the children who have been nominated. This week's winners are:

> Reception - Aiden (RC) & Penelope (RF) Year 1 - Jamiel (1C) & Elijah (1SB) Year 2 - Jorgie (2C) & Layla-Rose (2W) Year 3 - Kevin (3B) & Sapphire (3P) Year 4 - Rohan (4C) & Elisa (4W) Year 5 - Alice (5E) & Fin (5W) Year 6 - Maddison (6M) & Bella (6CS)

Care and Compassion Award

Reception - Oscar (RC) & Oscar (RF)

Year 1 - Caylan (1C) & Riley (1SB)

Year 2 - Dakota (2C) & Holly (2W)

Year 3 - Jay (3B) & Lacey (3P) Year 4 - Holly (4C) & Vidhyuth (4W) Year 5 - Ikhlaas (5E) & Ollie (5W)

Year 6 - Jaiden (6M) & Seth (6CS)

House Points



Resilience and Perseverance Award

Reception - Aiden (RC) & Jaxon (RF) Year 1 - Olivia (1C) & Elijah (1SB) Year 2 - Miles (2C) & Ilyad (2W)

KS2 Resilience and Perseverance certificates Will be awarded the week after half term

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Week 2

Salad Cart, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Available pair

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday A	Yoghurt Vailable Daily
	All Day Brunch (Sausage, Omelette, Hash Brown) or All Day Veggie Brunch (Vegetarian Sausage) Fish Fingers	Beef Chilli Vegetable Chilli or Vegetable Samosa	Roast Chicken, Sage & Onion Seasoning & a Rich Gravy Sauce Vegetarian Sausage Toad in the Hole	Beef Burger Bun, Vegetarian Burger Bun or Battered Fish	Homemade Moroccan Spiced Beef & Sweet Pepper Pizza Homemade Margherita Pizzo	
	Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans, Sweetcorn	Boiled Rice, Sauté Potatoes, Peas, Broccoli	Roasted New Potatoes, Cauliflower, Carrots & Green Beans	Oven Baked Wedges, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	Chipped Potatoes, Baked Beans, Peas, Sauces	
	Ice Cream Pot	Homemade Summer Fruits Muffin	American Pancakes with Strawberry Drizzle	Chocolate & Beetroot Tray Bake with Custard Sauce	Fruit Jelly	

Be an attendance HERO Here Everyday Ready Ontime



Talking Space Are You Having a Difficult Time?

Our Talking Space service offers an out of hours, safe place, to come and chat with our Crisis Intervention Workers (with access to clinical support if needed).

- WE CAN HELP WITH
- Low Mood
- Struggling to Cope
- Anxiety
- Stress
- Suicidal Thoughts



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5.30pm till 11pm | Thursday - Sunday

Creative Support, 888 Bristol Road South, Northfield, Birmingham B31 2NS

Bus routes: 61, 63, X20, 18, 27, 76. 15 minute walk from Northfield Train Station

ALTERNATIVE TALKING SPACE VENUES **INCLUDE:**

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5pm till 11pm | Every Day

Appointment

Call Us:

Beechcroft, Rear of 501 Slade Road **Erdington, Birmingham** 0121 262 3555 B23 7|G Bus routes: 11c, 11a, 65, X64

SELLY OAK

5pm till 11pm | Monday - Wednesday

grounded. 11 Bournbrook Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham, B29 7BL Bus routes: 61 & 63

Appointment Call Us: 0121 262 3555





Family Wellbeing Team

PARENT COFFEE MORNING

An opportunity to meet others, join in with activities and discuss any issues affecting your family.

A variety of support available from the Family Wellbeing Team, such as:

Financial Support Employment Support

Domestic Abuse Advice

HSF Support SEND Support Migrant Advice



Every Thursday 10am–12pm

NCP Pantry at the NAF Shop

(old Game unit) 9 Church Road, Northfield, B31 2JX

Check our social media for upcoming events and drop-ins!

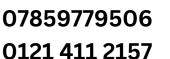
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Family Wellbeing Team - Northfield Community Partnership

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FAMILY WELLBEING

Supporting families across the Northfield constituency



FOOD BANK SUPPORT



WELLBEING SUPPORT



EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT



HOUSING & BENEFIT ADVICE



FINANCE SUPPORT, INFORMATION, ADVICE & GUIDANCE



LOCAL INFORMATION & SIGNPOSTING

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