



# Turves Green Primary School Newsletter

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Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a good week.

## Helen Sharman Q&A

On Monday our Year 5 pupils, joined other pupils from across the country, to have a question-and-answer session with Britain's first astronaut Helen Sharman. Here Helen Sharman talked about how she was selected to be an astronaut, her training in Russia and her experiences in space. She also answered a range of space-based questions, for example about food in space, going to the toilet, aliens, her routines in space and who inspired her. Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed this wonderful experience and hopefully we have inspired our pupils about space and even potentially a career in this area.



## 3P's visit to Longbridge

On Wednesday, as part of their geography topic about 'Birmingham', 3P had a trip to Longbridge. Here they looked at the land use and facilities in this area, they drew maps and thought about how the local area could be used. This included thinking about what other facilities and amenities would be good to have. Here 3P represented our school well and they enjoyed their visit. Well done!

## OPAL

It's been fun this week watching our children engaging with our OPAL activities. Bottle flipping was particularly popular and many of the children showed great skill with this by the end of the week.



## Attendance and Punctuality

As a school, we always try to encourage good attendance and punctuality as this helps all our pupils to achieve their full potential. This term we are giving out special attendance badges to all our pupils who have at least 98% attendance from January to the end of this term. We have three weeks of this term left for children to earn these badges.



This week we gave out our first set of attendance badges to pupils who had achieved 98% or higher attendance during the Autumn Term. Congratulations to our 132 winners.

## Comic Relief

Friday was Comic Relief Day. It was great to see all the red noses and the children wearing red. Thanks to your generosity we managed to raise £191.51 for this charity, which I'm sure will be put to great use to help others. Thank you.

Thank you for your continued support.

**COMIC  
RELIEF**

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# Before and After School Clubs

**WB 24th March 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    | Year 1 & 2 Football Club     |
| TUESDAY   | Year 3 & 4 Multi Sports Club |
| WEDNESDAY | No afterschool activity club |
| THURSDAY  | No afterschool activity club |
| FRIDAY    | No afterschool activity club |



## Upcoming events:

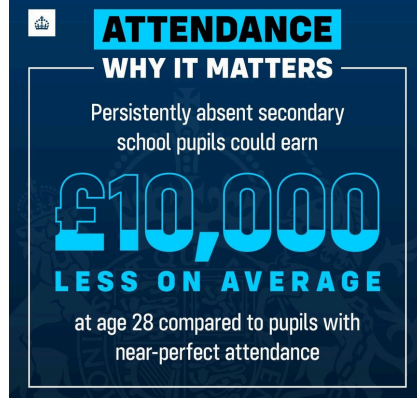
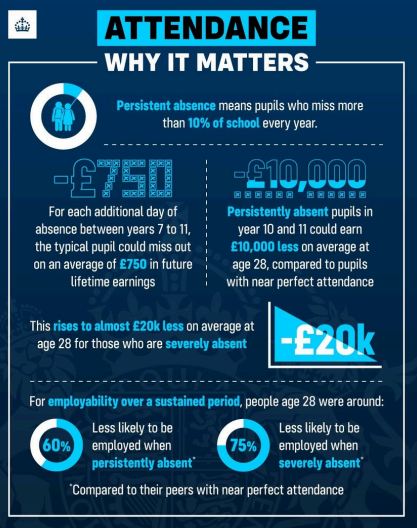
- ☐ **Wednesday 2nd April**  
**1SB Trip to Black Country Living Museum**
- ☐ **Thursday 3rd April**  
**1C Trip to Black Country Living Museum**
- ☐ **Friday 11th April**  
**Break up for Easter Holidays**
- ☐ **Monday 28th April**  
**Return from the Easter Holidays**

## Inclusion Corner

Please find below 'Safer Sleeping Update 2025' webinar link on behalf of NCMD.

[Safer Sleeping Update 2025](#)

### Attendance Why It Matters



## Next weeks PE:

|           |                                    |
|-----------|------------------------------------|
| MONDAY    | 2C, 2W<br>3B & 3P                  |
| TUESDAY   | 5E, 5W &<br>6SC Swimming Reception |
| WEDNESDAY | 1C, 1SB<br>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  
Alexander Borodin (1833-1887):

Unlike most composers, Alexander Borodin was trained as a scientist and medical doctor; his primary career was that of a very successful professor of chemistry. He was an amateur musician who played the piano, flute and cello and who enjoyed composing in his spare time.

Borodin's life was incredibly busy and his apartment was continually filled with visitors and family. It is surprising that he created as much music as he did. His most famous composition is the opera, Prince Igor, on which he worked for nearly twenty years. It was never finished; his friends, Rimsky-Korsakov and Alexander Glazunov, completed it after his death.

Borodin's music contains wonderful melodies that remind the listener of old Russia. The Polovtsian Dances from Prince Igor supplied the melody for a famous 20th century popular song, Stranger in Paradise.



**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 - Sam (RC) & Arthur (RF)  
 Year 1 - Hallie (1C) & Shay (1SB)  
 Year 2 - Carter (2C) & Belle (2W)  
 Year 3 - Sophie (3B) & Olivia (3P)  
 Year 4 - Daisy (4C) & Champion (4W)  
 Year 5 - Khaliya (5E) & Tristan (5W)  
 Year 6 - Maddison (6M) & Yashvi (6CS)

## House Points

Armstrong



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Earhart



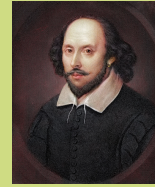
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Seacole



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Shakespeare



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## Care and Compassion Award

Reception - Sam (RC) & Ajah (RF)  
 Year 1 - Bramish (1C) & Amelia (1SB)  
 Year 2 - Savannah (2C) & Lanya (2W)

KS2 Care and Compassion Award will be given next week

## Resilience and Perseverance Award

Reception - Leo (RC) & Jack (RF)  
 Year 1 - Shamaya (1C) & Tommy (1SB)  
 Year 2 - Jace (2C) & Kingsley (2W)  
 Year 3 - Hanna (3B) & Whole Class (3P)  
 Year 4 - Finley (4C) & Atara (4W)  
 Year 5 - Cheska (5E) & Elijah (5W)  
 Year 6 - Aleem (6M) & Nyarai (6CS)

**NEW LUNCH MENU!**

Week 1

Salad Cart, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Available Daily

| Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| Pork Sausages<br>Vegetable<br>Spring Rolls                  | Chinese Chicken<br>Curry<br>Mac N Cheese                             | Roast Beef<br>Cheese, Chive &<br>Potato Pie                | Pasta Bolognese or<br>Sea Stars with<br>Lemon & Tartare<br>Sauce.<br>Mediterranean<br>Tomato & Basil<br>Ragu | BBQ Chicken &<br>Sweetcorn Pizza,<br>Homemade<br>Margherita Pizza |
| Creamy Mash,<br>Peas, Carrots,<br>Herby Diced<br>Potatoes   | Boiled Rice,<br>Spicy Wedges,<br>Peas &<br>Sweetcorn<br>Garlic Bread | Roast Potatoes,<br>Carrots, Green<br>Beans, Baked<br>Beans | Sauté Potatoes,<br>Broccoli, Baked<br>Beans  | Chipped<br>Potatoes, Baked<br>Beans, Peas,<br>Sauces              |
| 1/2 Waffle with<br>Toffee Sauce<br>Fresh Fruit &<br>Yoghurt | Chocolate Chip<br>Cookie   | Fruit Salad  | Iced Sprinkle<br>Sponge  | Assorted<br>Mousse  |



**Be an attendance HERO**  
**Here Everyday Ready Ontime**





## Sign of the Week

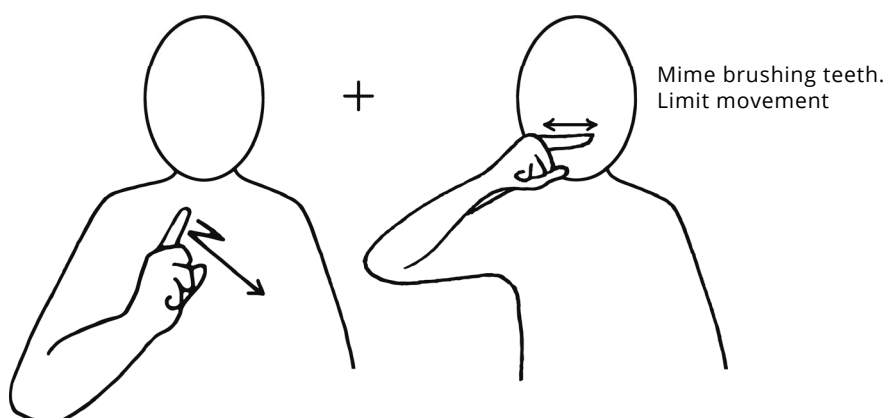
24th February – 2nd March 2025

This week's sign is '**Electric Toothbrush**'!

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



**Electric Toothbrush**



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