



# Turves Green Primary School Newsletter

**Excelsior**  
Multi Academy Trust

25TH OCTOBER 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a good week.

## **School Parliamentarians**

Our Year 5 and 6 School Parliamentarians started off the week with a visit to one of the schools in our trust – Heath Mount. Here the Parliamentarians got to meet the other parliamentarians within the trust... and I was delighted to hear about the bonds being formed by Turves Green and Colmers Farm pupils after their London visit. Our pupils came up with ideas for their project that they will be working on this year. I look forward to hearing what these will be at both of my schools.

## **Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Team**

Our girls football team were in action on Monday, under the watchful eye of Mr Nesbit. They played multiple times, against some very tough competition. I am however delighted to announce that they have qualified for the 'Finals Night' of this competition. Well done girls! Good luck in the finals.

## **Safeguarding Over the Holidays**

If you have any safeguarding concerns involving our pupils over the half term holiday, please contact Birmingham City Council Children's Trust on 0121 303 1888 (Monday to Thursday 8:45am-5:15pm and Friday 8:45am-4:15pm). For emergency out-of-hours support, please telephone 0121 675 4806.

## **Internet Safety**

Children tend to more time on their mobile phones or on the internet over the holidays than they do during a school week. After holidays, many primary and secondary schools across the country unfortunately often end up becoming involved in incidents that have occurred on social media apps between pupils.

Please note that none of our pupils meet the age restrictions for the social media apps identified right. There is a reason why these age limits exist. Although children are often very technically savvy, they do not yet possess the emotional maturity to use these platforms safely and courteously. The use of these can lead to disagreements between pupils, the use of inappropriate language, cyberbullying and pupils being exposed to explicit content.

Age Restriction	Platforms
13	Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, Kik, Ask.fm, Houseparty, Periscope, Tumblr, Reddit, Pinterest
13+	WhatsApp, YouTube, WeChat, Whisper, Yubo <small>(13+ means with parental consent)</small>
16	LinkedIn
18	Tinder, Bumble

If you choose to let your children use these apps, please can we remind parents/carers to be especially vigilant over this period and to regular monitor their children's use of the internet/social media apps. It is also important to talk to children about what to do if they become worried about something they see online. Thank you for your support with this.

## **Year 5 and 6 Basketball Competition**

On Thursday, a group of our Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a MAT basketball competition at King Edwards School. Our pupils did really well finishing 3rd overall, gaining bronze medals. Well done everybody! We are all super proud of you.

## **School Photographs**

Today was school photograph day and both our school photographers commented on the excellent behaviour of our children whilst patiently waiting to have their photographs taken. This is great positive feedback, well done children!

To order your child's photographs, please follow the instructions on the order card your child will bring home with them today.

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing you all a lovely half term break with your families.

Mr Williams  
Headteacher

## Composer of the week

The composer this week is Toumani Diabaté (too-MAH-nee jah-BAH-tay):

This is one of Mr Millington's absolute favourites.



Toumani Diabaté (10/8/1965-19/7/2024) was a Malian kora player. In addition to performing the traditional music of Mali, he was involved in cross-cultural collaborations with flamenco, blues, jazz, and other international styles of music. In 2006, the London-based newspaper The Independent named him one of the fifty best African artists.

The kora is a stringed instrument used extensively in West Africa. A kora typically has 21 strings, which are played by plucking with the fingers. It combines features of the lute and harp

Previous composers:

Mozart, Beethoven, Paul Simon, Art Garfunkel, Chopin, Florence Price, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor and Stevland Hardaway Morris



**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:**

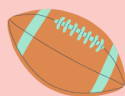


# Before and After School Clubs

## WB 4th November 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
TUESDAY	No afterschool sports club
WEDNESDAY	No afterschool sports club
THURSDAY	No afterschool sports club
FRIDAY	No afterschool sports club



**SEND**  
BIRMINGHAM

### Inclusion Corner

Behaviour Workshop 07.11.24 - Everyone is welcome!

At 9am on Thursday 7th November, we are delighted to be hosting a behaviour workshop, based upon strategies identified by the brilliant Beacon Behaviour Support. As school staff, we use many Beacon strategies to support children to learn how to manage behaviours in school. As parents, many of us take the strategies home too! Please join us: we will watch videos, discuss the suggested ideas and support each other to identify possible next steps.

Everyone is welcome!

I look forward to seeing you on the 7th.

Have a lovely weekend.

Laura Alden  
(Inclusion Lead/ AHT)



**Beacon**  
Behaviour Support for Schools

# Upcoming events:

- Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November School closed for Half Term
- Monday 4th November - School reopens after Half Term break
- Wednesday 6th November 9:00 - 10:30am EYFS Parent Workshop
- Thursday 7th November - 9am Coffee Morning Behaviour Focus
- Wednesday 13th November 9am - 10:30am Parent Workshop
- Thursday 14th November 9am - 9:45am 2W Parent Workshop

# Next weeks PE:

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

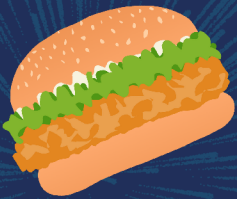
EYFS, Years 1 & 2 to leave PE kits in school to change into on PE days  
Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days

# BONFIRE LUNCH

Tuesday 5th November

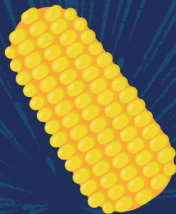
## Main Course

Breaded Chicken Burger with Tomato Ketchup  
Nacho Topped Macaroni Cheese



## Side Dishes

Garlic and Herb Wedges  
Buttered Corn on the Cob  
Bonfire BBQ Beans  
Honey Roasted Carrots



## Dessert

Snap Crackle and Pop Rice Krispie Square  
Chocolate Dipped Apples with Sprinkles

Please note all children in reception, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to free school meals and will automatically receive the theme lunch for their meal. If your child is not entitled to free school meals, and they would like to have the lunch, you will need to top up your child's account by £3.00 to cover the cost for the meal before Thursday.

If your child would like to have the theme lunch, but does not normally have a school dinner, please email [enquiry@turvesgreen.excelsiormat.org](mailto:enquiry@turvesgreen.excelsiormat.org) with your child's name and class



# Turves Green Superstars!



## Hot Chocolate Friday

Well done to all the children who have been nominated.

This week's winners are:

Year 1 - Bramish (1C) & Hayden (1SB)

Year 2 - Shrisha (2C) & Freya (2W)

Year 3 - Kevin (3B) & Tilly-May (3P)

Year 4 - Holly (4C) & Neveah-May (4W)

Year 5 - Poppy (5E) & Mollie (5W)

Year 6 - Hanlin (6M) & Bella (6CS)

## House Points

Armstrong



1762

Earhart



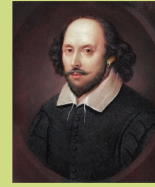
1760

Seacole



1655

Shakespeare



1942

## Superstar Mathletes



Rolover until Week  
Beginning  
4th November 2024



## Handwriting Heroes



Rolover until Week  
Beginning  
4th November 2024



## Lunch Menu

## Week 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Goujons Vegan Bites	Bonfire Lunch Breaded Chicken Burger with Tomato Ketchup Nacho Topped Macaroni Cheese	Chicken Fillet with Gravy and Yorkshire Pudding Quorn Roast	Pork Sausage Vegan Sausage	Pizza Selection Fish Cake
Seasoned Diced Potatoes Garden Peas Sweetcorn	Garlic and Herb Wedges Buttered Corn on the Cob Bonfire BBQ Beans Honey Roasted Carrots	Roast New Potatoes Creamed Potatoes Broccoli Carrots	Creamy Potatoes Gravy Mixed Vegetables	Chips Sweetcorn Baked Beans
Fresh Fruit Salad	Snap Crackle and Pop Rice Krispie Square Chocolate Dipped Apples with Sprinkles	Fresh Fruit Salad	Iced Sponge Cake	Ice Cream Tubs



# Be an attendance HERO Here Everyday Ready Ontime

