



Turves Green Primary School Newsletter

Excelsior
Multi Academy Trust

6TH DECEMBER 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a good week so far.

No Outsiders Visitor

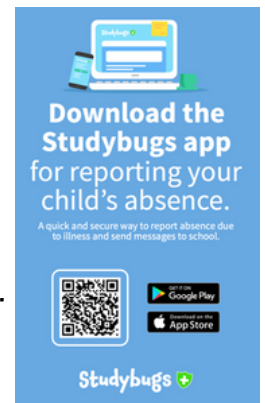
Turves Green is very proud to be a No Outsiders School. This programme encourages our pupils to treat everybody equally and with respect. This includes the protected characteristics as outlined in the 2010 Equality Act (gender, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation). This is an important part of our school ethos.



On Thursday this week, we were visited by Andy Moffat MBE, who is the creator of the No Outsiders Programme and who was one of the finalists for the Varkey Foundation Global Teacher Prize in 2019. He led special assemblies for KS1, Years 3 and 4 and Years 5 and 6 which focused on equality and diversity. Our pupils really enjoyed these assemblies. We would like to thank Andy for giving up his time to visit us.

Studybugs

As a school we have signed up to an App called Studybugs. This is a free app that allows you to report your child's absence from school due to illness, without calling our school office in the morning. Once you have used the app to report your child's absence, our registers will automatically be updated and you will receive a confirmation email.



Punctuality Day

This week's punctuality day was Tuesday. Well done to everybody who arrived on time on this day. Your names will go into the draw.

Leavers

It is with sadness that I have to announce that we will be having two members of staff leaving Turves Green at Christmas. These are Mrs Evans and Miss Coombes. Both staff members are going to work in a school that caters for children with special educational needs. I would like to thank both members of staff for all their hard work and dedication to Turves Green Primary School over the years. We will miss both Mrs Evans and Miss Coombes greatly and we wish them the greatest of success and the best of luck in their new roles.

Mrs Evan's class after Christmas will be led by an experienced teacher called Miss Tonks. Miss Tonks has spent time with the class over the last few weeks and will be spending more time with them and Mrs Evans over the next few weeks to ensure a smooth hand over. Miss Tonks has previously worked within Excelsior MAT at Colmers Farm, before spending a year in Australia last year. We look forward to Miss Tonks officially starting with us in January. I'm sure that you will make her feel welcome.

KidsOut - The Giving Tree

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated to The Giving Tree. If you would like to donate, please pop into the school office and scan the QR code on a tag of your choice, or just bring the gift stated on the tag before Wednesday 11th December. If you would like to learn more about KidsOut, the Fun and Happiness Charity or The Giving Tree, please click [here](#).

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mr Williams
Headteacher

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Composer of the week

Our composer of the week is: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)



Johann Sebastian Bach was born in Eisenach, Germany, where his father was a town musician. Bach came from a long line of composers – over 300 years' worth of Bachs all worked as professional musicians. By the time Johann was 10, both his parents had died, so he was brought up by his older brother, who was a church organist. Johann became a very good organist, too.

During his lifetime, people thought of Bach as just an ordinary working musician. No one really knew much about his music until 100 years after his death, when another composer, Felix Mendelssohn, conducted a performance of Bach's St. Matthew Passion.

Bach is now seen as one of the greatest geniuses in music history. He wrote all kinds of music – for organ and other keyboard instruments, orchestras, choirs, and concertos for many different instrumental combinations.

Previous composers:

Mozart, Beethoven, Paul Simon, Art Garfunkel, Chopin, Florence Price, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Stevland Hardaway Morris, Toumani Diabaté, Quincy Delight Jones Jr, Isaac Albéniz, Glenn Miller and Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky



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:

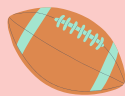


Before and After School Clubs

WB 9th 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
TUESDAY	3:15pm - 4:15pm Computing Club & Lego Club
WEDNESDAY	3:15pm - 4:15pm Year 4 Cricket Club
THURSDAY	3:15pm - 4:15pm Craft Club
FRIDAY	No afterschool activity club



Upcoming events:

- Wednesday 11th December - 4W Trip to Tamworth Castle

- Wednesday 11th December 9am - 10:30am EYFS Maths Workshop

- Thursday 12th December - 4C Trip to Tamworth Castle

- Wednesday 18th December - Nativity 9:15am & 1:45pm (9:15am Adults only)

- Thursday 19th December - Nativity 9:15am & 1:45pm (1:45pm Adults only)



Inclusion Corner
Attendance and Anxiety

We all know being in school everyday, on time, is vital for our children to achieve their full potential, and this is even more true for children who have a Special Educational Need and/or disability.

Some children with SEND may experience additional anxiety around attending school (children without SEND can experience anxiety too!). Children who are neuro-diverse may become anxious due to not understanding social expectations, whilst children with a learning need may become anxious when they know an assessment is due.

As parents, we may want to protect our children from this unpleasant feeling by keeping them with us at home, however this just reaffirms that the child has a reason to be anxious. Attached is a brilliant leaflet with practical ideas to support you and your child. If you need further support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Laura Allden
Inclusion Lead
Assistant Headteacher



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



Turves Green Superstars!



Hot Chocolate Friday

Well done to all the children who have been nominated.

This week's winners are:

- Year 1 - Zahra (1C) & Brendan (1SB)
- Year 2 - Miles (2C) & Belle (2W)
- Year 3 - Zawiya (3B) & Fareedah (3P)
- Year 4 - Jeremiah (4C) & Sophia (4W)
- Year 5 - Toby (5E) & Tristan (5W)
- Year 6 - George (6M) & Yashashvi (6CS)

House Points

Armstrong	Earhart	Seacole	Shakespeare
			
1574	1682	1729	1690

Care and Compassion Award



- Year 1 - Hallie (1C) & Vinnie (1SB)
- Year 2 - Ryan (2C) & Layla-Rose (2W)
- Year 3 - Jasmine (3B) & Sapphire (3P)
- Year 4 - Holly (4C) & Vinnie (4W)
- Year 5 - Sydney (5E) & Rhys (5W)
- Year 6 - Louis (6M) & Lillian (6CS)

Resilience and Perseverance Award



- Year 1 - Jamiel (1C) & Harlow (1SB)
- Year 2 - Miles (2C) & Daisy (2W)

KS2 Resilience and Perseverance certificates will be awarded next week



Lunch Menu

Week 3

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday Christmas Lunch
Fish Fingers Macaroni Cheese A Choice of Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Chicken Tikka Curry Vegetable Curry A Choice of Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Pork Sausage Vegan Sausage A Choice of Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Pizza Selection Popcorn Fish Fillet A Choice of Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Traditional British Roast Turkey Quorn Roast
Herb diced potatoes Mixed Vegetables Sweetcorn	Steamed Rice Naan Bread Sweetcorn Peas	Mashed Potato Gravy Baked Beans Sweetcorn	Chips Baked Beans Sweetcorn	Gravy, Stuffing, Herby Roast Potatoes, Creamy Mashed Potato, Yorkshire Pudding, Honey Glazed Carrots & Brussel Sprouts
Jam Doughnut Watermelon Wedges	Chocolate Flapjack	Fruit Salad	Ice Cream	Christmas Cracknell Square with Custard or Festive Ice Cream



Be an attendance HERO Here Everyday Ready Ontime