

TPS Newsletter

Friday 13th March



Attendance

Our attendance is **93.7%**
well below our whole school target of **95%**.
Please help us to get back to target level.

Best attendance for classes this week are as follows:

Y2 Gemini 97.0%

Y6 Juno 97.2%



Y2 Endeavour = 99.2%

Well done to everyone!



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

98-100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent – children are accessing all learning opportunities 0-2 days absence in an academic year
96-97%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good – Very few learning opportunities are missed 4-7 days absent in an academic year
94-95%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk of underachievement Up to 10 school days absent in an academic year
92-93%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High risk of underachievement Up to 15 school days absent in the academic year
90-91%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Severe risk of underachievement Up to 19 school days absent in the academic year
<90%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme risk of underachievement Upwards of 22 days absent in the academic year

Ms Wilson's message

Dear Parents and Families,
The end of another fabulous week where
TPS Staff, children, parents and governors
have truly inspired excellence-

Go Team Tooting!

We have had an excellent uptake of
parents attending educational visits. This
is vital support to the school and the
children are really proud when their
parents participate.

Our **governors** were in school yesterday
seeing learning in action from Reception
to Y6. They enjoyed the STEM activities
and school lunch!!

Our **staff** have all been amazing in their
efforts to encourage the children's
curiosity during STEM week. A special
shout out to Miss Burton and the STEM
team!

The **children** have excelled in their
engagement and ingenuity during
scientific investigations, making the best
filter to clean water, making 'kind' paint
and even slime with no plastics.

They have executed this with a real and
developing understanding of how they
can take steps to make the planet safer.

Brilliant!

Tooting Primary STEM WEEK



This year Tooting Primary School proudly celebrated its second S.T.E.M Week, with the theme 'How can your curiosity help to save the planet?'. Throughout the week, children explored environmental challenges and used their curiosity and creativity to design, build, test and evaluate solutions.

In Early Years and the Base, pupils investigated whether paint could be made in a kinder way by creating paint from natural resources. Year 1 designed balloon-powered cars to explore safer engines, while Year 2 made biodegradable slime to consider how materials could be recycled.

In Key Stage 2, Year 3 created wind turbines to think about reducing electricity from fossil fuels, Year 4 made biodegradable plastic from milk, Year 5 designed water filters to clean dirty water, and Year 6 explored why carbon dioxide is harmful to the environment by creating carbon dioxide catchers.

During the week, the children were also visited by several inspiring STEM professionals. Ryan Kraliz, who has worked in the space industry, spoke about careers in space. Jess and Abi from Kier Group led a bridge-building workshop, while Peter Brice from the McLaren Formula 1 Team shared insights into what F1 cars need to go quickly. The children also heard from Ruth Willis, a government scientist working on food safety, and Sophie Bancroft, who spoke about her experience working for network rail.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, we are incredibly grateful for your support.

It was a fantastic week of hands-on learning, with children across the school using S.T.E.M to explore how their curiosity can help protect our planet.





YEAR 3 VIKING STEM WEEK



Year 3 had a fantastic STEM week to explore their curiosity question of 'How can we make clean energy available to all?' They were tasked to become engineers by the charity Practical Action to find a real world solution to help children in Peru have access to clean energy. They decided to build wind turbines using readily available resources. It was mostly a success! They experienced how to work in a team, show resilience and find solutions to practical problems.



They were treated to a talk from parent, Ryan, who is a mechanical engineer who builds technology to go on satellites in space!

They built bridges after learning about sustainability from visitors from Keir.



WHAT'S THE SCOOP IN THE DISCOVERY ZONE



CLASS NEWSLETTER

What We've Learned

This week in English, we have been composing sentences while continuing to explore what we can see from different perspectives, thinking about how the characters experience events in our core text *The Train Ride*.

In Maths, we have been subtracting different numbers using lots of fun resources such as dominoes and interactive games.

Once again, thank you to all the mums and dads who helped us this week with Fun with Food. Your support is greatly appreciated.



BREAKING NEWS

GALAXY CLASS



TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL



MARCH 2026

THE BEST SMOOTHIES IN THE GALAXY

THIS WEEK, GALAXY CLASS HAD A FANTASTIC TIME MAKING FRUIT SMOOTHIES!

This week, Galaxy Class had a fantastic time making fruit smoothies! The children really enjoyed getting involved in every step of the process — from washing and chopping the fruits to blending them together to create delicious smoothies.

It was wonderful to see everyone working carefully and enthusiastically as they explored different fruits and practised their cooking skills. The classroom was full of excitement as our young chefs proudly tasted the smoothies they had made. A big well done to all of our amazing Galaxy chefs!

We are very proud of how everyone participated and supported each other during the activity. We look forward to doing more cooking together next Wednesday and trying new recipes.

Thank you for your continued support!



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CLASS NEWSLETTER

Weekly overview

This week, some of the children have been learning to subitise numbers to 5 and 10 using a range of fun learning resources and activities. The other half of the class have begun exploring our new maths topic, capacity.

As part of our core text about train journeys, we had the opportunity to visit the British Transport Museum. The children enjoyed learning about different modes of transport and seeing old trains.

Thank you to all the mums and dads for your continued help and support.



TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL

EASTER BONNET PARADE

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH
8:30 - 8:50 AM

START CRAFTING YOUR EASTER
BONNETS TO JOIN US ON THE
MAIN PLAYGROUND (INSTEAD OF
DAILY MILE) FOR THE PARADE.

TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRESENTS

STEM FAIR



WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL 2026
between 3:45pm and 4:30pm

EARTH
DAY!

The children have been working very hard on their STEM curiosity projects - finding out how their curiosity can help to save the planet. They would love to invite you all in to see the work that they have been doing in class. We will also be setting children a challenge over the Easter holidays to be curious about how they can save the planet, and we would love to display any STEM home-learning projects at the fair. Please come along with your children to see the wonderful work that has been taking place!

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MARATHON 26
IN SCHOOLS

2026 TCS MINI LONDON
MARATHON IN SCHOOLS

WE'RE TAKING
PART



#WeRunTogether

Once again children in year 1-6 will take part in the Mini London Marathon In Schools.

Each child will complete the two mile distance over 3 weeks between April 13th and May 1st



Name	Class	Reason
Little Explorers	Little Explorers	For behaving exceptionally well at the British Transport Museum.
Riyon	Voyager	For applying himself really well to his classwork and putting in lots of extra effort and staying longer on task. Well done!
Dillon	Galaxy	Displaying all the values of the school.
Jude	Apollo	Has been the best STEM investigator this week! He has explored, question and used scientific vocabulary to make kind paint. He has shone with interest and enthusiasm. Well done Jude!
Izabella	Mercury	Izabella has been demonstrating curiosity during our STEM week. She has been thinking about where paint goes and had a go at making natural paint using food!
Penda	Atlantis	Penda has shown fantastic curiosity during STEM Week! She listened carefully to our STEM volunteer and impressed everyone by asking thoughtful and interesting questions. Her eagerness to learn more about how to create a safer engine showed a wonderful learning attitude. Well done, Penda, for being so curious!
Barzah	Enterprise	Barzah has shone in our STEM week activities. Showing brilliant curiosity and commitment, she has contributed well to our class work answering our big question - 'Can we make a car move using a safer engine?' She has also been a superstar whilst practicing for our Science-themed class assembly. Well done, Barzah!
Talha	Endeavour	Talha showed curiosity through all our STEM activities, enjoying building a bridge and making eco friendly slime. Above all Talha demonstrated amazing team work in all the activities. Well done Talha.
Myla	Geminmi	Myla has shown great enthusiasm this week towards her curiosity linking our STEM project to real life events. She has shown great team working skills and resilience towards our learning. Well done Myla, keep it up!

Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
Zoe	Viking	For making excellent links between real life and her learning during STEM week. It has been wonderful to see Zoe's confidence grow as she bravely shares during class 'Show and Tell'.
Lujain	Jupiter	Lujain has been displaying curiosity throughout STEM week. She has shown interest, engagement and asked lots of interesting questions .
Ardi	Mariner	Ardi has impressed me during STEM week by working collaboratively with his group or partner. He has used the internet to do some excellent research and thought deeply about how he has grown as a scientist through our experiments, even if they didn't work! Well done Ardi.
Harrison	Pioneer	For being a curious Scientist during STEM Week, Harrison enjoyed investigating the different materials cutlery can be made of. Later in the week, he helped his team make biodegradable "plastic" and measured his team's success. Excellent job, Harrison!
Maham	Mir	This week I have been very impressed with Maham during STEM Week. She made excellent choices during our water filtering enquiry, worked brilliantly as part of a team when researching relevant scientists, and supported her group during the experiment. Maham also showed a clear understanding by confidently explaining what they did and presenting their results. Well done Maham!
Annabelle	Selene	For working incredibly hard and working collaboratively! Well done Annabelle
Jack	Juno	Jack has been doing some excellent STEM investigating this week. He has worked well with his peers, drawing thoughtful conclusions and he produced a great write-up clearly explaining what we did. Well done, Jack!
Mayra	Ariel	Mayra has really impressed me during STEM week. Mayra has been contributing so well to our science lessons this week and she has done some amazing research, predictions and conducted an experiment fairly. Well done Mayra- you are a fantastic scientist!



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HOW IT HELPS:

WHAT PARENTS SAY:

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"we looked forward to and valued our sessions a great deal"



Speak to your child's school for more information

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We have an Eventbrite page where parents and carers can **book upcoming workshops and webinars**



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or email wandsworthcwp@swlstg.nhs.uk

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Polski (Polish): Jeśli potrzebujesz tłumacza, skontaktuj się ze szkołą.

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Українська (Ukrainian): Якщо вам потрібен перекладач, будь ласка, зв'яжіться зі школою.

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ગુજરાતી (Gujarati): જો તમને અનુવાદકની જરૂર હોય તો કૃપા કરીને શાળાને સંપર્ક કરો.

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EASTER

AT ST NICHOLAS TOOTING

EASTER TRAILS

SUNDAY 22ND MARCH 2:30-4:00PM

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with games and puzzles

Free chocolate egg for all participants

Booking is not necessary, but to help us
buy enough eggs please reserve your place

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at St Nicholas this Easter, check
out our website

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Come celebrate

EID MUBARAK

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Saturday 21st March

from 2pm

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PLOUGH LANE, SW17 0NR



AFC WIMBLEDON v BILLERICA
SUNDAY 1 MARCH, 3PM
PLOUGH LANE, SW17 0NR

AFC Wimbledon Women are back at the Cherry Red Records Stadium, and we are giving you TWO great opportunities to join us - **FOR FREE!** We love being part of our community, and want to share the love of the game with you. We hope to see as many of you as possible in the stands!

HOW TO CLAIM YOUR FREE TICKETS:

Use the code **AFCFPL** on tickets.afcwimbledon.ltd.uk in the Promotional Code field.

Once entered, you can choose the amount of tickets you need (up to 10), and then download your tickets either to your phone, or have them printed.

The code is valid for both games, and you can claim free tickets for either or both games.

AT THE GROUND:

Entry to the ground is via Gate 3, opposite Lidl - the gate opens one hour before kick-off. We will have food, drinks and fun activations available ahead of the game, so make sure you get there in time to get the full experience!

There will also be a programme and player cards for sale, which all the players will sign after the game!

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TUESDAYS
5pm - 6pm

Black Prince,
Beaufort Walk, SE11 6AA

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WEDNESDAYS

Age 5-11 6-6.45pm
Age 12+ 6.45-7.45pm

Lime Tree Primary School
Bottlebridge Lane, Mersham
RH1 3DS

SUTTON HUB

WEDNESDAYS
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The Change Foundation,
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Blenheim High School
Longmead Rd, Epsom
KT19 9BH

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MONDAYS
5pm - 6pm

Ernest Bevin Academy
Beechcroft Rd, London
SW17 7DF

ROWLEDGE HUB

THURSDAYS
6pm - 7.30pm

Weydon School
Weydon Lane, Farnham
GU9 8UG

VALLEY END HUB

SUNDAYS
10.30am - 12.30pm

Eastwood Leisure Centre
Albert Drive, Sheerwater,
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TPA Newsletter

13 March 2026

Raising money to help fund school trips, sports & playground equipment and so much more!



Save the date: Sunday 3 May

We're excited to be planning a **brand new community event** for the school on **Sunday 3 May from 11am**. Inspired by the famous song "I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)", we're **challenging our whole school community to collectively walk 500 miles in one day!** Families, friends and neighbours will be able to join a local walking route around Tooting, completing as many miles as they like while raising money for the school. We'll finish with a relaxed get-together with food, drinks and music. More details coming soon – but for now, save the date and start thinking about how many miles you might walk!

Not long until we need you to start baking!

Join us on **Friday 20 March from 3.15–4.30pm** for our **Easter & Eid Bake Sale & Craftnoon**, a great opportunity for our school community to come together and celebrate both festivals. There will be plenty of delicious homemade cakes and treats to enjoy, and children will also have the chance to decorate biscuits and take part in some fun craft activities. Start planning those bakes now – we're egg-cited to see what everyone brings and discover who is the star of the day!

Thank you to everyone who braved the rain last Friday to buy Krispy Kreme doughnuts

*We raised
£244!!*

(in 15 minutes)

Our book sale is back on!

Huge apologies that we weren't able to hold the promised book sale last week. Unfortunately the rain made it too difficult to set up and sell the books. The good news is that the sale will now take place at our Easter & Eid Bake Sale on Friday 20 March, so please come along and pick up a bargain while enjoying the festivities.

Raise regular donations for the TPS with your weekly food shop!



HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

- 1 Download the **easyfundraising** app
- 2 Choose **Tooting Primary School - London** as your cause
- 3 See retailers donate whenever you shop

Term Dates

Friday 19th December – Last day of term, **early finish, 2pm**

Spring Term 2026

Monday 5th January, 2026 – Inset day (no children in school)

Friday 13th February, 2026-Inset day (no children in school)

TUESDAY 6th JANUARY – CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

Thursday 12th February – last day, break up for Half Term

Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February – Half Term Holiday

MONDAY 23rd February – CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

Friday 27th March– Last day of term, **early finish, 2pm**

Summer Term 2026

Monday 13th April – CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL (NO INSET DAY)

Monday 4th May – Bank holiday (no children in school)

Friday 22nd May – last day, break up for Half Term

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May – Half Term Holiday

Monday 1st June – CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

Friday 17th July – last day of term, **early finish 2pm**

Monday 20th July – Inset Day (no children in school)

Important Dates

March

Mon 9 th	Healthcare Science week
Thurs 12 th	Lex London Transport Museum
Fri 13 th	Year 4 Science Museum
Sunday 15 th	Mother's Day
Mon 16 th	Neurodiversity Celebration week begins
Tue 17 th	Patrick's Day
Wed 18 th	Choir Performance at Tooting Market
Wed 18 th	Ramadan ends
Wed 18 th	Y5 Natural History Museum
Thurs 19 th	Year 3 Play
Thurs 19 th	Eid starts
Fri 20 th	Eid Ends - Red nose day
Mon 23 rd	Shakespeare Week begins
Tue 24 th	Parents Evening 2-6 pm
Thurs 26 th	Purple Day - Epilepsy
Thurs 26 th	Year 1 Parent Assembly at 2:30 pm (Parents invited)

April

Wed 1 st April	Inclusion drop-in 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Wed 15 th April	Inclusion drop-in 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Thurs 23 rd	Surrey Cricket Schools
Sun 26 th	Sponsored Family Walk Colour/Run/Trail/Scavenger/Hunt (Tooting) 11am-1pm

Wed 29 th	Inclusion drop-in 3:30 to 4:30 pm
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May

Fri 8 th	EFYS Disco 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Fri 15 th	International Food Fair 3:15 - 4:30 pm

June

Mon 22 nd	PGL Residential Trip
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July

Sun 25 th	Lost or damaged Books Contributions
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