

TPS Newsletter

Friday 14th November



Attendance

This week we have seen an attendance rate of **94.5%** - slightly below our school target of 95%.

The top 3 attendance this week:

Year 3 Viking = 97.8%

Year 2 Gemini = 98.5%



Year 5 Mir = 99.1%

Safeguarding Notice

Reminder: parents are not to come into the school building in the mornings



Key Dates

Tuesday 9th December - Parents evening 1pm-6pm

Tuesday 9th December - Winter Performance Y4 & Y6 at Graveney School - doors open at 10:15am

Wednesday 10th December - Y3 Strings concert 11 - 11:20am

Wednesday 10th December - Y4 Strings Concert and Ensemble Strings Concert 2:15 - 2:35pm
& Y4 Violin/Cello Performances - 1:15pm - 3:15pm

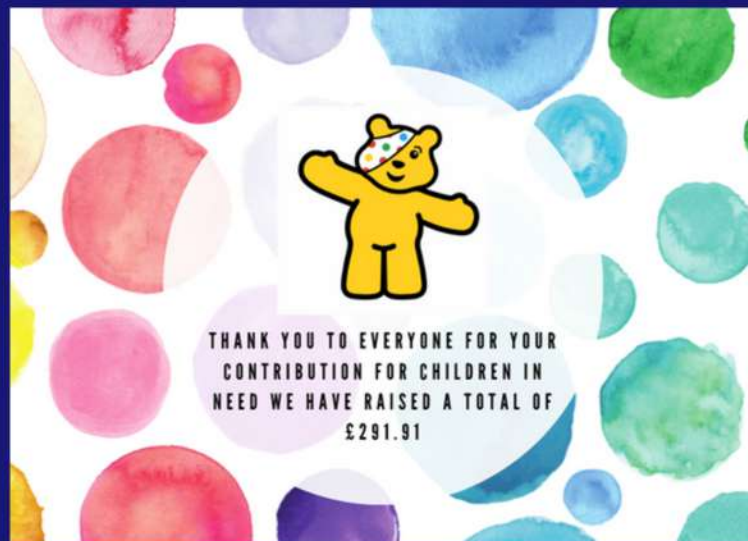
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Monday 15th December - Reception, Y1 & Y2 Winter Show, bottom hall 2pm

Tuesday 16th December - Reception, Y1 & Y2 Winter Show, bottom hall 9:30am

Monday 5th January - INSET DAY

Tuesday 6th January - Children return back to school



**Spring term clubs open
for the whole school -
Saturday 22nd November
at 10am**

asc@tootingprimary.org

**This email address is for all after
school club related questions**

Polite reminder

If you are going to be late to collect your child, please make contact with the school office as soon as possible

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK



LEST
WE
FORGET

11 NOVEMBER ARMISTICE DAY

FOR ARMISTICE DAY, YEAR 3 WANTED TO REMEMBER ALL THE COMMUNITIES LOST DURING CONFLICT. THEY LEARNT ABOUT WHAT THE COLOURS OF POPPIES SYMBOLISE INCLUDING RED FOR LIVES LOST, WHITE FOR PEACE, PURPLE FOR ANIMALS LOST AND BLACK TO COMMEMORATE UNTOLD STORIES FROM PEOPLE OF COLOUR. AS A RESULT, CHILDREN DESIGNED AND MADE THEIR OWN POPPY COLLAGE USING TISSUE PAPER.





November is Pancreatic
Cancer Awareness Month



**JOIN US IN RAISING AWARENESS DURING
PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
BY WEARING PURPLE ON THURSDAY 20TH
NOVEMBER.**



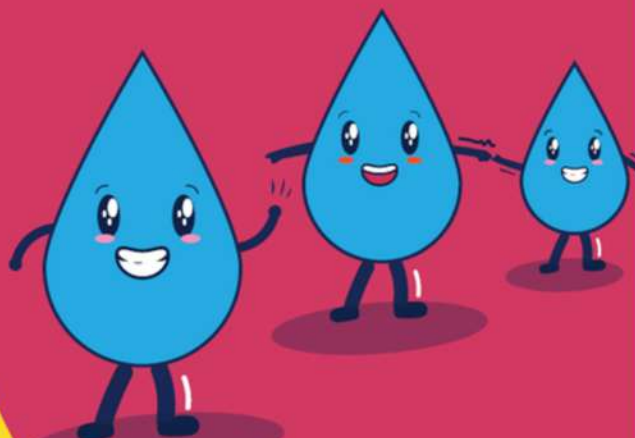
Donation buckets will be on the
gates if you would like to support
this hugely important charity.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Water makes up two thirds of our body. Water carries nutrients to cells, helps maintain body temperature and keeps your brain awake. We should always drink plenty of water as it's by far the healthiest drink!



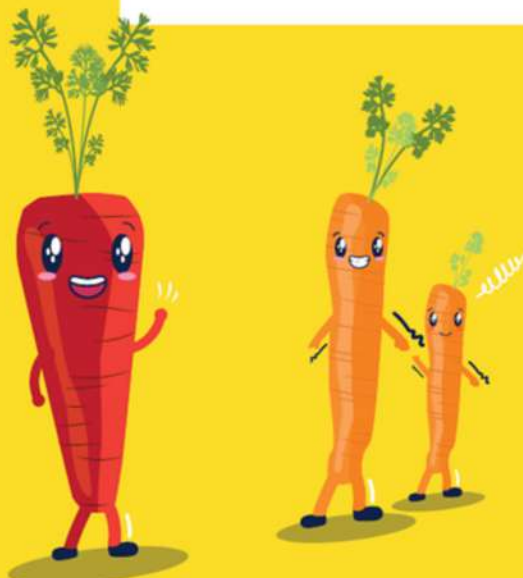
WATER

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DID YOU KNOW?

Carrots come in lots of different colours; purple, red, white, and yellow. Carrots help our bodies produce vitamin A, which helps good vision and helps us grow and develop!



CARROTS

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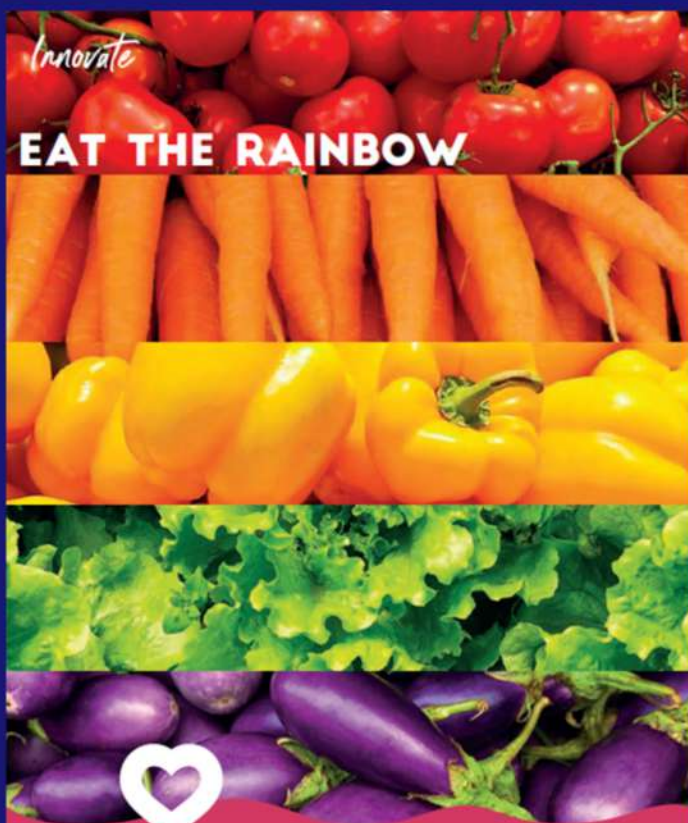
Oranges are packed full of vitamin C, which can help boost our immune system. Eating whole fruit is always healthier than drinking juice, as you get lots of important fibre and juice can be very high in sugar!



ORANGES

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EAT THE RAINBOW



TRY EATING FIVE RAINBOW COLOURS A DAY!

Sign of the week

THANK
YOU



What's the scoop in Early Years?

Week 2 has seen us design traps, potions and schemes to catch the dragon and rescue the Witch's cat, Wilbur!



Sampling the menu in our pumpkin patch and creating recipes.



Making music and spells to scare the dragon away!



WHAT'S THE SCOOP IN THE DISCOVERY ZONE



Little Explorers

This week, the children have been busy both in and out of the classroom. In our garden, we planted some beans to accompany the radishes we have already been growing. The children are enjoying learning about how plants grow and change over time.

In Art, we have been exploring cold colours and using different shades of blue, green, and purple to create thoughtful and expressive pieces.

In English, it has been a particularly engaging week. The children explored a variety of fruits through reading and discussion, before preparing and enjoying their own fruit salad. This hands-on activity helped to bring their learning to life in a fun and meaningful way.

Voyager



This week in Voyager we have been learning about emotions. We used a resource from the Learning Resources Service that the students really enjoyed. The dice had different emotions on each side and they had to replicate the emotion rolled with felt facial features. As well we did some strength work with pattern matching and decorating a gingerbread person.

Galaxy

Galaxy Class have been busy planning their very own Detective Story! The children have been full of creative ideas — developing mysterious plots, clever clues, and interesting characters as they work together to build their story.

A big well done to Galaxy Class for showing such wonderful teamwork recently. They have been playing harmoniously together, enjoying different games, and displaying great cooperation and friendship during break times. Keep it up, Galaxy — your teamwork and creativity are shining brightly!





Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
Ezra	Little Explorers	For showing good listening and following instructions with little prompting.
Riyon	Voyager	Riyon has really come into his own this past week. His engagement, eye contact and interaction has really been impressive. He has been enjoying the 'k is for kangaroo' so much that he verbalised 'kangaroo' in class.
Aalia	Galaxy	Well done, Aalia ,You're our Star of the Week for sharing such creative and thoughtful ideas during our lessons. Your enthusiasm and insight make our class even better — keep it up!"
Phoebe	Apollo	Phoebe is so curious and excited for each day. She shares her ideas clearly and this week challenged herself to write a sentence! She is kind to her Reception classmates and supports them in their learning too! What a star! Thank you Phoebe
Alaa	Mercury	This week, Alaa has been so engaged during our lessons and has been sharing brilliant ideas when thinking about how to capture the Dragon that stole Wilbur! She has taken on roles of responsibility in the class and is encouraging other children to do their best learning. Well done Alaa!
Ottillie	Atlantis	Ottillie has been making great strides in her learning - showing lots of independence and perseverance in her writing, and coming up with some excellent sentences about brown bears! We have also been so proud of Ottillie's resilience and positive attitude towards her Phonics lessons, this week! Well done, Ottillie!
Amran	Enterprise	This week, we have been very impressed with Amran's hard work and resilience with her sentence writing. She has been thinking very carefully about using her phonics to form words and remembering to use a full stop and capital letter. We are very proud of you, Amran!
Laurie	Endeavour	For joining in with confidence, asking excellent questions, and showing great resilience in every task — a real role model to others!
Greta	Gemini	Greta has shown amazing resilience this week, working hard and staying focused. Her math work has been excellent—she answers questions confidently and supports those around her with kindness and patience.



Name	Class	Reason
Joao	Viking	Joao never fails to brighten up anyone's day. From his brilliant sense of humour, inquisitive nature and resilience, he has shown our school values more often. This week, he has really taken responsibility for learning, completing more tasks independently and shown resilience. He even remembered the actions and lines for our upcoming Nativity, leading the class during the dance.
Ayman	Jupiter	Ayman is truly a kindness warrior and sets a shining example of compassion and care for all his peers! He is always ready to help others and treats everyone with respect. His thoughtful actions and caring nature make our classroom a better place every single day. Keep it up Ayman!
Lara	Mariner	I am very impressed with Lara's attitude towards learning. She quietly gets on with all her work and is very quick to respond to instructions in class. She has been working hard on her writing and I was impressed with how she selected conjunctions to combine clauses and add detail to her writing. Well done Lara, keep working hard!
Caden	Pioneer	This Maths magician has learned about Area for the first time! I am so proud of how carefully he has counted squares to find the area of rectilinear shapes, compare them and order them by size. Great job, Caden!
Jaden	Mir	I am continually impressed by the care and pride Jaden brings to all of his learning. His kindness, positive attitude, and willingness to help make him a joy to have in Mir class!
Seb G	Selene	I have been so proud of Seb with his attitude to learning this week and in particular his self assessment of his English and confidence to ask for help to redraft the plan of his story. Well done Seb and thank you for enthusiasm, keep it up.
Matilda	Juno	Matilda could win this award <i>every single week</i> . She is truly a delight to have in the classroom; she is helpful, kind and has a great sense of humour. I have been particularly impressed with Matilda's English learning this week. She has planned a really entertaining prequel, and I can't wait to read it when it is finished next week! What a superstar!
Ethan	Ariel	I am so impressed with Ethan's English work this week. He has engaged so well with our class text 'Once' and made brilliant contributions to our class discussions around it. These rich class discussions resulted in him planning a brilliant prequel chapter that I cannot wait to read. Well done Ethan, keep it up!

TPA Newsletter

14 November 2025

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

AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

THUR 20 7-9.30pm | The Trafalgar
WINE
TASTING

DECEMBER

WEDS 03 7-9.30pm | Lower Hall
WREATH
MAKING

FRI 05 3.15-5pm | School
JINGLE
MINGLE

Make a festive wreath for your door

Get into the festive spirit at the Christmas Wreath Workshop on Wednesday 3 December from 7-9.30pm. For just £40, you'll create your own beautiful festive wreath. Spaces are very limited, so email tpa@tootingprimary.org to secure your spot and complete payment by Friday 28 November.

Halloween bake sale raises a scary amount!

A spooktacular thank you to everyone who baked and bought at our first Halloween bake sale of the year! Thanks to your amazing support, we raised a frightening £359.81 for the TPA.

TPA
WINE
Tasting

Thursday 20 November
7pm until late



Last orders for tickets - midnight TONIGHT!

Don't delay - make sure you've booked your tickets for Rory's legendary Wine Tasting Night on Thursday 20 November! It's always a brilliant evening of great wine, good company, and plenty of laughs. We'd especially love to welcome Reception parents (and any other new parents and carers) for the first time. Last orders for tickets is TONIGHT - Friday 14 November - so book your tickets now by emailing tpa@tootingprimary.org

Join us for the Jingle Mingle - 5 December

Get into the festive spirit at the TPA's Jingle Mingle on Friday 5 December! Enjoy an evening packed with Christmas fun, including a silent disco, choir performance, glitter tattoos, lucky dip, Christmas jumper sale, jar tombola, crafting and cookie decorating. Plus, tuck into mince pies, cakes and savoury bakes, and toast the season with mulled wine, hot chocolate or prosecco. It's the perfect way to get into the Christmas spirit - we can't wait to see you there!

Reuse, Re-love, Re-jingle!

Give your outgrown Christmas jumpers a new lease of life! Please drop them at the school office before 5 December so we can sell them at the Jingle Mingle.

Donate raffle prizes for Jingle Mingle

If your workplace could donate a prize, we'd be so grateful - every prize really does help. Get in touch at tpa@tootingprimary.org

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)

Dates for Diary

TPA Wreath Making 7-9:30pm - **3rd December**

St. Nicholas' Church Light Switch on with KS2 Choir - **4th December**

TPA Jingle Mingle - **5th December**

KS2 Performance at Graveney Y4 & Y6 - **9th December**

Parents Evening - **9th December**

Y3 & Y4 Violin/Cello End of Term Performance - **10th December**

KS2 Performance at Graveney Y3 & Y5 - **12th December**

Reception, Y1 & Y2 Winter Show 2pm - **15th December**

Reception, Y1 & Y2 Winter Show 9:30am - **16th December**

Last Day of Term, early finish 2pm - **19th December**

INSET DAY - 5th January

Back to School - 6th January

