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TPS Newsletter

Friday 19th December

Attendance

We reached 94.3% attendance for the Autumn term this is just below our whole school target of 95%

Best attendance for classes this Autumn Term are as follows:

Y2 Gemini = 95.7%

Y5 Mir & Y1 Enterprise = 96.2%

Y3 Viking = 97.9%

Well done to everyone - have a wonderful Christmas break and see you in January

Key Dates

Monday 5th January - INSET DAY

Tuesday 6th January - Children return back to school

Ms Wilson's Message

Dear TPS families,

Autumn Term ended with a rapturous carol singing assembly this morning, organised by Mrs De Souza whose friend played the piano. The children and staff sang heartily, several songs including the 12 days of Christmas- complete with actions. It was a veritable party atmosphere!!

We celebrated Artie and Harrison Brown for their fundraising (see below)- we are so proud of you boys!!

Have a fantastic time with your families this festive season.

Take a look at some of the Christmas class door decorations below.

6 more sleeps until Christmas!

See you on the other side.

WELL DONE
Artie and Harrison

Artie and Harrison spent their Sunday on the 30th November raising money for Battersea Dogs and Cats Home - it was all their own idea.

They collected books, toys, games and sweets themselves and from their friends and set up a stall to sell them in Furzedown. They designed and put up posters around the local area and then spent 3 hours setting up the stall and making sales.

They managed to raise **£134** in total (they offered a free mince pie with every purchase over £3!).

They managed to time it well with their mum's work having a Giving Week whereby they triple any charitable donations from employees so the final donation to Battersea was **£402**.

They received a special letter and badge from Battersea in recognition of their fundraising and they're (rightfully) very proud of themselves.

Year 3 Strings Performance

Last week, the children in Jupiter and Viking had their first ever strings performance! After weeks of hard work and practice, both classes showcased their skills and played their instruments with great confidence. Their enthusiasm and dedication was lovely to see for all the adults. Well done Year 3!

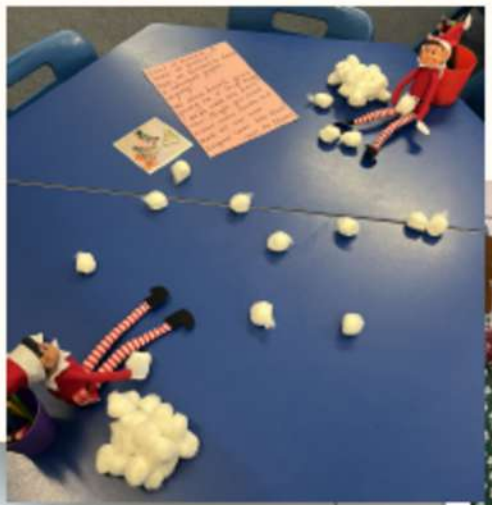
'TPS KS2 Choir singing at the Christmas in the yard Christmas light switch-on 2025'

This term TPS KS2 Choir had the pleasure of singing at St Nicholas church for their Christmas in the Yard- Christmas light switch on. They put on a fantastic festive show- well done!

ELF ALERT!

The cheeky elves have been causing festive havoc in Enterprise and Atlantis this term - decorations appeared on 1st December, a (melted) snowman was discovered, teachers gained unexpected passengers, and the whiteboard had to be unwrapped for Phonics!

The elves are now heading back to the North Pole - much to the relief of some very tired teachers!



Neurodiversity Partnership

We are delighted to announce we are taking part in a nationwide project called PINS- Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools.

An important aspect of this is parental engagement, we want to include you, hear your views and experiences so we can continue to work together to further develop our inclusive practice.

Please scan the QR code below to complete a questionnaire to share your views.

Exciting developments in the Discovery zone

We are super excited to announce that our two new, state of the art sensory rooms have been installed this week.

We are very much looking forward to the children using these spaces to support their regulation as well as using them as integral learning spaces and to enhance their learning.

The equipment includes touch, sound and switch activated light up panels which can be used to support children's understanding of cause and effect, turn taking and social interaction as well as communication skills. There are vibration panels which not only support sensory integration, but will also be used as part of our communication and music curriculum.

We are so delighted that the Trust and Wandsworth have been able to find this amazing additional to our resource base provision.

Online Gaming

We would like to make families aware of a recent online trend called “Steal a Brainrot,” a game that some students are engaging with through Roblox. While the activity may appear playful online, it has begun to cause conflicts between students.

To help keep our school environment safe and focused, we encourage parents and caregivers to:

- Monitor your child’s online activity, especially within Roblox and related gaming communities.
- Set up parental controls to manage gameplay time, in-game interactions, and access to specific games or content.
- Remind them that games and trends should not interfere with learning or respectful interactions.
- Our goal is to ensure that students are able to enjoy their online interests responsibly while maintaining a positive and productive school day.

Little Explorers

This week, the children have worked extremely hard and shown a fantastic willingness to try and interact with new learning resources. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they explored activities with curiosity and enthusiasm.

On Wednesday, Lex hosted a family craft afternoon, which was filled with festive activities and provided a lovely opportunity for families to spend time together. Parents and children also enjoyed visiting our new sensory room, which was met with great excitement and positivity.

We would like to wish Lex and all our families a very Merry Christmas and thank you for your continued support.

Voyager

This week in Voyager Class we completed our exploration of The Colour Monster in our English lessons and we've been busy making Christmas decorations. We had an exciting afternoon on Tuesday as we had a craft activity session with our parents and the chance to explore our amazing new sensory room.

Galaxy

On Thursday Galaxy children were excited to invite their parents into school for a Christmas craft afternoon. We iced Santa biscuits, painted salt dough decorations we'd made and decorated Christmas tree cards. A lovely afternoon and thank you to all the parents who joined us,

Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
	Little Explorers	This week all the children have worked extremely hard, they have all demonstrated the characteristics of having a growth mindset.
Riyon	**Voyager**	For showing good listening and waiting skills. Riyon has been sitting patiently when waiting for his turn during group activities and shown a big improvement when waiting for his lunch to be presented. Well done!
Layla	**Apollo**	For resilience and trying her best everyday, her smile and positivity brightens up our day.
Hailey	**Mercury**	For consistently taking part in all class activities and having such a great attitude. You are always a kind friend to everyone in the class and make sure everyone feels included. Keep it up Hailey!
Floarn	**Atlantis**	Floarn has really been impressing us with his writing in English and positive attitude to his learning. He has been working hard to sound out his words independently and has been saying excellent sentences about what he can see! Well done, Floarn!
Bruce	**Enterprise**	Bruce consistently shows our TPS values, always showing great commitment in his work and offering insightful contributions to class discussions. We will miss him lots whilst he jets off to Australia. Well done on a great first term in Year 1, Bruce!
Immie	**Endeavour**	You consistently show kindness to everyone and treat others with respect and care. You demonstrate our school values through your positive attitude and willingness to help others. You are a wonderful role model—well done Immie.
Sophia	**Gemini**	Sophia has shown great resilience in her work, always trying her best even when things are challenging. She is also consistently kind and caring towards everyone around her. Well done!

Name	Class	Reason
Nasiah	**Viking**	For making a huge effort to improve her focus, great resilience in her learning and for being a kind friend
Zainab	**Jupiter**	Although Zainab is new to our class, she has settled in beautifully and shows all of our school's core values! She is a kind and caring friend to other children and shows resilience by working very hard and learning from her mistakes.
Haneen	**Mariner**	Haneen has absolutely blown me away with the improvement in her reading, writing and speaking skills since the beginning of Year 4. She has been confidently orally composing sentences and then writing them using all of her phonics skills, joined up handwriting, and finger spaces. It is such a joy to see her growing!
Grayson	**Pioneer**	I've noticed this Star blossom in confidence this term! Whether is it Maths, Zumba or competitive sports, Grayson puts 100% into everything he tries! Keep it up, Grayson!
Jesse	**Mir**	Jesse has had a fantastic term, and it has been a pleasure to see his confidence continue to grow. He is taking great care and pride in his writing, and this was clearly demonstrated in the fantastic narrative he wrote based on the text Firebird. Keep up the wonderful effort, Jesse!
Jeanne	**Selene**	I enjoyed watching the final PE lesson of the year as I saw Jeanne used her knowledge of the tactics and triggers for dodgeball and managed to catch some fantastic saves and threw the ball to get the opposing team out. Well done on some great PE work Jeanne!
Haniyah	**Juno**	Haniyah could win this certificate every week; she is kind, hardworking, considerate and such a role model. This week however, she is receiving the Star Award for her brilliant performance in the Winter Production and for her bravery and confidence when delivering her lines! What a star!
Layla	**Ariel**	Layla has shone since day one of year 6. She has settled in so well and taken the challenges of year 6 in her stride. Layla is creative, caring and funny and a true asset to 6 Ariel class. I am so proud of all you have achieved this term. Well done and keep it up!

MOLLY ARBUTHNOTT
Eamonn the Bat
Illustrated by A.L Albrecht Cantù
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TEEN READING GROUP
MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER [AT] 4PM
MEET THE AUTHOR MOLLY ARBUTHNOTT
THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER [AT] 4PM
CHRISTMAS CRAFTS
SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER [AT] 2PM
POKEMON CLUB
SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER [AT] 2PM
CHRISTMAS STORIES & CRAFTS
MONDAY 22ND & TUESDAY 23RD DECEMBER [AT] 10AM
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31ST DEC & 1ST JAN 2026

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Black Prince, Beaufoy Walk, SE11 6AA
MERSTHAM HUB
WEDNESDAYS
Age 5-11 6-6.45pm
Age 12+ 6.45-7.45pm
Limetree Primary School Battlebridge Lane, Merstham RH1 3DS
SUTTON HUB
WEDNESDAYS
4pm - 5pm
The Change Foundation, Plough Lane, SM6 8JQ
GIRLS ONLY HUB
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WORCESTER PARK & EPSOM HUB
THURSDAYS
6pm - 7pm
Blenheim High School Longmead Rd, Epsom KT19 9BH
WANDSWORTH HUB
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
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Dates & Times

December

MON	TUE	WED	THU	
22	23	29	30	09:00 - 15:00

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The Snowman
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Celebrate the festive season with a screening of Raymond Briggs' classic animation, accompanied by Graveney School's 50-strong orchestra playing Howard Blake's timeless score.

Thursday 18th December

4pm & 6pm

Mitcham Lane Baptist Church

General Admission £8 / Children (under 10) £5

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Proceeds to cover the cost of screening the film, Mitcham Lane Baptist Church and supporting the Graveney Music Department.

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TPA Newsletter

19 December 2025

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

A massive THANK YOU!

We'd like to wish all our families a wonderful, restful Christmas break and a very happy New Year.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year - we look forward to another fantastic year raising even more money together in the new term.

Employer matched funding is a game-changer! Please let us know if it's something your employer offers!

This is one of the easiest and most impactful ways to raise significant funds for the school - and it often goes unused.

Many employers will **match money raised**, **instantly doubling (or even tripling)** the support we receive, at no extra cost and very little effort from you.

If your workplace offers matched funding please get in touch. Unlocking even a handful of these schemes would make a huge difference to what the TPA can fund for our children.

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

KS2 Performance at Graveney Y4 & Y6 - 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