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TPS Newsletter

Friday 20th 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 96.7%
Y2 Endeavour 96.8%
Y3 Viking = 98.5%
Well done to everyone!

Attendance Matters
Every student. Every day.

98-100%	• Excellent – children are accessing all learning opportunities • **0-2 days absence in an academic year**
96-97%	• Good – Very few learning opportunities are missed • **4-7 days absent in an academic year**
94-95%	• Risk of underachievement • **Up to 10 school days absent in an academic year**
92-93%	• High risk of underachievement • **Up to 15 school days absent in the academic year**
90-91%	• Severe risk of underachievement • **Up to 19 school days absent in the academic year**
<90%	• Extreme risk of underachievement • **Upwards of 22 days absent in the academic year**

Ms Wilson's message

Dear TPS Families,
The end of spring term is upon us. We still have a lot to celebrate.

Our halls have been filled with music this week from the KS1 steel pans; Year 1 afternoon singing sessions to Year 3's version of 'We will Rock you', during their class assembly- all uniquely melodious!

We are looking forward to the milliner /hatters creations for the Easter Bonnets next Friday morning.

Eid Mubarak to all our families celebrating today and over the weekend.

Enjoy time with your family everyone!

Children's Page

Tooting's Got Talent!

Kiara (Y5) is so creative with paper, her origami is outstanding! She made this beautiful flower for Mother's Day.

Ada and Jay (Y1) made these amazing windmills in the DT lesson

Owethu (Y2) made this fabulous *working* clock in Art Club!

WHAT'S THE SCOOP IN THE DISCOVERY ZONE

VOYAGER NEWS

Important information

Monday 23rd March 2026 - afternoon trip to the Polka Theatre!

This week in Voyager, we continued reading "The Train Ride" and completed picture activities by talking about what we could see writing, and sticking pictures. In Maths, we practised subitising up to 5 using different objects. In Science, we explored leaves and made leaf prints on paper using crayons.

GALAXY NEWS

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GALAXY CLASS COOK UP A STORM WITH CREATIVE WRAP CREATIONS!

This week, Galaxy Class have been busy in the kitchen once again—and what a fantastic time they had! Our young chefs rolled up their sleeves to create their very own favourite wraps, choosing delicious fillings and carefully assembling their creations. But the fun didn't stop there! After making their wraps, the children used shape cutters to create fun and imaginative designs, turning their food into edible works of art. From stars to hearts and more, their creativity truly shone through.

The class had a fabulous time both preparing and enjoying their wraps, showing great enthusiasm, teamwork, and independence throughout the activity. Well done to our amazing Galaxy Chefs for their hard work and creativity—we are very proud of you!

What's the scoop in RECEPTION?

Week 4

What a joyful sense of community and belonging we experienced on Tuesday as the children celebrated St Patrick's Day. There was a real buzz of excitement as they took part in fun maths activities, created special treats, and shared in learning about how celebrations take place in different parts of the world.

Sunshine, discoveries and lots of excitement this week! We found a ladybird and counted 5 spots! Was it a double? We'll never know!
We also explored pouring water, working together to build funnels and see how to make it flow faster or slower.

Little Explores Newsletter

This week in Lex, we have been having a fantastic time learning and exploring new ideas. In Maths, some of us have continued developing our understanding of subsidising and exchanging tokens for items, building confidence in practical problem-solving. Others have been focusing on consolidating their previous learning, strengthening key skills.

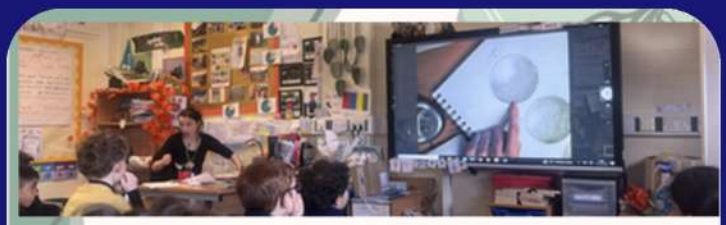
In English, we have continued our work on The Train Ride, using our imaginations to create sentences based on what we could see during the journey. It has been wonderful to see such creativity and enthusiasm in our writing.

ALL STAR TENNIS

The children in year 1 have been very lucky to have received coaching sessions from All Star Tennis over the past few weeks. We have been practicing developing hand eye coordination both with and without a racquet.

Y2 STEEL DRUM WORKSHOP

On Tuesday, Year 2 had a Steel drum workshop. We kicked off the morning with a Early Years and Key stage one assembly where we listened to the drum, had a sing along and learnt about the drum. Year 2 then had a workshop where they got to play the drums - they were very good!
Thank you for the TPA for funding !



Year 3 were joined by Robin's Mum, Cait, who shared her expertise in sketching as part of their learning in Art and Design. Both classes were treated to a live demonstration then had a chance to practise their skills of shading using charcoal pencils and special putty rubbers.
Thank you for your help!

Once again children in **Years 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**

Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
Eddie	Little Explorers	For showing great turn taking skills during playtime.
Miraj	Voyager	For making great improvements in focussing on his work and increasing the length of his attention span. Well done Miraj!
Donovan	Galaxy	For his dedication and determination in Maths especially in Maths.
Lena	Apollo	For her unstoppable focus and enthusiasm towards writing. Lena was excited to predict what would happen next in Little Red, it was stunning! She has also shown dedicated listening to all and sharing her wonderful ideas! Keep it up Lena!
Amelie	Mercury	Amelie has shown great enthusiasm this week when predicting what would happen next in our story Little Red. She has been engaged in our class discussions and has shared her amazing ideas with her friends. Keep it up!
Wren	Atlantis	This week we finished our diary entries, writing as Floella Benjamin from the story 'Coming to England'. Wren has worked really hard on the presentation of his work, and published his piece of writing beautifully. He included some thoughtful questions, which was great to see. I have been so pleased with the progress he is making! Well done, Wren!
Riya M	Enterprise	This week, Riya has blown us away with her resilience and commitment in English, especially when independently Fred Talking to write her prediction. She always enters our classroom with a wonderful, positive attitude and is a kind friend. Well done, Riya!
Jason	Endeavour	For sharing his ideas with the class, having a go and showing real resilience in his learning. Jason has responded well to feedback and has demonstrated a real can do attitude. Well done Jason!
Maxwell	Gemini	This week Maxwell has worked very hard on his independence producing a fantastic persuasive leaflet. He has shown resilience and has been listening to feedback and trying his best in all of his lessons. Keep up the good work Maxwell!

Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
Phoebe	Viking	For showcasing her acting skills during the year three production using facial expressions and gestures. Also for consistently showing kindness to all!
Finn	Jupiter	For excellent acting skills during the class performance. He showed bravery and took responsibility to learn his lines. We are very proud and enjoyed watching you perform!
Uri	Mariner	For showing excellent scientific skill when observing the different roles of our teeth and how each type has its own job. He
Arthur	Pioneer	For his excellent focus, creativity, and determination while building an impressive double helix DNA model during our trip to the Science Museum last Friday, Arthur is this week's Star of the Week! Well done!
Shaeleigh-Rae	Mir	I am incredibly proud of Shaeleigh-Rae and the wonderful example she sets for behaviour. During our school trip to the Natural History Museum, she demonstrated outstanding conduct and showed herself to be a fantastic ambassador for our school within the wider community. She consistently displays kindness, politeness, and respect towards others, both on trips and in the classroom. Shaeleigh-Rae is a truly positive role model for her peers, and we are very lucky to have her in our class.
Kiara	Selene	For her exemplary behaviour and attitude towards her learning on our trip to the Natural History Museum yesterday!
Charlotte Haniyah, Imani, Manal, Matilda, Alejandra and Thiya	Juno	We received such a lovely email from an external visitor about our wonderful librarians. They showed such kindness to a child in another class, when she played them a piece of music on their guitars. They applauded, listened attentively and gave genuine compliments. This act was called “kind and impressive” by the music teacher and how could we not give them a joint star award for that? What fantastic role models they are; they should be so very proud of themselves.
Hassan	Ariel	For the strong sense of maturity we have seen this term. Hassan in particular, has shone in his reading lessons. Hassan has been making insightful contributions and showing great focus and resilience.

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HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT:

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

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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!
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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 23rd	Shakespeare Week begins
Mon 23rd	Voyager to Polka Theatre 12:45 - 3:00 pm
Mon 23rd	Y4 to Tooting Woodland 1:30 -3:00 pm
Tue 24th	Parents' Evening 2:00 -6:00 pm
Thu 26th	Galaxy Eid & Easter craft afternoon-parents invited
Thu 26th	Purple Day - Epilepsy
Thu 26th	Year 1 Parent Assembly at 2:30 pm (Parents invited)
Thu 26th	MP - Golden League Football 4:00 - 6:00 pm
April	
Wed 1st	Inclusion drop-in 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Wed 15th	Inclusion drop-in 3:30 to 4:30 pm
Wed 22nd	Base and EYFS Incursion/performing arts workshop superheroes 9:00 -12:00 pm
Thu 23rd	Surrey Cricket Schools
Sun 26th	Sponsored Family Walk Colour/Run/Trail/Scavenger/Hunt (Tooting) 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
May	
Fri 1st	EFYS Disco 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Mon 11th	KS2 SATs
Fri 15th	International Food Fair "Snack Fest" 3:15 - 4:30 pm
Mon 18th	KS1 SATs
June	
Mon 8th	Phonics Screening Check Week
Mon 8th	Y5 Trip - Ragged School Museum
Fri 12th June	EYFS pupil and parent stay and play (new cohort) 9:30 - 11:15 am
Tue 16th	Class Photos
Wed	EYFS new parent information evening 6:00 -7:00 pm
Wed 17th	Y6 Trip - Go Ape
Thu 18th	Y1 Battersea Zoo Trip
Mon 22nd - Fri	Y6 Residential
Wed 24th	Y4 to the Polka Theatre Y5 Class Assembly 2:30 - 3:00 pm.
Mon 22nd - Fri	Diversity Week
Fri 12th	EYFS Stay and Play (new students) 9:30 - 11:15 am
Mon 29th - Fri	Sports Week
July	
Wed 1st	EYFS Sport Day - Main Playground 9:30 -11:15 am.
Friday 3rd	Year 1-6 Sports Day - Fishponds including Galaxy 10:00 12:30 am
Mond 6th	Discovery Zone Sports Day at school 1:30 - 2:15 pm (Voyager & Lex)
Wed 8th	Y6 Production Performance 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Wed 15th	EYFS Graduation 9:30 - 10:45 am
Wed 15th	Y6 Graduation and prom 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Mon 20th	Insert Day
Sun 25th	Lost or damaged books contributions