

TPS Newsletter

Friday 5th December



Attendance

This week we have seen an attendance rate of **92.6%** - we have had a high level of sickness at school this week.

The top 3 attendance this week:

 **Year 2 Endeavour = 97.7%**

Year 3 Viking = 95.7%

Y4 Mariner = 94.6%

Collection reminder

School finishes at 3:15pm. We understand that delays can happen; however, we kindly ask that you call/email the office if you are running late



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

Friday 12th December - Winter Performance Y3 & Y5 at Graveney School - doors open at 10:15am

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

Ms Wilson's Message

Dear TPS Families,
What fun we had in this morning's assembly. The staff put a Christmas jumper parade for the children.

The winning jumper was selected via rapturous chants from the children. Well done to Ms Kelly - Father Christmas!

We finally have our certificate for the PQSM (Science Award) see below.

Well done to Miss Burton, who received a lovely letter in recognition of all her hard work.



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!

THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER

COME TO SCHOOL IN YOUR FESTIVE JUMPER!



 Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day

December 2025

Dear Grace Burton

Congratulations to everyone in school on attaining the Primary Science Quality Mark. We hope the news has been shared widely and that you have celebrated this tremendous achievement.

While this is a whole school effort, we know that it is your hard work, drive and passion as science subject leader that has made this happen. PSQM is a rigorous process which is not undertaken lightly, and we have great admiration for your commitment to the programme. Completing this process will have given you a thorough understanding of an evaluative, reflective development cycle which we hope you can build on as a subject leader to further embed and develop good practice in primary science. Your school's Primary Science Quality Mark recognises how you have made a difference to your school by improving teaching and learning, as well as raising the profile of science and children's aspirations for STEM.

Many congratulations once again on all that you have achieved through the PSQM. We look forward to working with you again when you come to reaccredit.

Our very best wishes



Prof Anthony Woodman
Vice Chancellor
University of Hertfordshire

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Sign of the week



love

What's the scoop in Early Years?

Here's some pictures of our adventures this week



We made our crafts!



We made snowmen



We used playdough and Numicon to count



We made paper chains

WHAT'S THE SCOOP IN THE DISCOVERY ZONE



Little Explorers



This Week in the Little Explorers', in Science, we continued exploring minibeasts, with a special focus on bees. We learned about their importance and the incredible ways they help our world. The children also created their own bee plates, which will be proudly displayed in our classroom alongside our butterfly life cycle work.

In English, we have come to the end of writing our own versions of Handa's Surprise. The children have shown wonderful imagination and effort, and this will lead beautifully into showcasing their creative sides. We look forward to sharing the final outcomes of their masterpieces in next week's newsletter!

Voyager



The pupils in Voyager have had a wonderful, interactive week where they engaged in digital activities after their bucket time sessions in Phonics, English and Maths.

In English we extended our understanding of our emotions as we read "The Colour Monster goes to School. This helped the pupils familiarise and understand how we might feel during different periods and activities throughout the day.

We as a class have also been focussing our social story sessions on understanding personal space and boundaries. It would be great if you could continue to talk to your child at home so that this can be continuously reinforced.

Galaxy



This week, the children in Galaxy Class have thoroughly enjoyed diving into Gorilla by Julia Donaldson. They explored the relationships between the characters, discussing how they felt, how they changed, and what their actions told us about them. The class showed great curiosity as they compared characters and shared thoughtful ideas about friendships, misunderstandings, and the importance of kindness. They then used these insights to write their own descriptions and reflections, producing some wonderfully expressive work.

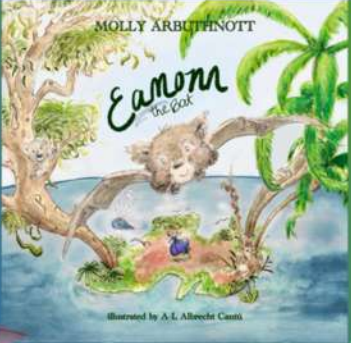
We're proud of how engaged and imaginative the children have been—well done, Galaxy Class!

Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
Eesa	Little Explorers	For independently identifying all 2D shapes.
Hassan	Voyager	For independently eating his yoghurts
Sufyan	Galaxy	This week, we are proud to celebrate Sufyan as our Star of the Week. Sufyan consistently demonstrates what it means to be a model student—he works hard, tries his very best in every task, and carries himself with the values that make our school community strong
Maya	Apollo	Maya tries her best everyday. She is kind and helpful to all and is so excited to learn every day. We're so proud of her learning in phonics and the progress she is making everyday!
Royal	Mercury	Royal has blown us away with his positive attitude towards learning and his determination when answering questions! He has been trying all the different activities in class and has used his maths skills in his play. We are so proud Royal!
Shelby	Atlantis	Shelby is always so enthusiastic about her learning, approaching her work with positivity and continuing resilience. She works hard to make others feel excited about their learning too. We have been so proud of her efforts this term! Well done, Shelby!
Malak	Enterprise	Malak has absolutely blown us away this week! She is showing great responsibility, offering to help around the classroom and being a kind friend. She has shown great resilience and determination with her writing and phonics this term which was so evident in her sentence about a naughty snowman! Well done, Malak!
Charles	Endeavour	Charles has worked incredibly hard on his phonics this half term and has shown fantastic progress! Your determination and motivation have really paid off. You should feel very proud of yourself — we certainly are! Keep up the brilliant work!
Dylan	Gemini	Dylan has worked incredibly hard in his English lessons this week and has shown outstanding resilience. He has been really focused on developing his independence, and it's been absolutely brilliant to see his confidence grow. Well done Dylan, your determination and positive attitude have truly shone this week!

Star of the Week!

Name	Class	Reason
Daniel	Viking	Daniel performed brilliantly this week during our song rehearsal for the KS2 Christmas Production. He stood out for his timely actions, projected singing voice and infectious enthusiasm. Looking forward to seeing him bring his 'King' character to life next week!
Finn	Jupiter	Finn has been showing great effort while contributing to our class performance. He tries to remember all of the actions when we are performing in class. He has been very resilient while completing his work in class and has independently created a fantastic elf to add to our door decoration. Keep it up Finn!
Minhaj	Mariner	Minhaj really impressed me this week with her determination and her resilience in her work. She worked independently and did so well with her writing! Well done Minhaj!
Tyrell	Pioneer	This week's Star has put a tremendous amount of effort into bringing Darrell the Disco Donkey to life! We can't wait to see you groove on down to Graveney next week, Tyrell!
Ronan	Mir	I am continually impressed with Ronan. He consistently meets school expectations by showing respect, kindness, and a genuine enthusiasm for learning. He is always polite and considerate, and he sets a fantastic example for his classmates. Ronan is truly a joy to have in the classroom.
Finley	Selene	Finley is like a Ninja in the classroom. Quietly making the right choices, listening and absorbing new information, consistently completing excellent standards of work in his independent tasks and contributing thoughtful answers to our class discussions. I am so proud of your behaviour, your attitude to learning and ability to just 'get on with it' without a fuss. Well done and thank you!
Donovan	Juno	Donovan has been showcasing his amazing acting, singing and dancing skills in the last few weeks, while we have been hard at work rehearsing for our winter performance. We know you will be just as blown away as we have been with his amazing performance! Watch out world, we have a new BAFTA-worthy winner in our midst!
Dylan	Ariel	Dylan has worked incredibly hard in english this week when planning his newspaper article. When collaboratively planning he demonstrated the school values by being respectful, resilient and kind. Well done Dylan, keep it up!



Come & meet
EAMONN THE BAT
WHEN HE FLIES INTO
TOOTING LIBRARY WITH THE
AUTHOR MOLLY ARBUTHNOTT

ENJOY AN INTERACTIVE
STORY SESSION WITH A
CHANCE TO BUY YOUR OWN
BOOK & GET IT SIGNED!



TOOTING LIBRARY Mon 8 /12 @ 4pm



WHAT'S ON AT TOOTING LIBRARY
DECEMBER

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER (at) 4.30PM
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
FESTIVE BABY RHYME TIME

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WIMBLEDON HUB WEDNESDAYS 6pm - 7pm Wimbledon High School, Mansel Road, SW19 4AB	LAMBETH HUB TUESDAYS 5pm - 6pm Black Prince, Beaufoy Walk, SE11 6AA	MERTHAM HUB WEDNESDAYS Age 5-11 6-6.45pm Age 12+ 6.45-7.45pm Lime Tree Primary School Bottlebridge Lane, Mersham KH11 3DS
SUTTON HUB WEDNESDAYS 4pm - 5pm The Change Foundation, Plough Lane, SM6 8JQ	GIRLS ONLY HUB Venue & time TBC - please contact Caroline Robinson for more info	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 Eastwood Leisure Centre Albert Drive, Sheerwater, Woking GU21 5RF

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Graveney Music Presents...



The Snowman with Live Orchestra

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

Book Online Now!

www.ticketsource.co.uk/graveney-music

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

5 December 2025

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



Only 14 sleeps until the end of term...

...but there's still time to raise even more cash!

Although the Autumn Term's events have now wrapped up, there's still plenty of opportunity to support the Tooting Primary Association (TPA) from the comfort of your own home. Whether you're doing a bit of festive shopping or simply going about your everyday purchases, you can still help raise valuable funds that make a real difference to our school community.

A HUGE Jingle Mingle thank you!

Thank you so much to everyone who made this year's Jingle Mingle such a success - whether you donated, volunteered or came along and spent generously. We're incredibly grateful for the time, energy and support our school community continues to give. Events like this simply wouldn't happen without you!

Stay connected!

Please make sure you're signed up to your year group's WhatsApp group so you don't miss any key updates. If you're not yet on the list, simply email parents@tootingprimary.org and they'll send you the link.

Employer matched fundraising

If your employer offers a matched fundraising scheme, please ask them to support any fundraising you do for the TPA including the Jingle Mingle.

To find out more email tpa@tootingprimary.org

Name it, claim it and fundraise with

easy2name

The school lost property box is bursting with un-named items!

Make sure to label EVERYTHING - from clothes and shoes to sports kits and water bottles - so your child's belongings can find their way home.

Order from www.easy2name.com and 20% will go to the TPA. Use the code: **FR-TOOTING-93**.



Tooting Primary School - London are registered to raise FREE funds with easyfundraising!

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

- 1 Download the easyfundraising app
- 2 Choose us 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)



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