



Tatworth
Primary School



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5th May 2023

Dear parents/carers and children,

Newsletter no 30 – Coronation Edition



Thank you to all the children, staff and volunteers in school today for a fabulous Coronation Day to remember! The children have made scones, presented themselves as the Union Jack and had a traditional picnic cream tea this afternoon. We ended our day with parents and carers joining us for our afternoon celebration assembly; it was lovely to celebrate with such a full hall of parent/carers. Thank you to everyone for their efforts. The children look fantastic today dressed in their red, white and blue. Special thanks to Mrs Garrett and Miss Roper & Ms Tahir for volunteering to help with the baking. Thank you to Mr Evans for photographing us.

Earlier this week, we held a memorable evening sharing our school curriculum with the children, parents and carers. It was lovely to see so many families come back to school for the evening and to meet some of the children and families joining us in September. I really hope you found the event informative and that it has given you a greater understanding of the teaching and learning taking place in school.



Coronation Competition

In honour of the Coronation, the School Council have also decided to run a **portrait competition** for the children to complete at home. **They would like everyone to create a portrait of King Charles.** The children can use whatever medium available and be as creative as they like. The only restriction is that it must be A4 and in portrait format. The closing date is Tuesday 9th May. The School Council will judge the pictures and prizes awarded to the best entries. These will be displayed in the school. Good luck and have fun!

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Timeline/Curriculum Evening



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Y4 Solar Farm Visit

Year 4 had a great trip to the Solar Farm at Cricket St. Thomas on Friday morning. It was provided free by a charity called Earth Energy. We met two lovely experts who explained clearly how we get energy from solar panels - what they are made of, how the light is gathered and then transformed into electricity. The children listened well and asked some great questions. We walked quite a long way around the site as it is the size of seven football pitches! The site contains 8976 solar panels (we counted a row, then multiplied it!) and supplies around 2.2MW of energy. Thankfully, we managed to avoid all the rain, but we did get a bit muddy and messy as there were lots of sheep wandering around the whole site. We noticed that there was evidence of a lot of wildlife around the solar panels but unfortunately it was a bit too overcast to see any butterflies that live there. The children are now keen to discuss the use of solar energy at Tatworth School!



Safeguarding: Please find attached - 10 Top Tips for Safely Using Smartwatches. Also, just a reminder that smart watches are not allowed in school. Thank you.

Y3 Art

Next week on Tuesday May 9th, Y3 (as part of their art planning) will be looking at and tasting dairy free ice cream with sugar cones. Please answer the questions on this form

<https://forms.gle/SJvnA4t5ajwG6tjM9> by Tuesday 9th May 1pm.

Attendance: Y5 are the attendance winners this week! This week our attendance is 96.47 %.

Thank you to everyone for coming to school unless they have a high temperature or poorly with sickness and diarrhoea.

Late into school: Any pupils arriving late at school need to be signed in at the office by parent/carers on arrival.

Whole School Year to date attendance

Sessions	Sept 2022 to date	%
Attendances	51513	95.59
Authorised Absences	2064	
Unauthorised Absences	314	
Possible attendance	53891	
Lates	278	



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Celebrations

TTRS –Y3 Well done!



Platinum Bags

Beech Class: Fergus and Cohen for excellent presentation and spellings in science.

Willow Class: Zephyr, Harper, Ziggy & Lanah for excellent work in 'What and where are volcanoes?'.

Behaviour for Learning Celebrations:

Acorn Class: Zack for working so hard to improve his writing and being brave to have a go. **Isla** for her incredible commitment to learning – Isla always tries her best.

Oak Class: George for always showing respect for others, the class and his own work. **Harry** for perseverance in his learning and a willingness to keep trying to achieve his best work.

Beech Class: Thea for fantastic focus in phonics. **Cohen** for working really hard in comprehension and always listening to advice.

Willow Class: Alex for contributing with confidence in writing this week. Keep it up Alex! **Marley** for super work in Maths – especially counting in 2's starting at 1! Great skills Marley, keep it up!

Hawthorn Class: William for passion for learning science. **Faith** for independent and confident learning in science.

Hazel Class: Kai R for excellent effort in writing. **Harrison** for putting significant effort into everything he does.

Yew Class: Bethany for taking responsibility for her learning, she always asks questions to check her understanding. **Frankie** for keeping positive and learning from any errors in her work .. with a smile on her face.

Vacancies:

Lunch time supervisor position

6.25 hrs per week (1.25 hrs per day 12:45-14.00, Monday to Friday). Term time only (38 weeks per year). We are looking for a reliable, conscientious person, able to be flexible and work as part of a team to assist with the supervision of students during the daily lunch break. A job description and information on the school can be accessed from our website

<https://www.tatworth.somerset.sch.uk/about-us/vacancies/>

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tracey Hart'.

Tracey Hart, Headteacher

Attachments:

10 Top Tips for Safely Using Smartwatches.

Wells Cathedral flyer

Chard Tennis Club flyer

Reminders:

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Phonics Book Amnesty

We are running short of our phonics books, so please do send these in if you have any home. Thank you.

Cycling to/from school. Please ensure that bikes are wheeled into school and not ridden on the path. Also, at the end of the day they should be wheeled out of school until meeting with parents.

Rocksteady Bands

Ryan from Rocksteady is offering a free taster session to any pupils who would like to try a session. Please email office@tatworthschool.co.uk if interested. Children will be slotted in before the end of term for a taster.

Free School Meals

With family/financial circumstances forever changing at the moment, please access the FSM application through the link below. It is easy to complete and will identify whether you are able to access them reasonably quickly.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/free-school-meals/>

If you have recently become unemployed but are still receiving Working Tax Credits, you may be entitled to free school meals. Please phone 0300 123 2224 for advice.

Dates:

Celebration assembly each Friday for anyone able to join us. Please enter school through the front office gate at 11.45 am and sign in at the office. It would be lovely to see more parents each week. Following on from Parent Forum, once a month, we will hold the assembly in the afternoon.

Monday 8th May - Bank holiday for the Coronation of King Charles III.

Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May 2023: KS2 SATs.

Class group 'Vista' photos for Reception and Year 6: 16th May.

Y4 Visit to Bristol Museum – Tuesday 16th May.

Friday 26th May: Inset day.

Book Worms Club - A reminder that on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes we run 'Book Worms' club in the Library. This is a great opportunity for your child to read with an older child or adult. Children can go to the library from 1.15 - 1.45 pm.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day will be on Thursday 22nd June 2023. There will be three separate events and parents/carers and younger pre-school siblings are welcome to join us on the school field during their children's races. All parents and carers are asked to enter the school field through the bottom field gate and sign in. Picnic blankets and chairs should be brought to sit on, as all families will be asked to sit in a designated area to the side of the races.

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- 9 am – 10.30 am Reception children and Years 1 and 2
- 11.15 am – 12.30 pm Years 3 and 4
- 2.15 pm – 3.30 pm Years 5 and 6

At the end of each session, we ask that all parents and carers leave the school field via the bottom field gate as the rest of the school will be on the field for play time and lunch time. The gates will be re-opened at the start of each Sports Day session, at designated times. **All parents and carers need to access Sports Day via the bottom field gate and sign in.** Thank you.

The children will run in their houses: Joslin (red), Brewer (blue), Stonham (yellow) and Langdon (green) and we encourage them to wear a t-shirt to school on this day in their house colour, along with their black PE kit shorts.

Residential Visits

- **Y3/4 Magdalen Residential 5th & 6th October 2023 – for present Y2/3 children. – details to follow soon.**

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