

Towngate Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

10/09/2021

ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Firstly, let me welcome you all back to school and I hope that we are all looking forward to an exciting new school year! It has been wonderful to see all the children back in school and in their classrooms. Everyone seems to have settled into their new classes and getting used to the new routine quickly.

Inset Days

Inset days for this school year are Monday 28th February 2022 and Thursday 5th May 2022.

Uniform expectations

Clothing & Shoes	PE kit
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A navy blue jumper or cardigan• A white polo / formal white shirt• Grey or black trousers, shorts, skirt or a pinafore dress• Blue and white check summer dress• Black, grey or white socks• Grey, black or white tights• Plain black shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trainers• Black / navy shorts• A plain white t-shirt• Plain navy jogging bottoms (outdoor only)• Plain navy jumper / zip up jumper (outdoor only)

Free School Meals

A FSM form will be sent out for parents and carers on Monday to complete: we encourage parents to complete and return this form as many different circumstances are considered when allocating Free School Meals.

PTA

Please note that the first meeting and AGM is being held on Tuesday at 3:15pm and we would love to see new faces if you can attend.



Meet the Teacher – Teams Meetings

Meet the Teacher meetings will take place on the following dates, please note that we will use the email addresses we have on file currently, if you would like to attend but using a different email address, please telephone the office to inform us. Please don't worry if you are unable to attend the meetings, they will be recorded and available to view.

Class	Day	Time
F1 - Nursery – Miss Haigh	Wednesday 15 th September 2021	3:30pm
F2 – Reception – Mrs Kimbley	Tuesday 14 th September 2021	3:30pm
Year 1 – Miss Lockett	Wednesday 15 th September 2021	4:00pm
Year 2 – Mrs Davies	Tuesday 14 th September 2021	4:00pm
Year 3 – Mr Hellam	Thursday 16 th September 2021	3:30pm
Year 4A – Mrs Wolstenholme	Wednesday 15 th September 2021	3:30pm
Year 4B – Mrs Schofield	Wednesday 15 th September 2021	3:30pm
Year 5 – Mr Adlington	Thursday 16 th September 2021	3:30pm
Year 5/6 – Mrs Bateman	Friday 17 th September 2021	4:00pm
Year 6 – Mrs Poole	Wednesday 15 th September 2021	3:45pm
Pastoral Team – Mrs Johnson, Miss Chapman, Miss Sharpe This is a drop-in session for anybody that would like to find out more about our Pastoral Team and support available. Please confirm with the office if you would like to join the meeting.	Friday 17 th September 2021	3:30pm

Stars of the Week

Well done to our fantastic stars of the week who have been celebrated during our Celebration Assembly in school. Your hard work and determination this week has been noticed by your teachers – we are very proud of you!

Class	Name
F1 - Nursery	The Whole Class
F2 – Reception	The Whole Class
Year 1	Peyton J & Kyrena R
Year 2	Eva E & A Stead
Year 3	Isabelle A & Kenny H
Year 4A	Thomas C & Eva A
Year 4B	Isla S & Georgina H
Year 5	L Parker & A Johnson
Year 5/6	Myles H & Aila R
Year 6	Kieron M & Emilio B

Attendance:

This week's whole school attendance is 95.06%

We hope you have a wonderful weekend and look forward to another week spent learning alongside each and every one of our pupils.

Mrs A Berry and Mrs L Poole

Headteacher & Deputy Headteacher
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What's been going on in school this week?

Early Years – Foundation 1 (Nursery)

Welcome back Nursery and welcome to our new starters, the children have settled in extremely well this week, we have had lots of smile and lots of fun. Our topic this term is ourselves and the children have thoroughly enjoyed adding play-dough features and role playing the Three Little Pigs story. We hope you have a lovely rest this weekend ready for another fun filled week of learning.

Miss Haigh & Mrs Gordon

Early Years – Foundation 2 (Reception)

Welcome to F2, we hope you and your child have enjoyed your first week at school. We are all very proud of all the children and how well they are settling into their new routines. The children have been very busy finding out about their new environment, working within our continuous provision and making new friendships.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and we are looking forward to seeing you next week.

Mrs Kimbley, Mrs Allen & Mrs Middleton

Key Stage 1 – Year 1

In Year 1, Miss Lockett and Miss Kilbride have been overwhelmed at how well the children have settled back into school. They are already using our core values to help them in their independent learning both in the indoor and outdoor environment. We have made a start on our topic work about meerkats and the children have really enjoyed using their imagination in the small world.

A fantastic start to year one, well done!

Miss Lockett & Miss Kilbride

Key Stage 1 – Year 2

What a wonderful first week back we have had! Myself and Mrs Thackrah are blown away at how amazingly the children have settled back in to school and how eager to learn they are. They have already written a beautiful recount telling us all about their summer holidays! We have started our science topic, looking at different animals in the wild and used out art skills to draw some detailed animal pictures. Well done year 2, we are so proud of you!

Mrs Davies & Mrs Thackrah

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 3

This week in Year 3 the children have come back to school and enjoyed some exciting lessons. On Wednesday we used the Djembe drums to create and play our own rhythms and some people even played a solo. We used different call and responses which involves someone playing a rhythm and then the rest of the children responding with the same rhythm. On Thursday we were very luck to have Liquidance in school to help us with our PE. The children enjoyed doing different stretches and actions before playing badminton outside on the field. Finally on Friday afternoon the children enjoyed our first history lesson where we became archaeologists and used real brushes to dig through crates of sand as we looked for interesting information about the past. What a super return to school year 3. Well done everyone and have a wonderful weekend!

Mr Hellam & Mrs Hanley

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 4A

4a have had a fantastic first week I have bene amazed with how amazing their behaviour and effort in their work as has been. We have already been super busy starting our place value in maths and looking at thousands! We got to be archaeologists and history and carefully find and put back together a hieroglyphic slate. We have started our new English book and are excited to see what happens to our main character Nakht when he moves to a big city in Egypt. Keep up the hard work 4a I am so impressed.

Mrs Wolstenholme & Miss Pamment

Lower Key Stage 2 – Year 4B

We have had a wonderful start to our new year in 4b. I am amazed how the children have settled into their new class and how hard they have worked. In maths, we are learning Place Value, thousands, hundreds, tens and ones and in English, we have been recapping our knowledge of adverbs. In History, we began our brand new topic 'The Egyptians'. We looked at the timeline and where the Egyptians appeared n relation to the Romans and The Stone Age. Well done for a super first week!

Mrs Schofield & Mrs Bailey



Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 5

This week in year 5, we have really enjoyed meeting our new classmates and getting to know the adults in our class! We have welcomed our new member to our team, Mrs Adamson, and are really looking forward to working together over the coming academic year. In maths, we have studied place value and rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1,000. In English, we have introduced our new class book - Wonder - which details the life of a boy living with Treacher Collins syndrome and the challenges he faces as he joins a new school. We really enjoyed reading the first chapter and had a great discussion about what it might be like to feel so different in everyday life. In PE, we have developed our ability to play a forehand shot over the net and discussed the characteristics of net and wall games. In art, we have evaluated the work of Brazilian born graffiti artist, Eduardo Kobra. Everyone in year 5 has tried so hard this week and have really displayed the CORE values of the school!

Mr Adlington & Mrs Adamson

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 5 /6

We are thrilled to welcome back Class 5/6 this week and were delighted to see their smiling faces and positive attitudes on Wednesday! This week, we have spent time getting to know one another and we are getting very excited about everything that Upper Key Stage Two has to offer. We have enjoyed beginning our new class novel 'Wonder' and have already been busy exploring the different character's personalities. We have particularly enjoyed our PE sessions this week and the launch of our new Geography topic on slums! We can't wait to see everything that next week has in store.

Well done everyone - we are so proud of you.

Mrs Bateman & Mrs Johnson

Upper Key Stage 2 – Year 6

What an amazing first few days back we have had in Year 6! I have been so impressed with the attitudes and optimism of our new Year 6 children and cannot wait to see what this year will bring!

This week, we have spent time exploring our new 'CORE four' academy values (compassion, ownership, resilience and excellence), started our new class novel, Wonder and threw ourselves into our PE sessions where we learnt new skills in badminton and dance.

I'm so proud to have each and every one of you in my class this year - with a start like this, what a year we will have in store!

Mrs Poole, Mrs Drury & Mrs Harvey



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2021-2022 School Calendar

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August 2022						
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- Bank Holidays
- School Holidays
- INSET Days
- Closure Day for Building Work
- Nursery Closure Dates for Home Visits

