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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to our final half term of this academic year; we hope you enjoyed the half term break.

It has been a delight to see the children return to school for what is set to be a half term full of excitement, opportunities and making memories. This week has seen our Year 4 children take their Multiplication Check, showing confidence and enjoyment in the process. Our Year 1 children took part in the annual Year 1 Phonics Screening Check, where they demonstrated their reading skills: thank you to parents and carers for supporting the learning journeys of the children each and every day.

Year 6 Bikeability

One of our Towngate Promises to our Year 6s is that they will have the opportunity to learn how to ride a bike – and even take a trip around the local area – by the time they leave us in July. Cycling is a fantastic mode of transport that many children enjoy and use when they transition to high school. The Bikeability team took all participating children through various activities and drills in order to ensure they are safe to travel on the roads by bicycle. Well done to all who took part! Please can we ensure all children wear safety helmets when out on bikes & scooters to ensure

Nursery visit

Our youngest children in the Towngate troop went on their first ever educational visit: this time to Swithens Farm. The children were able to spend the day learning about many different animals, feeding them and spending time in the great outdoors! Thank you to all staff who made this a day to remember for our Nursery children.

Reception: new starters meeting

Thank you to parents and carers who attended our 'new starters meeting' this week. We hope this session was informative and provided the relevant information in order to support your children in their first steps of schooling. We look forward to working in partnership over the coming months.

PTA Non-Uniform

Today was our PTA non-uniform day in return for donations of sweets (EY/KS1) and bottles (KS2) for our annual summer gala. Keep your diaries free to join us on **Saturday 21st June from 10am-2pm** to enjoy our community event, where we come together to play games, visit stalls, enjoy refreshments and socialise in the name of raising funds for our wonderful school. We look forward to seeing you there!



What are we reading?

This week Mrs Perkins is enjoying reading *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* written by Michael Rosen & Helen Oxenbury, follow a father and his family as they go out in search of a bear. They wade through the grass, splash through the river, squelch through the mud and even negotiate a snowstorm on their way. But what will await them in the cave on the other side of the dark forest?



Curriculum Spotlight

In order for parents and carers to gain a deeper understanding of the curriculum across school, we wish to place a spotlight on a curriculum area within each newsletter. This week, our spotlight is firmly placed on **Mrs Davies — our history leader**. At Towngate Primary Academy, our history curriculum is designed to inspire curiosity and ignite a lifelong interest in the past. We encourage children to ask questions, think critically, and explore significant events and individuals who have shaped the world we live in today. Through engaging lessons, hands-on experiences, and meaningful discussions, we help pupils develop a strong sense of chronology and an understanding of how history influences our lives, communities, and values. By connecting the past to the present, we prepare our children to become thoughtful, informed individuals with a deeper appreciation of the world around them.



Pupil Achievements

Attendance

Our attendance is 96.09% this week, well done everyone! A particular well done must go to Year 5 who achieved 100% attendance this week. We have had 18 children late to school this week — let's all continue to work together in our mission to arrive in school on time!

Core Awards

	Compassion	Ownership	Resilience	Excellence
Year 3	Arlo	Joseph	Kennedy	Emma
Year 3/4	Pippa	Imaya	Oliver	Jaxon
Year 4	Andrea	Mia	Kody	Ivy
Year 5	Darren	Robbie	Harrison	Ruby
Year 5/6	Sarah	Jake	Ben	Imogen
Year 6	Will	Thea	Daniel	Seb



'Peak of the Week'



Nursery

We have had an amazing week this week in the run up to our trip. The children yesterday were a real credit to our school, they thoroughly enjoyed the day and were so well behaved. Well done everyone we are so proud of you!

Miss Haigh/Mrs Gordon,

Reception

Reception have been waiting patiently to release our class butterflies! This week they have all hatched and were ready to leave to find new homes. We enjoyed watching them explore before flying away.

Mrs Davies/Mrs Gillen & Mrs Phillips

Year 1

The 'Peak of the Week' in Year 1 is for our math work. We have been telling the time using vocabulary such as 'o'clock' and 'half past'. This week pupils compared units of time such as seconds, minutes and hours. Fantastic work!

Mrs Briggs

Year 1/2

Our peak of the week in Year 1/2 has been utilising atlases to explore the seas surrounding the United Kingdom. We were excellent Geographers!

Miss Wilson

Year 2

This week Year 2 have enjoyed using our creative language to write a descriptive passage about a seaside village. Our writing was inspired by our new class text, The Baker by the Sea. All the children worked hard to imagine what they could hear, see and smell in the village. Super writing everyone.

Mrs Kimbley

Year 3

We have had a fantastic first week back this week in Year 3! Our peak this week is our Science lesson, we created a string telephone then took these outdoors to investigate how sounds travel over distance.

Miss Riley

Year 3/4

Our highlight this week has been having everyone back together after the half term break. Everyone has settled back into school life excellently and we have already been working extremely hard!

Mr Adlington



Year 4

Our peak of the week has been our first Forest Schools session, where the children explored our outdoor area and were creative with different materials. We are looking forward to these weekly sessions!

Mrs Perkins/Mrs Davies

Year 5

In Year 5 our 'Peak of the week' has been our first forest school lesson. This week we used hammers and nails to create a Father's Day gift as well as climbing trees.

Miss Rawson

Year 5/6

This week in Y5/6, our brilliant Year 6 pupils have tackled some seriously tricky ratio problems with focus and determination – showing real perseverance and teamwork. We're also incredibly proud of our Year 5s, who are making fantastic progress mastering the skill of multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1,000. Their confidence is growing by the day – well done, mathematicians!

Mr Tyrrell

Year 6

This week, whilst we took turns to go on our Bikeability sessions, in English we used a film narrative as a stimulus for our writing in Year 6. We discovered how suspense and tension are created through film animation, before planning our own versions of 'Francis' to narrate over the top of the film itself. Well done everyone for some brilliant work this week!

Mrs Poole



Please see below dates for the next academic year, dates highlighted in yellow are open to parents and carers.

If any dates change, we endeavour to give as much notice as possible!

Summer Term

Date	Event	Class
13.6.25	Non-uniform day for Summer Gala	Whole School
16.6.25	Refugee Week	Whole School
16.6.24	Year 6 Class assembly 2:30pm	All Year 6
21.6.25	Summer Gala 10am-2pm	All Welcome
26.6.25	Year 5 Camping Trip	All Year 5
3.7.25	Sports Day - EY: 9:00am KSI: 10:30am LKS2: 1:00pm UKS2: 2:00pm	Whole School
7.7.25	Transition Morning	Whole School
11.7.25	Transition Morning	Whole School
14.7.25	French Day	Whole School
14.7.25	Year 6 Residential	All Year 6
15.7.25	EY Graduation 2:30pm	Early Years
17.7.25	Y2 Graduation 2:30pm	Year 2
23.7.25	Year 6 Leavers Fest	All Year 6
24.7.25	Towngate's Got Talent	Whole School
25.7.25	Y6 Leaver's Assembly 2:00pm	Year 6
25.7.25	Break Up Today	Whole School



Spring Summer
2025
28/04/25, 19/05/25,
09/06/25, 30/06/25,
21/07/25, 11/08/25,
01/09/25, 22/09/25,
13/10/25

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Beef
Bolognese
Pasta

BBQ Chicken
Wraps and
Paprika Wedges

Roast Gammon,
Skin on Roasties
and Gravy

Sausage and Mash
with Gravy

Battered Fish
and Chips



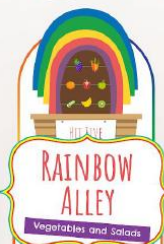
Veggie
Bolognese
Pasta

BBQ Veggie
Wrap and
Paprika Wedges

Maple Roasted
Sweet Potato Filo
Pie with Skin on
Roasties

Veggie Sausage
and Mash

Cheese and Onion
Burger
with Chips



Sweetcorn
and Peas

Green Beans

Mixed Greens

Carrots and
Green Beans

Baked
Beans



Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

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Jam Sponge
and Custard

Watermelon
Wedge

Oaty
Cornflake
Crunch Bar

Apple Sponge
Pudding

Vanilla
Cookie



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