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Dear parents and carers,

Breakfast Club, Afterschool Club and Holiday Club

We would like to make you aware of some changes coming into place from August 2025 with regards to booking and making payments for Breakfast Club, Afterschool Club and Holiday Club.

As of the beginning of August, you will need to have a sufficient credit balance on your account to be able to book sessions for the above wraparound clubs. The only exception to this is if you pay by childcare vouchers or tax-free childcare as we are aware that there is sometimes a delay in these payments being processed. We do however, ask that you ensure your accounts are as up to date as possible or we may need to stop access to the clubs until the account is cleared. If you do pay by childcare vouchers or tax-free childcare then please contact the office to make us aware of this so that we can amend your account to reflect this.

Snapchat

We wish to draw parents/carers attention to the popular app Snapchat. Snapchat is a communication service popular among teens and adults. Users can take photos, record videos, add text or drawings (called Snaps) and send them to friends. We are aware of an increasing number of pupils using the app and would therefore like to signpost the following information, summarised below:

- Like many other social network and messaging apps, **the minimum age to use Snapchat is 13.**
- Children using social media underage do face additional risks online.
- Images sent disappear after the recipients view it, or within 24 hours. The app automatically deletes the snap from its servers unless the users save the content

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/apps-and-platforms/social-media/snapchat/>

We appreciate parents/carers support in managing and monitoring devices at home in order to keep all children online.

Summer Gala

Tomorrow we are excited to open our doors for our annual Towngate Summer Gala. As always, our dedicated PTA have worked hard behind the scenes to put in place what I'm sure will be a fantastic day. We are conscious of the predicted weather and therefore there will be water stations set up and the hall will remain open to enable the opportunity to seek some shade. Whilst the gala is set to be open from 10am – 2pm, should the heat become too hot, we may make the decision to bring the end time forward in the interest of staff, parents and children visiting. We hope to see you there and look forward to celebrating and bringing our community together!

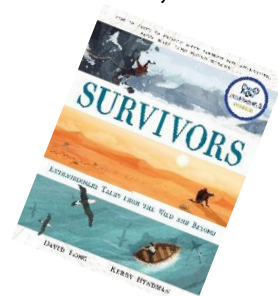


Email change

To make you aware, tga-enquiries@ipmat.co.uk will be changing from the 23rd June 2025 to tga-enquiries@inspirepartnership.org.uk all emails will be able to be received through the new email address.

What are we reading?

This week Mrs Whitaker and her son are enjoying reading *Survivors* by David Long and Kerry Hyndman. This is a book of real stories about survival and adventure and includes some very courageous and inspirational people.



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 Briggs — our music leader** at Towngate Primary Academy.



Our music curriculum is designed to inspire creativity and foster a lifelong appreciation for music. We encourage children to listen actively, explore different genres and cultures, and express themselves through singing, playing instruments, and composing. Through engaging lessons, practical activities, and collaborative performances, we help pupils develop their musical skills, understanding, and confidence. In addition to curriculum music, we offer opportunities such as Rock Steady, where pupils can learn to play instruments and perform in a band, as well as music clubs and weekly singing assemblies that bring the whole school together in joyful celebration.

Pupil Achievements

Attendance

Our attendance is 96.82% this week; well done everyone! A particular well done must go to Year 2 who achieved 100% attendance this week. We have had 12 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
Reception — explorer	Talisha	Olivia	Mia	Vivian
Reception — adventure	Isabella	Jax	Rhys	Willow
Year 1	Oscar	Freya Rose	Louie	Grace
Year 1/2	Freddie	Oliver	Eliza	Avah
Year 2	Emily	Eligh	Emilie	Jorgie



'Peak of the Week'



Nursery

This week, the children have been learning about the story "A Squash and a Squeeze." We have been exploring the plot and discussing why the Wise Old Man advised the woman to bring in more animals. Everyone has worked really hard to practice our counting skills by matching numerals to quantities. Great job, everyone!

Miss Haigh/Mrs Gordon,

Reception

This week Reception have been super busy rehearsing for the Towngate's Got Talent auditions. We have had singing, dancing, gymnastics and football skills. We have lots of talent so showcase when the time comes!

Mrs Davies/Mrs Gillen & Mrs Phillips

Year 1

Our peak of the week is for our science work. We started to make interesting predictions about our investigation- Which pot of seeds will grow best? Pupils used scientific vocabulary to reason which would grow best under specific conditions. Well done Year 1!

Mrs Briggs

Year 1/2

Our peak of the week in Year 1/2 has been our wonderful maths work. We have started our 'length and height' unit and we have launched this by measuring in centimetres.

Miss Wilson

Year 2

This week Y2 visited Skipton Castle. I am so proud of how the children behaved throughout the day; they were excellent! The children had lots of questions, and they all listened very carefully to the adults who were leading our tour of the castle. We had a wonderful day. Well done everyone!

Mrs Kimbley

Year 3

Our peak of the week in Year 3 this week is our English work, we have thoroughly enjoyed delving deeper into our core text of the half-term, 'The Wizard of Oz'.

Miss Riley

Year 3/4

This week, our highlight has been our art lesson where we experimented with air dry clay. We explored making simple shapes and textures with the clay.

Mr Adlington



Year 4

Our peak of the week has been our science lesson, where we measured the noise levels of different areas in our school. We used the iPads to measure the level of noise using decibels.

Mrs Perkins/Mrs Davies

Year 5

In Year 5 our 'peak of the week' has been our English lessons. We have been creating some fantastic ideas and beginning to write our suspense narrative!

Miss Rawson

Year 5/6

Our peak in Y5/6 this week has been just our general all-round determination and perseverance with the hot weather. It hasn't been easy to focus on our learning during this heat wave, but the resilience of the children to crack on with things has been wonderful to see! In particular, our History lesson this week was full of thoughtful discussions and critical thinking, all whilst tackling the baking hot heat!

Mr Tyrrell

Year 6

This week, our peak has been the development of our writing as we retold the film narrative, Francis. The children have taken a paragraph-by-paragraph approach to describe setting, mood and atmosphere. Well done Year 6, I can't wait to hear your writing in the coming days.

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
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
24.7.25	Y6 Water Fight	Year 6
25.7.25	Y6 Leaver's Assembly 2:00pm	Year 6
25.7.25	Break Up Today	Whole School



LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL

Week 3

Spring Summer
2025
05/05/25, 26/05/25,
16/06/25, 07/07/25,
28/07/25, 18/08/25,
08/09/25, 29/09/25,
20/10/25

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



BBQ Sweetcorn
Pizza Slice
with Wedges



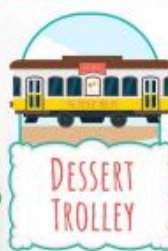
Macaroni
Cheese



Green Salad



Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo



Strawberry
Frozen
Yoghurt



Cheesy Meatball
Bake Topped with
Mash

Veggie
Shepherdless
Pie

Green Beans

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Coconut
Cookie

Roast Chicken,
Stuffing, Skin on
Roasties and Gravy

Cheese and
Potato Pie
with Skin on
Roasties

Carrots
and Peas

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Peach and
Pineapple
Jelly

Lasagne

Vegetable
Ratatouille
with Rice

Sweetcorn

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Toffee Apple
Crumble
and Custard

Golden Fish
Fingers
and Chips

Vegetable Fingers
and Chips

Baked
Beans

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Brookie
(Brownie &
Cookie Mix)



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