

TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK! A WORD FROM MRS BERRY, MR ADLINGTON & MRS EDWARDS:

It is with immense gratitude that we announce the retirement of the lovely Mrs Kimbley after an incredible 32 years of dedicated teaching at Towngate. Her kind and loving nature has touched the lives of countless families over the decades, and she leaves behind a truly positive and lasting impact on our entire school community. We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the children, parents, and staff who came together to give her such a wonderful and memorable send-off. While her warm presence will be dearly missed in our classrooms, we wish her all the health and happiness in the world for her well-deserved retirement!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

A friendly reminder to all parents and carers that Towngate Primary Academy is a **strictly nut-free school**. To ensure the safety of all our students—some of whom have severe, life-threatening allergies—please do not send your child to school with any food items containing nuts. This includes peanut butter, Nutella, and certain granola bars. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our community safe!

CLUB SPOTLIGHT

We are excited to announce that our range of free extra-curricular clubs for the upcoming term is now available for booking!

Clubs are scheduled to begin the week commencing Monday, 20th April. We have a fantastic variety of options running both during the lunch hour and after school to ensure there is something for everyone.

All bookings will be live on Arbor To secure your child's place

We highly recommend booking early to avoid disappointment, as our popular clubs tend to fill up quickly!

UPCOMING EVENTS

27.03.26	Break up today	All school
13.04.26	Return to school	All school
27.04.26	Parents evening 3.00 -6.00pm	All school
29.04.26	Parents evening 3.00- 6.00pm	All school
11.05.26	KS2 SATs Week	All year 6 pupils
22.05.26	INSET DAY	Whole school
25.05.26	School Holiday	Whole school
08.06.26	Return to school	Whole school

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

When I was asked to write a short piece for the newsletter about myself, I thought that it was a perfect opportunity to thank everyone who has taken the time to speak to me over the past few weeks and for the kindness I have been shown.

Towngate has been a huge part of my life for the past 32 and a half years and it has meant so much to me. When I first walked through the entrance doors on my first visit, I knew Towngate was a school I would enjoy working at. I feel very privileged to have been able to teach such wonderful children over the years and to be a small part of their school journey.

I want to thank everyone I have worked with for their support, the children for making my job so unique and special every day, and the parents for being there to work alongside each and every year.

Finally, I will miss Towngate very much and it will always have a special place in my heart. I would like to end by wishing you all peace, happiness and every success for the future.

Thank you
Mrs Kimbley.

PARENT CORNER

Our attendance target is 97%, let's take a look at the attendance each class has achieved this week.

Nursery	93.91%	Year 3	97.14%
Reception	96.21%	Year 3/4	95.71%
Year 1	97.01%	Year 4	93.93%
Year 1/2	97.67%	Year 5	95.42%
Year 2	96.07%	Year 5/6	93.45%
		Year 6	94.8%

PEAKS OF THE WEEK

EYFS

Reception have been busy exploring Easter. We have sung Easter songs, visited the fair, created Easter cards and nest buns and even had a visit from the Easter bunny!

KS1

Our highlight this week was our heartfelt farewell assembly for Mrs Kimbley. While it was an emotional occasion for both pupils and staff, it was also a moment of great pride. The children performed a special song dedicated to Mrs Kimbley celebrating the kindness, passion, and dedication she has shown throughout her many years of teaching. It was a truly memorable send-off for a much-loved member of our school community.

LKS2

In LKS2 our peak of the week has been our science lesson. In Science this week, our class dived into the physics of **pitch** to discover what makes sounds high or low. We conducted an investigation to see how the length of an object—such as a ruler or a taut string—directly impacts the sound it produces. Through our experiments, we observed that shorter objects vibrate much faster, creating a higher pitch, while longer objects vibrate more slowly, resulting in a deeper, lower tone. It was a "sound" success that turned our classroom into a symphony of scientific discovery!

UKS2

The UKS2 team have been incredibly moved by the resilience and dedicated effort our Year 6 pupils have shown this week as they continue to work through their SATs practice with such a positive and determined mindset!

Well, done!


EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER: **MRS ANNABEL BERRY**

HEAD OF SCHOOL: **MRS LAURA POOLE**

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