

TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK!

A WORD FROM MRS BERRY, MR ADLINGTON & MRS EDWARDS:

What a wonderful week it has been here at school! The halls have been buzzing with energy, and it has been a joy to see so many smiling faces engaged in their learning. A massive well done to our Key Stage 1 gymnasts who took part in their special event with Miss Layton this week. You all demonstrated incredible focus and skill, and we can safely say you did the school proud!

Important Safety Reminder

To keep our community safe, please remember that the school carpark is for staff vehicles only. * No parent or visitor cars should enter the carpark at any time.

It is extremely dangerous to walk through the carpark area, especially during drop-off and pick-up.

Please use the designated pedestrian gates to ensure everyone stays safe. Thank you for your cooperation!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

To ensure the safety of our pupils with life-threatening allergies, our school is a **strictly nut-free zone**. Exposure to even trace amounts of peanuts can cause severe medical emergencies. We recommend checking labels on granola bars, spreads, and treats. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our environment safe and inclusive for every child.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT

We are absolutely thrilled to share the latest update on our **Young Voices** club! The enthusiasm and energy we are seeing each week are truly inspiring. Our young voices club takes place **every Monday after school**, and it has quickly become one of the highlights of our week. The singers are now well and truly into the swing of learning all the fantastic new songs. From upbeat pop hits to beautiful harmonies, the children are working incredibly hard, and their dedication is really starting to shine through. **It is** truly a magical evening for all the **children, staff, and parents** involved. Seeing the sheer joy on the children's faces as they sing together and support one another is a wonderful reminder of the power of music.

UPCOMING EVENTS

11.05.26	KS2 SATs Week	All year 6 pupils
18.05.26	Class photograph	All pupils
22.05.26	INSET DAY	Whole school
25.05.26	School Holiday	Whole school
08.06.26	Return to school	Whole school
08.06.26	Reception trip to Tropical World	All reception children
19.06.26	Non uniform for summer gala	Whole school

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Mrs Whitaker joined Towngate Primary Academy as the School Business Officer in January 2020 having worked for Inspire Trust since 2015. She tells us that she loves the variety of her role in school and that no day looks the same! At home she has two sons and a husband and she enjoys reading, listening to music, gardening, holidays and catching up with friends and family over a nice cuppa!

PARENT CORNER

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

Nursery	94.91%	Year 3	98.57%
Reception	98.93%	Year 3/4	99.29%
Year 1	99.63%	Year 4	97.5%
Year 1/2	95.73%	Year 5	99.23%
Year 2	95.24%	Year 5/6	90.69%
		Year 6	100%

Star Of the Week

Reception	Gurmeher
Year 1	Elianah
Year 1/2	Isaac
Year 2	Avah

PEAKS OF THE WEEK

EYFS

In Nursery this week we have been looking at the life cycle of a plant, the children have been learning the different parts of a plant and have even planted their own seed! In phonics this week the children have been learning the sounds 't, i, n and p' they are doing amazing!

KS1

This week, the children have shown fantastic progress in our money unit, focusing on the practical skills of calculating totals and finding change. It was a pleasure to see them apply their mental addition and subtraction strategies to solve real-life financial problems with increasing confidence.

LKS2

In LKS2 our Peak of the week has been our science lesson. This week, our budding scientists dived into the world of botany to discover exactly what plants need to thrive. We learned that while every plant is unique, they all share a "must-have" checklist: **light, water, air, nutrients, and room to grow**. To put our knowledge to the test, we launched an exciting experiment in the classroom! We've started growing our own **criss seeds** under different conditions to see first-hand how these factors affect their development. Be sure to ask your young scientists about their predictions—we can't wait to see whose criss reaches the finish line first!

UKS2

UKS2 reached a real peak of historical enquiry this week, demonstrating impressive critical thinking as they investigated the complex social and political reasons why Winston Churchill lost his seat as Prime Minister shortly after the conclusion of World War 2. Well, done, historians!

EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER: **MRS ANNABEL BERRY**

HEAD OF SCHOOL: **MRS LAURA POOLE**

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