

TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK!

A WORD FROM OUR SENIOR LEADERSHIP:

What a truly remarkable and jam-packed week it has been here at school! As we approach the end of the academic year, this week has perfectly captured the spirit, determination, and community heart that makes our school so special.

Our Year 5 children took over the school field this week for an unforgettable camping adventure. They threw themselves into a variety of brilliant teamwork activities and faced some truly unique challenges—including testing their bravery by eating bugs! This week also saw the release of our Year 6 SATs results. Our Year 6 pupils have worked incredibly hard throughout the year, and these results are a testament to their dedication. We would also like to extend a massive thank you to our parents and carers; your unwavering support at home has been instrumental in allowing the children to succeed and reach their full potential.



Preparation for the next academic year was well underway as we held our transition days. The children spent some valuable time meeting their new teachers and settling into their upcoming classrooms. It was also a fantastic opportunity to welcome some wonderful new additions to our teaching staff, who are all incredibly excited to join our school community in September.

The nursery was buzzing with pure joy and uncontrollable excitement today as we welcomed some very special community heroes—the local police officers! From the moment the flashing blue lights arrived, the children's eyes lit up with absolute wonder and delight. They were completely overjoyed to see the uniform up close, eagerly taking turns to sit in the driver's seat of the police car, try on the big officer hats, and listen to the thrilling, gentle chirp of the siren. It was a magical hands-on experience that had our little one's giggling, cheering, and chatting away with endless enthusiasm.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

When it comes to the daily school run, student safety is our top priority, which is why we enforce strict drop-off and collection policies based on year groups. Only our oldest pupils in Year 6 are permitted to walk to and from school independently, provided they have parental consent. For all other year groups from Nursery up to Year 5, parents and carers are required to personally escort their children to and from their specific classroom doors. This ensures a secure, supervised handover at both ends of the school day and gives teachers a valuable opportunity to touch base with families daily.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT

Please note that **all after-school clubs will be running as scheduled during the final week of term.** All sports, creative, and academic clubs will continue to meet at their usual times right up until our final day of school. We hope this helps with your planning and allows the children to enjoy their final sessions of the term. Thank you for your wonderful support!

UPCOMING EVENTS

20.07.26	Reception Graduation	All reception (Parents welcome) 2.15pm
21.07.26	Nursery Graduation	Nursery parents welcome 2.15pm
22.07.26	Leaver's fest	All Year 6 (ticket event) 5pm - 7pm
23.07.26	Year 6 Water fight	All Year 6 (in school time)
24.07.26	Year 6 leavers assembly	All year 6 parents/carers 2.00pm
02.09.26	School Opens	All Pupils
03.09.26	Meet the Teacher session	Nursery & Reception
04.09.26	Meet the Teacher session Parents and carers attending should enter school via their child's classroom entrance	Year 1 Year 2a Year 2b
07.09.26	Meet the Teacher session Parents and carers attending should enter school via their child's classroom entrance	Year 3 Year 3½ Year 4
09.09.26	Meet the Teacher session Parents and carers attending should enter school via their child's classroom entrance	Year 5 Year 5/6 Year 6

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

This week was marked by a deeply poignant milestone as we said goodbye to our premises manager, Mr. McGuirk. Having dedicated 18 years of incredible service to our school, his departure was an emotional moment for staff and pupils alike. As the literal and figurative backbone of our school grounds for nearly two decades, Mr. McGuirk's hard work, warmth, and dedication have left an indelible mark on our community. While he will be dearly missed by everyone, we fill our hearts with gratitude for his years of service and wish him the absolute best as he steps into his next chapter—starting with a well-deserved, special extended holiday to visit his son and family in Canada. Safe travels, Mr. McGuirk!

PARENT CORNER

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

Nursery	93.18%	Year 3	97.86%
Reception	97.5%	Year 3/4	96.43%
Year 1	99.26%	Year 4	98.52%
Year 1/2	95.38%	Year 5	92.33%
Year 2	95.36%	Year 5/6	99.31%
		Year 6	96.8%

PEAKS OF THE WEEK

EYFS - Reception have been so fantastic during the transition mornings this week! They showcased what kind, sensible hard workers they are! Well done Reception! Nursery have had another great week learning about different occupations, we have been so lucky to be visited by Reggie's mum who taught us some exciting yoga and PC Gemma who brought her police car into school, Thank you!

KSI - This week, our Key Stage 1 children have been exploring the story of Abraham through drama and role-play! They loved acting out the story and reflecting on its connection to the Festival of Sacrifice. Because this story is shared across different religious communities, it was a wonderful opportunity for the children to make meaningful connections and discuss why these traditions are so important to people of various faiths

LKS2 - In LKS2 our Peak of the Week has been our wonderful transition mornings, where the children took an exciting sneak peek into their next year groups! The school was buzzing with positive energy as everyone settled into their upcoming classrooms, getting to know their new teachers and discovering all the adventures that lie ahead. To top it all off, the children got incredibly creative with hands-on activities, washing away any summer jitters and replacing them with big smiles. It is safe to say the future is looking exceptionally bright—and highly creative—for next year!

UKS2 - The ultimate peak of our week has been celebrating the fantastic SATs results achieved by our Year 6 pupils, whose immense hard work and dedication have truly paid off. We are incredibly proud to see them rewarded with such excellent results, which are a direct reflection of their outstanding efforts throughout the year.

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