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Dear Parents/Carers;

2025 Easter Bonnet Parade



This term seems to have flown by and it's nearly time again to start making our Easter Bonnets! Weather permitting, this year's Easter Bonnet parade will be held on the last day of term, **Friday 4th April**. It's a day that we all look forward to and our children get to show off their beautiful Easter Bonnets to the local community.



We hope that you will support celebrating this traditional Christian Festival by helping your child decorate their own Easter Bonnet at home. However, don't worry if you can't, as children will also be making their own bonnets in class.



On the day, we'll leave School at 9:15am to walk around the shops, parading our beautiful Easter Bonnets. Please join us on route or cheer us on outside as we parade by!

Attendance

Please remember that children must attend school each and every day until the last day of term. **The last day of term is on Friday 4th April and we will be finishing at 1:30pm on this day. We re-open on Wednesday 23rd April for all classes.** We ask you to hear your child read their reading book and practise their phonics/tricky words as often as possible during the holiday. All children will have extra homework to complete which they'll take home on the last day of term.



Remember: If you do have plans to go on holiday or abroad, you must do so during School Closure; remember, you will receive a fine per parent and per child and you will risk losing your School Place, if you take unauthorised leave during Term Time.



Graded Outstanding Again!

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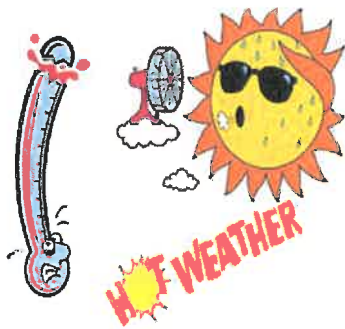


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The warmer weather is coming!

Although it's only just turned Spring, the weather will soon start to get warmer. Children are really active at school. Wearing too many layers will over-heat them and increases the chances of items of clothing getting lost.

Please take time over the Easter break to make sure that your children's names are written in all items of their clothing. Lost property can be located in our main school hall, accessible via the school office.



PE Kits Should be in School

All children undertake up to 2 hours of high-quality PE in school each week. Throughout the year, they are taught PE in two weekly lessons – developing vital Gymnastics, Games, Dance and (in Year 2) Swimming skills. **Children require a PE kit and this needs to be in school all week. Please make sure you provide your child with a PE kit and a suitable PE bag.**

Before the Easter break...

We've got lots happening before the Easter Break.

Red Nose Day – Monday 24th March

This year, on **Monday 24th March**, we are going to be celebrating **Red Nose Day!**

On this day, if they would like, children can come into School dressed up. The theme this year is "wear something red" and children can be as inventive as they like with their costumes – they don't need to be shop bought, so feel free to get creative! In fact, we'd love it if the children could come in wearing home-made costumes – they're much more cost effective and great fun to make together! Remember to tweet photos of your creations for us all to see on X and tag us in [@TVInfants](#).

We would just ask for a donation of £1 on this day which we will donate to the BBC Comic Relief charity.

Come in and make a red nose with your child...

To allow our parents and carers to get involved, we'd love it if you could come into school with your child at 8:45am when you drop them into school on Monday 24th March (12:15pm for Afternoon Nursery children). After you've signed in your child will join you in the hall where we will provide you with card, glitter and string that you can use to make a fabulously silly nose for your child to proudly wear!



We look forward to seeing all of the children's exciting costumes and funny noses and hope to see you all there next Monday!

Parent Meetings

The children will be bringing their annual mid-year School Reports home today (Friday 21st March). We send these reports out mid-year so that you can see what stage your child is at so far and what their targets are for the remainder of the year. It helps for you to get these ahead of next weeks' Parent Meetings so that you can then discuss the contents of your child's report with their Teacher in detail when you meet with them.



Your meeting is then an opportunity for your child's Teacher to give you more information about their progress, learning in school, the curriculum, homework and any school-based interventions that your child might attend, in addition to letting you know of any extra ways that you might be able to help further at home. If you haven't already booked your Parent Meeting, please log into ParentMail and book it now!

Mothers Day Special Golden Time – Friday 28th March

Mother's Day falls on Sunday 30th March this year and in order to celebrate this occasion we will be holding a special Mothers Day Golden Time on **Friday 28th March at 2:30pm.**

Here at TVI we recognise that Mother's Day is not just about "mothers" and so in light of this we are going to be celebrating *all* female role models in our children's lives. This means that all Mums, Grandmas, Great-Grandmas, Step-Mums, Aunties, Sisters, Cousins, Godmothers, Mamas and female carers are invited along to join us on this special afternoon.

It's going to be a lovely afternoon and we'd love to see you all there!



Eid-ul-Fitr – Closure Day on Monday 31st March

We are pleased to confirm that both the Infant and Junior Schools will be closing on **Monday, 31st March 2025** for Eid-ul-Fitr. This will give our Muslim families the opportunity to celebrate Eid fully together. We hope that this special occasion brings peace, joy, and blessings to your homes.

Eid-ul-Fitr – Party Day on Tuesday 1st April

School will be closed for one day for Eid and, on **Tuesday 1st April**, all children will be back in school for our annual Eid-Ul-Fitr party day.

This will be a non-uniform day and the children are invited to wear their party clothes / Eid party clothes to school. We'll be playing party games and we'll even have an Eid disco!

In the afternoon, from 2pm onwards, we'll be having our Eid parties in class and we'd love it if you could join us.

We'd be really grateful if you could send your child into school with some Eid / party foods for the children to share during this event. As usual, with food from home, because we have children with allergies in school, we kindly ask that you label any home-made food with all of the ingredients used and please do not send anything in that contains nuts.

The children are really looking forward to our Eid party day – it's always a great success!

And there's more coming up after the break...



St Georges Day – Wednesday 23rd April

We'll be celebrating St Georges Day on our first day back after the break – Wednesday 23rd April. We'll be having a special St. Georges Day assembly teaching children all about the story of St. George and the Dragon...children are also invited to wear Red and White to school on this special day and we'll be having a traditional English lunch on this day too – see the menu attached!

Maypole Dancing – Wednesday 30th April and Thursday 1st May



The children are going to be taking part in their annual Maypole dancing workshops on the **Wednesday 30th April and Thursday 1st May** and, as usual, we will be putting on a special show for our parents / carers on the final day.

The British tradition of dancing around a Maypole at the start of May is around 600 years old and brings communities together...Every year we get all of our school community together for this beautiful show which the children love to perform.

Accordingly, we would like to invite you along to this year's Spring Maypole Dancing Show which will be taking place on the afternoon of Thursday 1st May at 2:30pm. Please make a note of this date on your calendar – we'd love to see you all there!

VE Day Party @TVI – Thursday May 8th

On **Thursday May 8th** we're going to be celebrating VE day here at TVI. This year will mark the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe and we're going to be commemorating this milestone in grand fashion! We'll be having an assembly that week in which we'll learn all about VE day and what it means to us.



Then, on May 8th, we'll be having an old-fashioned street party outside in the field and the children will all have a picnic lunch on this day. We'll be rounding off the afternoon with party games and a good old fashioned sing-song and knees-up outside where I'll be teaching the children how to "walk the Lambeth walk!"

Gardening with Adam - Thursday 3rd April

If any of you are 'green-fingered' we're looking for some pre-Easter gardening help...

1. If you have any small-medium plastic plant pots that you don't want, we'd be really grateful if you could donate them to us. If you could bring them into the office, we have some tree saplings that we need to plant-on.

2. We're looking for some volunteers who can come in and help Adam with some gardening on the morning of **Thursday 3rd April** after the children have gone into school. If you think you will be available to help us on this day, please can you put your name down on the list in the office.

If you can come and help, it would be much appreciated if you could bring:

- An adult digging spade and/or fork
- Gloves for yourself
- Appropriate clothing (e.g. wellies) in case it is wet and muddy.

Sports Together

After the break we are once again going to be hosting our extremely popular 'Sports Together' mornings for all of our classes. Each class will have their own morning and it will be a lovely opportunity for you to come into school, help the children in your child's class and join us in the sports activities!

You and your family are welcome to come in and join us on these mornings, so please have a look at the schedule below and make a note in your diary of when your child's morning is going to be.



Sports Together 2025	
Thursday 8 th May	Lions
Friday 9 th May	Hippos
Thursday 15 th May	Pandas
Friday 16 th May	Squirrels
Thursday 22 nd May	Owls
Friday 23 rd May	Foxes
Thursday 5 th June	Snakes
Thursday 12 th June	Koalas
Friday 13 th June	Gorillas
Thursday 19 th June	Giraffes
Friday 20 th June	Tigers
Thursday 26 th June	Nursery – Parrots & Penguins
Thursday 26 th June	Zebras
Friday 27 th June	Bumble Bees



In fact, there's lots to look forward to next term. There are exciting school visits coming up and we'll be holding our own **Pupil-Headteacher elections** – candidates will write manifestos and the winning party will be in charge for a day. We'll even be holding our annual awards ceremony – The Jordans!

We have a busy, fun filled few weeks left before the Easter holidays and all of my staff will be working hard to make sure that our children continue to learn lots and enjoy the last few weeks of this term. As usual, we are always here to help and so, if you have any questions or worries at all, please just pop in. We're always happy to help.

got a question?
ask us!

Yours sincerely,

Paul Jordan
Headteacher



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St George's Day Specials



**Roast Beef &
Yorkshire Pudding**



Fish & Chips
With Mushy Peas

Cheese Flan (V)



**Apple Pie
With Custard**



