



TEMPLE SOWERBY CE SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents,

We have a lot planned for this half term so we wanted to share with you a few updates for what's coming up - please also see the calendar on the back of this page for events in the diary.

Online Safety—Parent Workshop

On **Wednesday 28th February**, Jacqui McCann, a local safeguarding consultant, will be hosting an online safety workshop for parents, providing information and support about how you can keep your children safe online. The session will particularly focus on children's use of social media and online gaming and will give lots of advice about the risks and age appropriateness of various online apps. All parents are encouraged to attend (you are welcome to sit with your child in the session or we will provide childcare if needed) and there will be an opportunity to ask questions if you have any concerns. If you have any specific themes you'd like Jacqui to discuss, please let us know.

After School Clubs

There is a slight update on our After School Clubs relating to Action Ants and the dates for Film Club, as follows:-

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| • Monday | Action Ants—Cricket |
| • Tuesday | Action Ants—Tennis & Multi Sports |
| • Wednesday | Film Club |
| • Thursday | Art Club |
| • Friday | Band Club |

These clubs are from Monday to Thursday, 3.30pm to 5.00pm (£3.50 per session), and Fridays 3.30pm to 4.30pm (£2.50 per session). Please e-mail Katie to book a space.

Our Wednesday Film Clubs will be showing the following films next term:

- 6th March - Sing 2 (PG)
- 13th March - Madagascar (U)
- 20th March - Despicable Me 3 (U)

Please note that there will be no film Club on 28th February due to the online safety workshop for parents (see above).



School Lunches

Thank you to all of the parents who responded to our recent school lunches survey. We have met with the Headteacher at Kirkby Thore School to discuss your feedback and have already seen a couple of menu changes. We will be looking to have more input into the menu for the Summer Term.

From Monday, we will be also be trialling serving lunches differently, with children collecting their own lunch (rather than the previous arrangements where meals were delivered to tables). We hope that this will help with portion sizes as the lunch staff, who know the children very well, will be able to serve a portion size tailored to each child.

Finally, we will also be sending out text messages on Sundays to remind all parents to order your children's meals for the week ahead; this is due to some children not having meals ordered recently.

World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 7th March, we will be running book lots of book-themed activities throughout the day, including online author workshops and a poetry slam, with each class performing poems to the whole school. We are not asking children to dress up this year.

School Council—Non-Uniform Day

A huge well done to the School Council who have raised £51.17 from today's non-uniform day and talent show. Thank you to everyone who donated—the money will be going to the Destiny African Choir Orphanage to help with the amazing work that they do.

Kind regards

Mr K Laithwaite
Headteacher



Date	Time	Event
Every Monday	PM	Action Ants
Every Tuesday	PM	Guitar—please get in touch if your child would like to try guitar. Available for Year 3 upwards at a cost of £4.00 per week.
Every Wednesday	PM	Forest School
Every Friday	9.15am—10.30am	Temple Sowerby Tots
Wednesday 28th February	PM	Online Safety Workshop For Children
Wednesday 28th February	3.30pm	Parent Online Safety Workshop
Thursday 29th February	AM	Eden Rock Climbing Competition
Friday 1st March	9.30am—2.30pm	Chess Tournament—Long Marton School
Monday 4th March	AM	Visit From Penrith Beekeepers
Thursday 7th March	All Day	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	9.30am	Water Safety Talk with PC Mattinson & Appleby Fire Service
Monday 18th March	9.30am	Road Safety Talk from PCSO
Monday 18th March	3.30pm-5pm	Spring Disco
Tuesday 26th March	8.15am—4pm	KS2 Visit to Eden Camp
Wednesday 27th March	3.30pm-4.15pm	Open Evening In School
Friday 29th March—Monday 15th April		Easter Holidays
Tuesday 16th April		Beginning of Summer Term