

Dear Parent and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your understanding and support with the partial closure of the school to Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 on the strike day on Thursday this week and the strike day on Tuesday next week. I do not like having to close the school, but I had to take into consideration the health and safety of all staff and students. Hopefully, a resolution to this dispute will be found soon.

It has been a busy week at TPS with lots of things going on.

On Monday and Tuesday this week, we invited pupils from the local primary schools to watch performances of our wonderful school production, back to the 80's. Over the two days we had a total of 500 children come and watch our drama and dance students perform the show. The children enjoyed the show and had a lovely afternoon. Our main evening performances run from Thursday 27th April to Saturday 29th April. To book tickets please use this link:

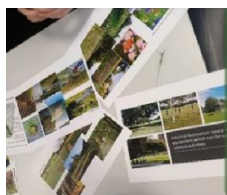


www.tps-expressivearts.co.uk/events. Can I thank Mr Millington and the performing arts team for their exceptional and tireless work. The students have been amazing.

Also, on Tuesday some of our Y7 cohort visited Warwick Castle where they explored the castle and grounds and found out all about the history of the castle and how it had changed over the centuries. Our students



engaged in exhibitions and activities at the castle, and they all found the trip informative and enjoyed the visit.



This Wednesday, some of our Y8 students visited Attingham Park, Shrewsbury as part of our outreach project with the National Trust. They had a really great time.

On Thursday some of our Y10 cohort visited Wolverhampton University where they had a tour of the campus and were given information on courses available through the University. These trips are extremely important to ensure our children know the range of things open to them.

You may be aware that we have been working with some students re: uniform for next year and I have been so impressed with the maturity of some of our student leaders in year 10 - they understand the need for a collective uniform and recognise that wearing their PE kit on some days has meant that some of our high standards have slipped. I have also had communications from parents re: this and the desire to have our standard uniform back.

The students have been working with us re: a relaunch of the

expectations, moving to full school uniform every day and have asked me to look at the introduction of pencil skirts, a zipped A4 size handbag and a school fleece. Furthermore, we are now in a position, following some internal changes, to give back our changing rooms to the PE team - I know Mr Morris is very happy to have this facility back after internal capacity pressures made it temporarily out of action to accommodate our growing school at short notice.

I am also introducing, following some consultation with students, a year and college tie which I have been able to secure funding for: all current year 7-10 students will be given a new school tie in September so this is one less thing you as parents will have to worry about! I am also looking at a bigger pot of money to support parents who may struggle to provide all of the uniform and equipment requirements - do watch this space. We are also going to have a uniform amnesty asking parents to return uniform items which no longer fit their child but are in good condition. Details will follow soon! Uniform and identity at our school is so important, and I want to thank the students who have worked with me on this, particularly Libby Cartledge and Sophie Ewing.

I would like to remind you that next Parent in Partnership meeting will be held on Thursday 11th May at 6pm and all parents and carers are welcome to attend. Minutes from the last meeting are on the website, so please do come and join us if you can.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Ms Jordan

Headteacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAY 1ST MAY

BANK HOLIDAY

TUESDAY 2ND MAY

STRIKE ACTION - SCHOOL CLOSED TO Y7, Y9 AND Y10

CAMP KENYA PARENTS MEETING 6.30PM - 7.30PM

WEDNESDAY 3RD MAY

Y9 ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCE TELFORD COLLEGE

Y6 TRANSITION WELCOME EVENING 5PM - 7.30PM

THURSDAY 4TH MAY

Y8 PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT 4PM - 6PM

FRIDAY 5TH MAY

CORONATION TEA PARTY - 11.15AM - 12.30PM

MONDAY 8TH MAY

BANK HOLIDAY

TUESDAY 9TH MAY

Y10 SPORTS MENTORSHIP DONNINGTON WOOD

WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY

Y8 AND Y9 HPV VACCINATIONS

THURSDAY 11TH MAY

LOVELL CONSTRUCTION SITE VISIT

CAMP KENYA FUNDRAISING MEETING 2.50PM - 3.50PM

PARENT IN PARTNERSHIP MEETING 6PM - 7PM

Golden Ticket Winners

Well done and congratulations to this week's Golden Ticket Winners

Year 7

Sophia R

Aston S

Tina A

Edwin A

Millie D



TOP MERIT WINNERS



Ryan J

Adrian B

Nina A



Aston U

Liam R

Joseph H



Trytan M

Kaushi U

Anna A



Rosie R

Rebecca D

Lewis N



Kendall F

Matthew D

Esther E

POSITIVE EVENTS

1. Queen Elizabeth - 1069

2. Rashford - 1007

3. Malala - 996

4. Attenborough - 932

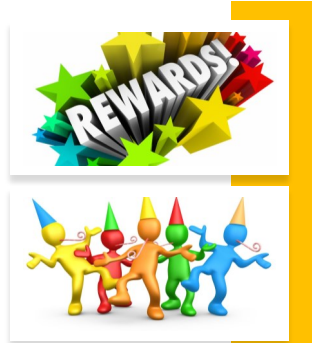
Rewards celebration afternoon

• Would you like to be invited to the rewards afternoon? If so, you need to meet this criteria:

- 100% attendance
- No behaviour logs

• From Tuesday 2nd May – 23rd May.

• If you succeed you will be invited to a rewards afternoon on the last day of term period 5 and 6.



A special mention and well done to the following Y11 students for having worked really hard on their coursework for Hospitality and Catering and Health and Social Care

Lilly A

Molly E

Layona N



Well done and congratulations to our VIP winners from

last half term :

Faria K Y7 - Airia 51

Blake H Y8 - Sky Reach Voucher

Kallum M Y7 - £20 Voucher

Isla Reynolds Y9 - Hoo Zoo Family Pass

Trystan M Y9 - Attingham Park Family Pass





Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned



College Challenge100: Part 3



Wednesday 19th April – Wednesday 24th May '23 (inclusive)

Can you hold onto **100% attendance** for **24 consecutive school days?**

(Taking into consideration possible strike days and Bank Holidays)

Which college will be the winners?

Attenborough
Rashford
Malala
Queen Elizabeth II

Reward: Entry into a **prize draw** for a chance to win a tablet, chocolate hampers and extra college merits!

Are you ready? Are you in it to win it?!

Winners of the 100% attendance prizes this week 24th – 28th April 2023

Student Name	Year Group	Student Name	Year Group
Aleksi Rivera E	7	Alfie H	9
Maxwel K	11	Harmony F	9
Tamarni V	8	Bryan C	7
Michael M	9	Freya M	8
Jacob R	8	Broganne H	9
Maisie P	9	Kacie B	7
Dean H	11	Joshua A	11
Ashton M H	9	Mia D	10
Kya B	10	Krystal W	8
Harvey B	8	Aimee E	7

Please note that these names are pulled at random from a random generator. EVERY child who has 100% attendance also receives 10 merits on G4S

FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

ATTENDANCE MATTERS every student, every day



Should I keep my Child off School?

- Students with good attendance are far more likely to be successful in school.
- High attendance rates are linked to high student achievement.
- Missing school causes children to fall behind academically.
- Attendance below 90% is considered persistent absence.

Three Important Questions to Ask:

1. Does the child's illness keep him or her from comfortably taking part in activities?
2. Does the sick child need more care than the staff can give without affecting the health and safety of other children?
3. Could the other children get sick from being near your child?

If the answer to any of these questions is yes, then the child should NOT go to school.

Please ensure that if your child does not attend school you inform TPS Attendance by email tps.attendance@taw.org.uk or telephone 01952 386400 every day that your child is absent.

If you are concerned about your child's attendance, please contact our Education Welfare Officer Louise Plim on 01952 386400 to see what support we can offer.



ENSURING EXCELLENCE

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