

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I mentioned last week, thank you all for your understanding and support with the decision made to partially close the school to Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 on the strike days that took place on Thursday last week and Tuesday this week. This decision was not taken lightly, and I had to take into consideration the health and safety of all staff and students.

It has been a busy week at TPS as always.

Following on from the letter sent to you all about the wonderful opportunity for our students to take part in the Camp Kenya trip, I am very pleased to announce that we have received a good response about this trip with 62 families registering their interest; and on Tuesday we held an information evening where parents were given detailed information about the trip and the fundraising for it. It was an extremely positive evening, and our parents /carers were excited with the opportunity that this gives their children. Thank you to all those that attended.

Telford College has offered a fantastic opportunity for our students that wanted to get involved in their new environmental technologies scheme, as part of the net zero strategy; some of our Y9 students visited the college on Wednesday where they met with staff from their environmental technology rigs and received talks from the college on the future of net zero technology. Both our Y9 students and the members of staff that went on the trip found it very informative.

Also, on Wednesday we held our Y6 transition welcome evening where we welcomed families of the Y6 children who will be joining us in September to find out all about our school. It was lovely to see so many families attend, and we look forward to welcoming them in September.

Our Careers department is launching a brand-new project running in school alongside the University of Wolverhampton and the Council called "Steps to Success" for a small group of our Y10 students. It is a programme developed alongside several local partners to inspire young people into post-16 education and informing them of lots of career and study options within our local community. This will involve workshops in school with SYST, visits off-site to universities, colleges and sixth forms, and trips to local companies. It is planned to be one session a week for the rest of the term and is structured so that students will not miss out on their vital curriculum learning.

We held our Y8 Parent Consultation Evening this Thursday and saw lots of positive engagement. This is such a crucial time for the students as they make some really important decisions around their options. Do please talk with your children using the options booklets to ensure that they made the right decisions.

This Friday we held a tea party to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles, which included guests from within the local community. Though I couldn't attend, Ms Storer-Young told me it was a fabulous event.

I am delighted to tell you that our very own Mr Crowson has been nominated for his dedication to School football! In the ESFA Rewards and Recognition Awards. I know you will agree that this well-deserved and wish him the best of luck with his nomination. Please vote for Mr Crowson using this link:

<https://schoolsfootball.org/2023/05/02/esfa-reward-and-recognition-awards-place-your-votes/>

I am pleased to announce that from the 19th – 24th May we here at TPS will be holding our annual book fair. As you are aware reading is very important to all of us at TPS and we encourage our students in any way we can to pick up a book and read. There will be 200 plus books on offer for the students to browse through and purchase if they wish. We had amazing enthusiasm from our students last year and we are hoping for the same this year, if not better. Please do encourage your children to get involved, come along, and have a look. Students will be reminded of the book fair over the coming week.



A huge congratulations and well done to Mr Millington, the performing arts team, and students for the wonderful evening performances of our school production, Back to the 80's that took place on Thursday 27th, Friday 28th and Saturday 29th April. The audiences had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed the show. Please see the fantastic feedback that we received from one of our audience members:

"As always, the students and staff at TPS have brought together an enjoyable and exciting show. The performers gave it their all, but, for me, the star of the show was Feargal McFerrin III, played by Finley Cole-Jones. He played the character of the class geek brilliantly!"

I embraced the theme of the evening by dressing up, singing along to the songs of my own teenage years. I would recommend seeing the show while you can and supporting the staff and students that have worked so hard to produce such a great show."

Our shows go from strength to strength each year and I am so proud of the students and the commitment of our staff. It really is something special.

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

Ms Jordan

Headteacher

TOP MERIT WINNERS



Tina A

Aston U

Warren H

Krasimira G

Gailmarie L

Daniel J

Jamie Leigh M M

Sofia I

Theo W



Daria K

Sasha H

Shayna H

Reece H

Jake P

Kendall F

POSITIVE EVENTS

1. Rashford - 757
2. Attenborough - 750
3. Queen Elizabeth - 688
4. Malala - 635



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Week Beginning 17.04.23 – 21.04.23

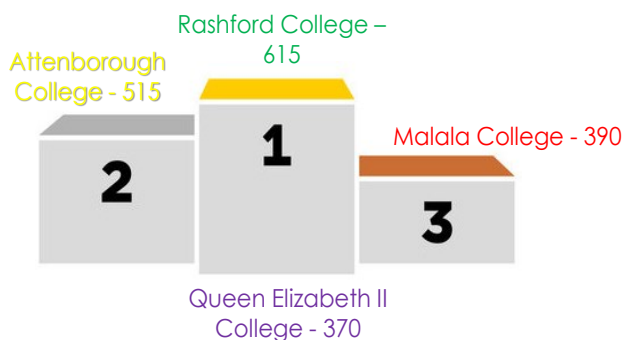
College	Attendance	College Points	Behaviour	College Points	Weekly Total
Attenborough	83%	10Pts	+2374	5pts	15 Points
Malala	87%	25Pts	+2862	15pts	40 Points
QE II	87%	25Pts	+3245	25pts	50 Points
Rashford	86%	15pts	+2788	10pts	25 Points

Week Beginning 24.04.23 – 28.04.23

College	Attendance	College Points	Behaviour	College Points	English College Comp	Weekly Total
Attenborough	86%	10Pts	+2174	15pts	5pts	30 Points
Malala	86%	10Pts	+1711	5pts	25pts	40 Points
QE II	87%	15Pts	+2076	10pts	15pts	40 Points
Rashford	88%	25pts	+2507	25pts	10pts	60 Points



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

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

FRIDAY 12TH MAY

ASPIRE TO HE Y9 WORKSHOP

HORNETS RUGBY INTERVENTION

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.



POLITE · READY · SAFE

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Don't miss out on the education you deserve.

175 NON-SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR

There are 175 non-school days during the year to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments. Days off school add up to lost learning.

180 days absence	15 days absence	10 days absence	5 days absence	2 days absence	1 day absence
190 SCHOOL DAYS IN EACH YEAR (10 days absence)	180 DAYS OF EDUCATION	171 DAYS OF EDUCATION	161 DAYS OF EDUCATION	152 DAYS OF EDUCATION	143 DAYS OF EDUCATION
100% Attendance	95% Attendance	90% Attendance	85% Attendance	80% Attendance	75% Attendance
GOOD EXCELLENCE ATTENDANCE. Best chance of success. Gets you off to a flying start. WELL DONE!	WORRYING POOR ATTENDANCE. Less chance of success. Makes it harder to make progress. CONCERNING!	SERIOUS CONCERN VERY POOR ATTENDANCE. Serious impact on education and reduces life chances! EXTREMELY CONCERNING!			

Good attendance means being in school at least 95% of the time or 180-190 days.
Did you know? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.5%.

365 DAYS IN A CALENDAR YEAR

CHILTERN LEARNING TRUST

Dallow Primary School

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?

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?!

Attenborough
Rashford
Malala
Queen Elizabeth II

Winners of the 100% attendance prizes this week 1st May – 5th May 2023

Student Name	Year Group	Student Name	Year Group
Shayna H	10	Gabrielle C	11
Dale T	9	Sophie E	10
Chloe H	7	Matthew D	11
Harley M	9	George R	7
Ryan P	10	Harvey B	8
Kacey W	8	Lewis F	8
Shane H	11	Faria K	7
Jack Z	7	Agyemang O	8
Adean M	11	Asamoah A	8
Frankie F	7	James J	11
		Keeley D	11

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

ze!



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

Headteacher: Ms S J Jordan BEd (Hons) PGDip