

Heeley's Highlights

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Dear Parents,

What a busy week we have had, starting last Sunday, where we took the Year 2 Song Squad to sing at St.Nicholas' Church Civic Carol Concert. What a wonderful performance they gave, getting the biggest round of applause of the evening! Thank you to the children for being so fabulous, for parents for bringing them and allowing them to take part, and to Mrs Gradwell and Miss Owen for leading the Song Squad.

On Monday we launched our Newport Infant School and Nursery Bedtime Advent Story Time, with a story read by myself. Each night at 6pm, a different member of staff will be reading a Christmas story, and so far it has been a big hit with the children! The links will stay live so if you miss one, you can go back and rewatch at a later date. We will continue with the last story on Christmas Eve!

This week Super Sue's Safety Crew helped me in an assembly about road safety. We learned the 'Green Cross Code', 'Stop, Look, Listen, Think' and we talked about the importance of wearing bright coats and having reflective strips, keyrings or armbands to help cars to see pedestrians in the dark.

Yesterday evening we held the PTA Christmas Disco. It was a wonderful event and the children had lots of fun dancing and meeting Santa. Thank you to all the PTA volunteers for your time and commitment. If you had a photo with Santa, these should come home next Friday. We will let you know the total amount raised in next week's email. The PTA's current project is to raise money to buy new adult folding chairs for the school hall.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,
Best wishes
Mrs Heeley, Headteacher

Christmas Performances

Ticket Information

- Tickets cost 50p each and can **only be purchased on SCOPAY** under **PRODUCTS**
- Please only buy a maximum of 2 tickets per child per event to allow all families the opportunity to attend. Any additional tickets purchased will be refunded.
- If you require additional tickets, please contact the school or nursery office where we will add you to a waiting list, should more tickets become available.
- Where possible, please avoid bringing small children, as they can distract performers. If you do bring them, they do not need a ticket and must sit on your lap.
- On the day, tickets will be collected at the door, so please have them ready

Information for Year 2 families

- No tickets are required for the Year 2 Carol Service. Donations can be made at the church.
- Children do not need to bring book bags on this day.
- We are looking for parent/carer volunteers to help walk children to the church (leaving school at 1:20 pm).
- Please complete the SCOPAY form if: You can help walk children to the church (a reserved seat will be provided for you) and/or your child attends High 5 after-school club and needs to be escorted back to school.

Children not attending High 5 will need to be collected from the church at 2:45 pm.

Dates & Times

Oak Class
9:10 am - Wednesday 17th December

Fox & Rabbit Class
2:15 pm - Monday 15th December
9:10 am - Tuesday 16th December

Hedgehog & Squirrel Class
9:10 am - Monday 15th December
2:15 pm - Wednesday 17th December

Badger & Deer Class
2:00 pm - Tuesday 16th December
Carol Performance at St. Nicolas Church

Raffle Tickets Available!
Don't miss your chance to WIN a fabulous Christmas Hamper!
Tickets are just £1 each – available on the day. Please bring cash to join in the festive fun



Please purchase all tickets and Y2 parents complete our form by 10am on Wednesday 10th December

Christmas Post-box

The post-box has arrived in school. Children are welcome to send cards to their friends by posting them in the box at the start of the day. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to write for a purpose so please encourage your child to do as much as they can themselves.

Please make sure that you put both name and class on the envelope.



Chocolate Challenge Week

Well done to Squirrel Class who were the winners of the Chocolate Challenge week. They enjoyed extra Golden time on Monday.

Thank you to everyone who donated chocolate.

Appointments during the School Day

Where possible we would ask that appointments are made outside of the school day. We do understand there may be occasions where this isn't possible and you need to collect your child to attend. Please can we ask that you provide the school with evidence of such appointments. This could be a screenshot of a letter, text reminder etc. It can be emailed in advance to sally.gittins@taw.org.uk for our records.

Thank you for your support.



Happy Birthday from everyone in school to:

Birthdays this week

Jamie in Acorn Class is now 3 Years Old

Freddie in Badger Class is now 7 Years Old

Headteacher's Award



William C in Squirrel Class for fantastic writing.
Mia in Rabbit Class for fantastic formation of numbers

Gold Star Awards

Well done to the children below who were awarded a gold star this week!

Den Class

Ethan, for engaging so well in attention bucket sessions this week! You have been looking at objects more closely and following activities whilst waiting to take turns with your friends. We are so proud of your progress Ethan!

Fox Class

Margot, you have shown a great leap in confidence in using your phonics skills for both reading and writing this week. Keep shining Super Star!

Rabbit Class

Monnika, for your fantastic effort in our Nativity Rehearsals this week. You have been so locked in! Showing off your super signing and beautiful singing! Well done Monnika!

Hedgehog Class

Arabella, for working really hard in your writing this week. You have locked into your learning and made sure you used your capital letter and full stops. You shared some lovely ideas of 'wow words' to describe the aliens. Well done, Arabella! Keep up all the hard work!

Squirrel Class

Jude, for your amazing effort in everything you've done this week. You've worked so hard in our Nativity Rehearsals and been a Maths wiz in our money work!

Badger Class

Layla-Rae, for having a good attitude to learning by keeping on going! You worked hard and were very locked in with 'telling the time' in Maths. I am so proud of you! Keep up the good work!

Deer Class

Bobby-George, for an improved attitude to all your learning! You are now listening better, locking into your learning more independently and keeping on going just like Ready Eddie! I'm so proud of you keep it up!

Sun
Mon
Tue
Wed
Thu
Fri
Sat

Dates for your diary



December

Tues 9th	Panto in School
Fri 12th	The Den Christmas Crafts and music with parents. Details to follow
Mon 15th	The Den and Acorn Class trip to Tiny Town
Tues 16th	Oak Class trip to Tiny Town

Click here to see our term dates

After School Clubs







Please note, all our after school clubs finished this week. We hope the children enjoyed them.

INFANT SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Just a reminder that Infant School applications need to be completed and returned by 15 January 2026

JUNIOR SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Just a reminder that Junior School applications need to be completed and returned by 15 January 2026

Apply online for school places at: www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

DECEMBER DATES







Thursday 11th	Christmas Lunch	Whole School
Thursday 11th	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School
Monday 15th	Year 1 Christmas Performance	9.10am start
Monday 15th	Reception Christmas Performance	2.15pm start
Tuesday 16th	Reception Christmas Performance	9.10am start
Tuesday 16th	Year 2 Carol Performance St Nics Church	2pm start
Wednesday 17th	Oak Class Christmas Performance	9.10am start
Wednesday 17th	Year 1 Christmas Performance	2.15pm start
Thursday 18th	Christmas Party Day in school	1-3.15pm
Friday 19th	Last Day of Term	












Pantomime in school

Tuesday 9th December



Please log on Scopay and make a voluntary contribution if you can.

REMEMBER!



Water bottles

Please remember that your child's water bottle should be filled with water and **not juice**, unless your child has a medical reason and it has been cleared by the Class teacher or the Headteacher.
Thank you.

Polite notice

Please try to remember to send your child to school with everything they need for the day. When items are brought in late it can take time to get them to class and the office cannot be unmanned.
Thank you.

WANTed

Toys and Games

If you are having a sort out before Christmas of your children's old toys and games please can you let us have them for our High 5 club.
NJS as well as NIS please.
Good quality and unbroken only please.
All things considered indoor or outdoor. (please ask first).
Construction toys such as Lego, stickle bricks, board games, jigsaws.
PlayStation or Wii?

Crates and Tyres wanted!

Do you have any crates, tyres or tubing that we could use for outdoor play?
If so, please arrange delivery with the school office.
Thank you.

Sibling Absences

We appreciate there are lots of bugs around and absence has been high this week. Thank you for phoning in to let us know about the absence promptly.

We have noticed that some parents are also keeping the sibling off who isn't ill, saying they have no one to bring them to school. Please can you work with friends and neighbours to support each other in bringing the siblings to school otherwise their absence has to be recorded as unauthorised.

Use the NHS guidance below if you are unsure whether to send your child or not.

Is my child too ill to attend school?



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week is 83.48%

Den Class	59.46%
Fox Class	84.21%
Rabbit Class	95.42%
Hedgehog Class	77.73%
Squirrel Class	76.42%
Badger Class	96.95%
Deer Class	92.65%



Mrs Heeley says:
Keep washing your hands to keep those germs away!

Next week I will be staying in Badger Class as they have the highest attendance this week! Well done!



Absence

Please report all absences to the school office **before 9.00am** on **01952 386610** or email **A2074@telford.org.uk**. Thank you.

Is your child too ill for school?
Click on the link for the NHS advice:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

Our Ready Eddies this week are



Den Class	Archie, William, Charlie, Lyra
Fox Class	Hope, Darcey, Pippin, Hudson, Teddie, Isaac, Harry B, Lyla, Nellie
Rabbit Class	Blake, Grayson, Mia, Louis, Toby, Jorji, Archie, Rowan, Maisie, Monnika, Amelia, Lilly, Zackary
Hedgehog Class	Ava x 2, Elliott, Toby, Mia B and Chester
Squirrel Class	Will, Harry, Isla, Finn,
Badger Class	Reuben F, Sophia, Layla-Rae, Oliver, Kane, Asher, Poppy, Nancy, Arthur
Deer Class	Hanna, Esmae, Arthur, Vinny, Maisy, Mia, Isabelle & Oscar





Handwriting Heroes

Fox Class	Lyla, Nellie
Rabbit Class	Blake, Hollie
Hedgehog Class	Margot
Squirrel Class	Katie
Badger Class	Zia, Freddie
Deer Class	Hanna, Maisy, Summer-Rose and Layla



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Our wise owl readers this week are

Fox Class	Harry
Rabbit Class	Maisie
Hedgehog Class	Chester
Squirrel Class	Isla
Badger Class	Jaxson
Deer Class	Ruby





Maths Certificates
Most Improved Awards

	1	2	3
Y2	Betsy	Albert	Olivia
Y1	Chloe	Lydia	Harry
YR	Harry B	Rosie	Lilly





Well done!



LUNCH MENU

Week beginning 8th December will be
Week 3

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WEEK 1

MONDAY
Big Breakfast *Farm Assured Sausage, Bacon, Free Range Scrambled Egg*

Vegetarian Sausage, Free Range Scrambled Egg V

Hash Browns, Baked Beans, Tomatoes, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate and Vanilla Swirl Mousse or Strawberry and Vanilla Swirl Mousse

TUESDAY
Pizza bar *selection of toppings including* **Ham, Pineapple** V, **Peppers** V, **Sweetcorn** V, **Onions** V

Cheese and Tomato Pizza V

Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Crunch

WEDNESDAY
Beef Bolognaise *Farm Assured Minced Beef in a Chef's Rich Tomato Sauce with Garlic Bread*

Quorn Bolognaise V

Pasta Twists, Carrots, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Strawberry Sponge and Custard

THURSDAY
Chicken Goujons with Tomato or BBQ Sauce

Quorn Dunkers V

Boiled Rice, Jacket Wedges, Sweetcorn, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Oat and Raisin Cookie

FRIDAY
Jumbo Fish Finger *White fillet of fish coated in breadcrumbs* or Fishcake

Vegetable and Mixed Bean Pasta Bake V

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Vanilla Ice Cream

WEEK 2

MONDAY
Pizza bar *selection of toppings including* **Ham, Pineapple** V, **Peppers** V, **Sweetcorn** V, **Onions** V

Cheese and Tomato Pizza V

Spaghetti in a Rich Tomato Sauce, Sweetcorn, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate and Vanilla Swirl Mousse or Strawberry and Vanilla Swirl Mousse

TUESDAY
Wrap Day *various fillings available* Hot Chicken, Ham or Tuna

Cheese Wrap V

Jacket Wedges, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Fruit Muffin Selection

WEDNESDAY
Pork Sausage with a Yorkshire Pudding *Farm Assured Pork Sausage*

Vegetarian Balls V

Roast Potatoes, Creamed Potato, Carrots, Cauliflower, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Chocolate Sponge and Chocolate Sauce

THURSDAY
Sweet and Sour Chicken *Farm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Sweet and Sour Sauce* or **BBQ Chicken** *Farm Assured Chicken in a Chef's BBQ Sauce*

Quorn Nuggets V

Boiled Rice, Noodles, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Vanilla Ice Cream

BE SAFE

FRIDAY
Battered Fish *White fillet of fish coated in a light batter* or **Jumbo Fish Finger** *White fillet of fish coated in breadcrumbs*

Vegetable and Mixed Bean Pasta Bake V

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Fruity Friday – Cooks' choice of Fruit based Pudding

WEEK 3

MONDAY
Hot Dog *Farm Assured Pork Sausage in a Soft Bread Roll with Tomato Ketchup*

Quorn Dog *Quorn Sausage in a Soft Bread Roll with Tomato Ketchup* V

Potato Smiles, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Cookie Selection

TUESDAY
Chicken in Tomato Sauce *Farm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Tomato Sauce*

Macaroni Cheese *Macaroni Pasta in a Creamy Cheese Chef's Sauce* V

Pasta Twists, Big Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Iced Fruit Sponge

WEDNESDAY
Sausage Roll *Farm Assured Pork Sausage meat encased in Puff Pastry*

Quorn Vegetarian Roll V

Jacket Wedges, Baked Beans, Sweetcorn, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Golden Shortbread

THURSDAY
Chicken Korma *Farm Assured Chicken in a Chef's Korma Sauce*

Quorn Korma Curry *Tender Quorn pieces in a Chef's Korma Sauce* V

Boiled Rice, Carrots, Broccoli, Seasonal Salad Selection, Naan Bread

Fresh Fruit Salad

FRIDAY
Battered Fish *White fillet of fish coated in a light batter* or **Jumbo Fish Finger** *White fillet of fish coated in breadcrumbs*

Quorn Dunkers V

Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Bread

Arctic Roll or Ice Cream



Sandwich Option
Packed lunch available

FUN FOOD FACT
potatoes were the first vegetable to be grown in space.

FUN FOOD FACT
A POMEGRANATE CAN HOLD UP TO 1400 SEEDS.

BE READY

Fresh Fruit available daily. Cheese and Crackers available Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Don't forget its Christmas lunch for the whole school on **Thursday 11th Dec** There will be **no sandwiches or Jacket potatoes on this day.**

Autumn Term 2025	
1 SEPT	WK 1
8 SEPT	WK 2
15 SEPT	WK 3
22 SEPT	WK 1
29 SEPT	WK 2
6 OCT	WK 3
13 OCT	WK 1
20 OCT	WK 2
27 OCT - HALF TERM	
3 NOV	WK 1
10 NOV	WK 2
17 NOV	WK 3
24 NOV	WK 1
1 DEC	WK 2
8 DEC	WK 3
15 DEC	WK 1

Packed Lunches

Please note, lunchbox rubbish is sent home so that you can see what has been eaten. If your child brings grapes or mini eggs, please cut them in half to prevent any potential choking hazards. For healthy lunchbox ideas, follow this link: **https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/**

Last one of the term Wed 3rd Dec

NEWPORT INFANT SCHOOL AND NURSERY

PLAYGROUP

9:30am - 11:00am

Every Wednesday morning starting 1st October 2025



Join us for a fun and welcoming playgroup designed especially for children from birth to age 4! Each week features engaging themed activities, interactive story time, joyful songs, and plenty of opportunities for little ones to explore, learn, and play. It's a great way to support early development while building friendships in a relaxed, friendly environment.





Please contact Stacie Magnier or Emily Russell for further information on 01952386613 or newportinfantsnursery@taw.org.uk

£1

FOR ENTRY TEA/COFFEE/BISCUITS

Newport Infant School and Nursery
Newport
TF10 7DX





Please Remember

This School is a

NO PHONE ZONE!

This includes anywhere around School

Please put all phones away at the gate!

Thank you.

