TOWN FARM PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

Thank you to all the KS2 families who were able to join us for this week's Maths Workshop. We hope you found the session informative and valuable, particularly in exploring practical ways to support your child's maths learning at home and gaining a greater understanding of our Concrete, Pictorial and Abstract (CPA) approach. Our thanks go to Mrs Elias for preparing and delivering such a worthwhile session.

It was wonderful to see so many colourful odd socks being worn to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week and promote this year's important theme, 'Break the Silence'. Please take the opportunity to talk to your child about what they have learnt and how we can all play a part in preventing bullying.

Finally, we are delighted to launch our new Town Farm Clubs for the spring term. Our expanded offer includes Project Future, Hobbies & Interests and Sports, providing opportunities for children to explore future careers, develop new skills, pursue their interests and enjoy being active. There is already a real buzz of excitement across the school! Sign-up opens on Arbor at 6pm today.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Elliott
Deputy Head

Dates for your Diary

2026 - 2027 Academic Year

25 Nov - Parent Workshop - KS2 Reading
26 Nov - Open Evening for Prospective Parents at 4:30pm
27 Nov - Mufti day (details below)
2 Dec - Parent Workshop - Phonics
4 Dec - Christmas Fayre
8 Dec - Years 4, 5 & 6 Carol Concert @ 2pm St Mary's Church
9 Dec - EYFS & Yr 1 Christmas Production @ 9:15am or 2:30pm
9 Dec - Year 5 to visit Care Home
11 Dec - Panto
15 Dec - Years 2 & 3 Christmas Performance @ 2:30pm
16 Dec - Christmas Jumper Day
16 Dec - Christmas Lunch Day
18 Dec - **SCHOOL FINISHES @ 1:30pm**
4 Jan - Inset Day (school closed to pupil
5 Jan - Pupils return to school

(Dates subject to change)
EYFS = Nur & Reception
KS1 = Years 1 & 2 /KS2 = Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Parent Workshop



25th November starting at 2:45pm

KS2 Reading

Reading with your children is a rewarding experience. Come and join us to pick up some handy tips and advice for improving reading both at home and at school

Highlights from the Week

EYFS

This week in EYFS, the children took part in Odd Socks Day as part of this year's Anti-bullying week. It was a fun way to celebrate that we are all unique and special. By wearing odd socks, the children were able to show that being different is something to be proud of, while helping to spread the message of kindness, respect and inclusion for everyone.



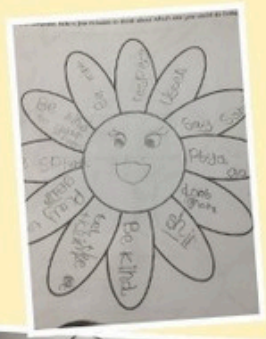
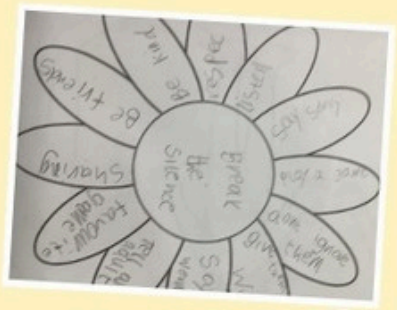





Year 1

During Anti-Bullying Week, Year 1 have been exploring this year's theme, 'Break the Silence'. The children discussed how they could support one another if they noticed someone feeling upset or in distress. They shared their ideas and recorded them on petals, which they took home to reflect on and discuss with their parents.

In Maths, Year 1 have been busy exploring 3D shapes. The children enjoyed investigating and handling a range of different shapes before using pictures of them to play a fun game of making shape trains. We also explored the vocabulary used to describe 3D shapes, including curved and flat surfaces, as well as square, triangular and circular faces. The children then put their new knowledge to the test by deciding which shapes would be best for building a strong, stable tower that wouldn't topple over!








Year 2

Year 2 took part in Anti-Bullying Week 2026 by celebrating Odd Socks Day and learning about the importance of kindness, respect and inclusion. The children enjoyed wearing odd socks to show that everyone is unique and special. Through discussions, stories and activities, they explored how our differences make us who we are and why it is important to celebrate and value each other. The children shared ways to be a good friend, stand up for others and help create a happy, welcoming environment where everyone feels safe and respected.



Year 3



This half term, year 3 have been learning about European art and artists. This week, we looked at the incredible work of Michelangelo and experienced what it was like to draw upside down, like he did when he painted the Sistine Chapel.

Year 4

In Computing, Year 4 have been exploring digital animation using the program Pivot. They have developed their skills in creating frame-by-frame animations by inserting stick figures, adjusting their positions and manipulating their joints to create movement. They have also learnt how to add and sequence multiple frames, making small changes between each frame to produce smooth and realistic movements. Through this, the children are developing their understanding of animation techniques, sequencing and digital storytelling as they bring their creative ideas to life.






Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed exploring the fascinating work of Leonardo da Vinci through his famous Vitruvian Man drawing. Using measuring tapes and careful observation, the children tested a range of scientific theories and mathematical proportions suggested by da Vinci. They investigated whether their arm span was the same as their height, whether their shoulder width was approximately one quarter of their total height, and whether their body measurements formed a perfect square.

The pupils also explored other Vitruvian theories, including whether the length of the hand is one tenth of a person's height, whether the distance from the elbow to the shoulder is the same as the length of the head, and how different body parts relate proportionally to one another. They thoroughly enjoyed measuring, comparing results and evaluating whether these centuries-old theories still hold true today, combining maths, science and history in a memorable hands-on investigation.








Year 6

In English, Year 6 explored the concept of conscientious objection and considered why some people choose not to participate in wars or conflicts because of their personal beliefs. Through discussion and research, the children developed a deeper understanding of the difficult choices individuals can face. They then brought their learning to life by acting out a variety of scenarios that required conscientious objection, demonstrating empathy and thoughtful decision-making. This activity encouraged pupils to consider different perspectives and reflect on the importance of standing up for their values.







Odd Sock Day - Anti-bullying Week



On Monday 16th November, Town Farm celebrated Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week. Children and staff wore their odd socks to celebrate individuality and remind us that it is important to embrace our differences and be kind to one another.

Miss Keep led a special assembly to raise awareness of 'Break the Silence', an initiative by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, encouraging everyone to speak up about bullying and understand the importance of taking action. We discussed how to recognise bullying, the importance of being a good friend and identifying trusted adults we can turn to for help.

Following the assembly, children took part in a range of activities in their classrooms, including discussions, word searches, bingo, creating anti-bullying posters and thinking about acts of kindness and meaningful actions they can take to make a difference.

It was a fantastic opportunity for everyone to come together and remember that we all have a part to play in making Town Farm a happy, safe and kind place for everyone!







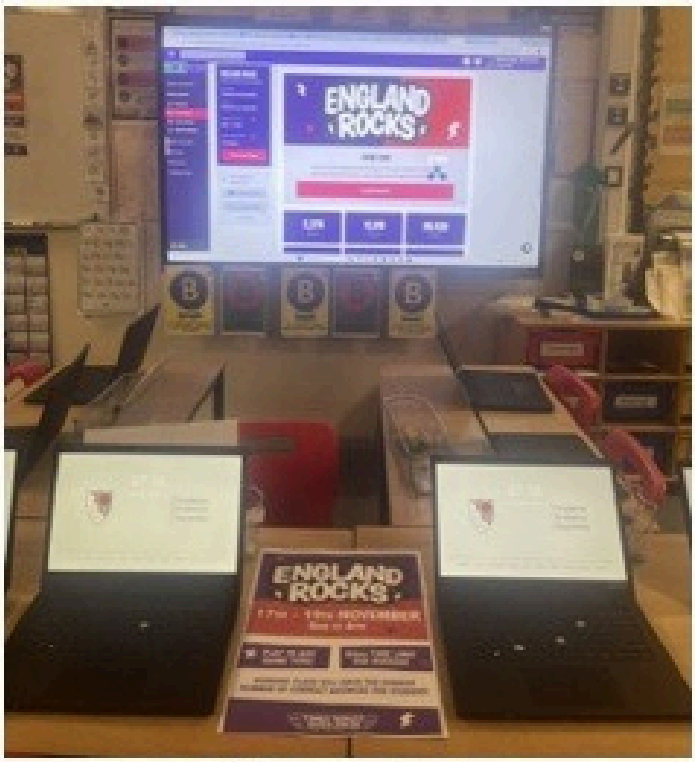


Town Farm Rocks with 2,300 Schools in England!

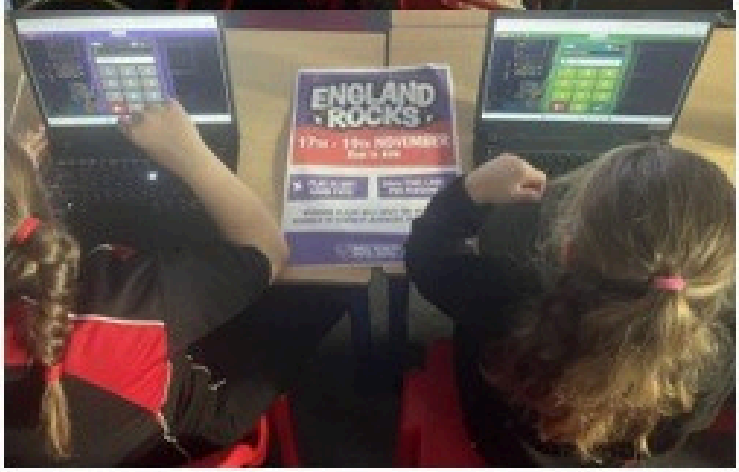
Competitions like England Rocks, on Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS), turn repetitive times tables practice into a shared, high-energy event that boosts motivation, speed, and confidence in maths.

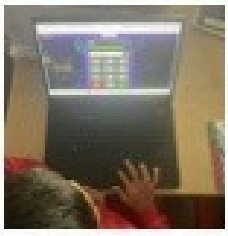


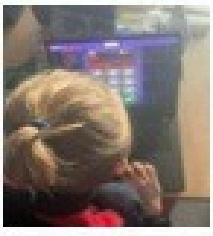


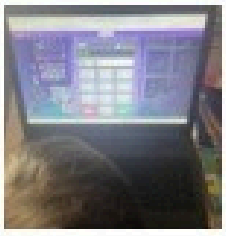








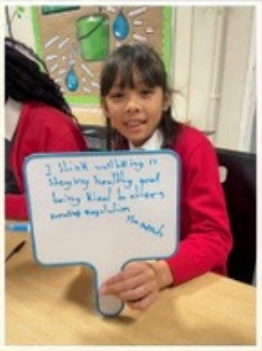




Wellbeing Ambassadors

Our MPs and Prefects had a fantastic training session with Jess from Eikan and Mrs Ravenor. We are proud to announce that 36 pupils are now trained as 'Healthy Relationship Ambassadors'. This means they can support pupils in signposting where they can find help and talk to them about the five ways to wellbeing.
The ambassadors are bursting with ideas and are all looking forward to introducing to their peers to new ways to look after their mental health. Next week, they will create an action plan for the year.





information





Town Farm Primary School & Nursery

OPEN EVENING

For prospective parents of Nursery & Reception age children

Thursday 26th November 4:30pm







- Come along to meet the staff
- Tour the facilities
- See what Town Farm can offer your child

We are delighted to share that the Tesco Stronger Starts blue token vote has now been extended until 10 January 2027.

If you shop in participating Tesco stores*, please remember to collect your blue token at the checkout and vote for our Pond Restoration Project. Every token counts, and even a small purchase will entitle you to a token, helping us secure valuable funding for this important initiative.

Please also consider sharing this with friends, family and neighbours who shop at Tesco. The more votes we receive, the better our chances of securing funding to enhance and restore this valuable outdoor learning and wildlife area for our pupils. Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can make a real difference to our school environment.

Participating stores:
2454 Egham Superstore TW20 9EX
4690 Staines High Street Exp Express TW18 4QB

Our Pond Area Vision



Clubs can be booked on the Arbor app from 6pm tonight

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES KS1 SPRING 1

Starting week beginning 11 January 2027
KS1 (Years 1 and 2)



ARTS & CRAFTS
with Mrs Bennett:
Tuesdays: 12 January, 19 January, 26 January, 2 February, 9 February
Creative arts and crafts



THE BREATHING BUBBLE (MINDFULNESS)
with Miss Paice:
Tuesdays: 12 January, 19 January, 26 January, 2 February, 9 February
Calm and relaxing, mindfulness, wellbeing and self-confidence



PROJECT FUTURE: OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE
with Mrs Barnes:
Thursdays: 14 January, 21 January, 28 January, 4 February, 11 February
Outdoor activities, games, challenges and team-building



PROJECT FUTURE: BRICK BY BRICK (LEGO)
with Miss Keep:
Wednesdays: 13 January, 20 January, 27 January, 3 February, 10 February
Build, create and problem-solve

TIME 3:15pm – 4:15pm

COST £25 for five sessions

COLLECTION Please collect your child from the main office.

BOOKING Places are limited. Book via Arbor.

JOIN IN, HAVE FUN AND LEARN AFTER SCHOOL!

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES KS2 SPRING 1

Starting week beginning 11 January 2027
KS2 (Years 3 - 6)



RECORDERS
with Mrs Winch:
Wednesdays: 13 January, 20 January, 27 January, 3 February, 10 February
Develop musical skills, learn and play together



BISCUIT DECORATING
with Miss Elliott:
Wednesdays: 13 January, 20 January, 27 January, 3 February, 10 February
Create delicious designs and learn decorating skills



PROJECT FUTURE: GROW GETTERS (GARDENING)
with Mrs Elias:
Thursdays: 14 January, 21 January, 28 January, 4 February, 11 February
Learn gardening skills and make the school a greener place



PROJECT FUTURE: SCIENTISTS IN TRAINING
with Mrs Hancock:
Thursdays: 14 January, 21 January, 28 January, 4 February, 11 February
Explore, investigate and discover Moon Camp Mission!

TIME 3:15pm – 4:15pm

COST £25 for five sessions

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Attendance Matters

Year Group	%
Reception	94.8%
Year 1	96.0%
Year 2	97.1%
Year 3	97.1%
Year 4	95.5%
Year 5	96.5%
Year 6	96.0%
Overall attendance	96.2%

Best Attendance this Week

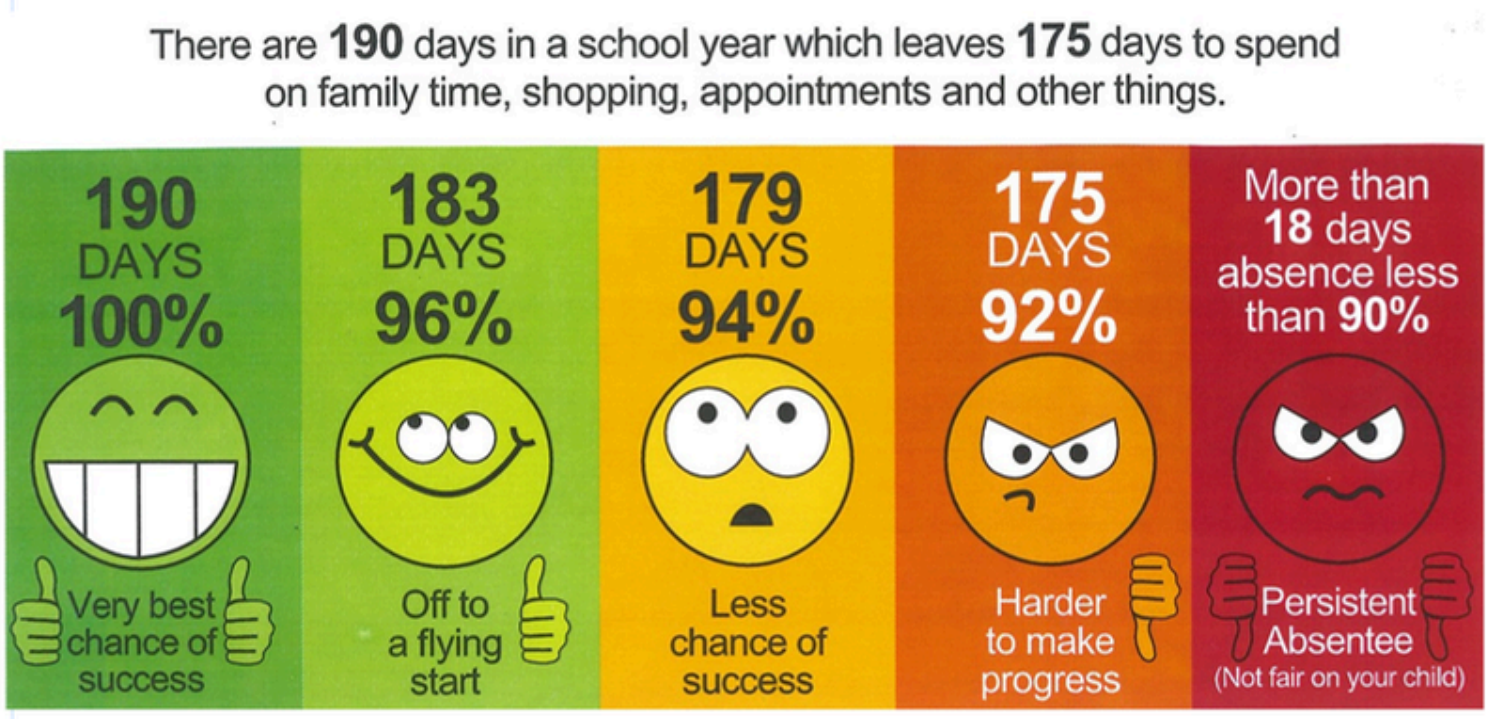
1st Place - Picasso 99.3%

2nd Place - Ahlberg & Beethoven 98.6%

3rd Place - Hawking 97.6%

Most Improved: Ahlberg by 7%





PTA NEWS

TFS PTA

Town Farm Primary School PTA

Friday 27th November

Non-uniform day

in exchange for:

- a bottle of drink - alcoholic or non-alcoholic
- a bottle of soft drink





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TFS PTA

Town Farm Primary School PTA

Christmas Fayre



Friday 4th December 2-4pm





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Tokens for the Christmas Fayre can now be purchased on Zeffy!



Purchased tokens will be delivered to your child in class from Monday 30th November.

We will also have the option for you to purchase tokens after school (if we have enough volunteers - let us know if you can help!)

25 tokens = £20
12 tokens = £10
5 tokens = £5

Tokens are non-refundable.

Tokens can be used on PTA stalls including tombola and games.

Card or cash will be accepted at the Grotto and Raffle.

Tokens will NOT be accepted at our visitor stalls including rides and vendors.

https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/tokens-christmas-fayre

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Town Farm PTA are pleased to announce that we are bringing back...

Breakfast or Lunch with Santa!

Come and join us at one of our sessions on **Sunday 13th December**

Upper School Hall

9:30-11:15am Breakfast
12:00-1:45pm Lunch

£8 per child

An adult must stay and supervise booked child/children.

Scan here to book!

Ticket includes:
- a small food box
- 4 festive activities
- a visit to the Grotto
- a small gift



Adult refreshments will be available on the day for an additional charge.

Contact : pta@town-farm.surrey.sch.uk