



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come towards the end of the academic year, our thoughts turn to the events and routines that we would normally follow if we were all at school together.

For Year 6 children due to leave us on the 17th July, we have been working with our local secondary schools creatively to ensure that your child knows what to expect when they embark on the next stage of their education. For example, Sir John Talbot's School have provided a virtual tour on their Facebook page and will be conducting virtual meetings with the Year 6 class and making phone-calls to families at home.

For children due to start Reception or Nursery in September, we have sent out a Tilstock 'I'm starting school' e-book, provided twice weekly Early Years information clips with ideas of how you can support your child at home onto our Facebook page and each child will also be set-up with an online tapestry account, so that you can begin to link your child's learning between home and school.

Children's Summer Term reports will be sent home on Wednesday 15th July. For children not in school, these will be sent home by email, but you will be able to request a paper copy. The reports will be slightly different from the usual format, to reflect the lack of termly data since the Spring term.

The Government has now agreed to provide free school meals during the six-week school holiday to those who qualify through the benefit criteria. We currently provide supermarket vouchers to the value of £15 per child per week to our FSM families who are not in school (£90 per child to cover the holiday period).

Best wishes and take care.

Mrs R Kaminski

Head of School



NOTICES



Drop off/pick up

Year 6 children:

Drop-off between 8:50- 9:00am.
Pick-up between 2:50-3:00pm
Please park your car and bring your child to the front right-hand SIDE GATE by Talbot class where Mr Paterson will collect your child. Please do not gather at the gate.

Year 1 children:

Drop-off between 9:00am and 9:10am. Pick-up between 2:40pm and 2:50pm.
Please park your car and bring your child to the rear PLAYGROUND gate, where Mr Gillespie will collect your child. Please do not gather at the gate.

Nursery and Reception children:

Drop-off between 9:10- 9:20am. Pick-up between 2:30 and 2:40pm.
Please park your car and bring your child to the NURSERY gate, where Mrs Finch will collect your child from you. Please do not gather at the gate.

Children of keyworkers: Our provision for children of key workers will continue to operate between 8:45am and 3:10pm. Please use the hall door where Miss Thomas will collect your child. However, if your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 6, than please use the required drop-off/collection point and procedure for that year group. This ensures that your child does not enter/exit through other classes and mix with other 'bubbles' of children. I will ensure that a member of staff is on these points at 8:45am to welcome your child into school.

Read Write Inc phonics

To help children learning to read at home during school closure, Read Write inc are streaming 7 phonics, reading and spelling lessons every weekday on our YouTube channel. Each lesson is ten to fifteen minutes long and available for 24 hours.

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/>

Latest DfE advice

Please see link to latest advice and guidance
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-parents-and-carers-to-keep-children-safe-online>

Get Involved

🎭 At a time when we are all missing out on the magic of going to the theatre, The One Show, along with The Shakespeare North Playhouse is launching an exciting new playwriting competition, giving children and young people across the UK the opportunity to see their ideas come to life on stage. We hope this will help inspire the next generation of playwrights as well as encouraging a love of theatre and the arts in children and young people. 🎭 [Click here to find out more.](#)

Headteacher's Award

Well done to all our children for their fantastic work! Please look out for our virtual Headteacher's assembly on our Facebook page, where I will announce this week's winners. I will also email parents to notify you individually.

Please continue to send their achievements to kaminski.r@mmat.com to be considered for next week's Headteacher's awards. Remember you can also share your home learning news with our school community in the pinned post on our Facebook page!



Assemblies

It is also great to see the introduction of some remote collective worship for primary school children, on You Tube, go to: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmEMvgYPXWx8qwOYpsrTaGQ> every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 9:45am. The assemblies include a real life introduction, a song, a Bible story and, a reflective craft activity for pupils to complete afterwards.

WORSHIP



For worship-related activities this week, visit: <https://www.rootsontheweb.com/i-am-looking-for/public-copies/worshipathome31may>

This webpage is updated weekly, with a different Bible story and activities for children based on the story.

#togetherwegrow

Competitions & Challenges

Sport challenge: Richard Whitehead MBE Double Gold Paralympic medallist and 4 times World Champion, is challenging students from across the Marches Academy Trust to complete as many star jumps as they can in 1 minute. To win a medal upon return to school, post a video of your attempt in the comments of the post on our Facebook page.

Biology Competition: The Nancy Rothwell Award celebrates specimen drawing in schools and highlights the benefits of combining Art and Science. The competition challenges entrants to draw, paint, sketch or digitally create artwork capturing plant and animal anatomy. Open to students aged 7 to 18 years old, closing date for submissions 31 July 2020. [Click here](#) to view full details and prizes available.

History Competition: Focus Games Ltd are challenging all age groups to create a unique piece of work; drawing, poster, short story, video, or artwork to celebrate 100 Great Black Britons and their legacy. Entries close on 30 September 2020, [click here](#) for more information.

Current Affairs Competition: UCL open Democracy are running a competition for students aged 14 years+. To enter they need to share their vision of the future by submitting either a written article, short video or image that describes their vision for the world after the coronavirus crises has passed – entries close 10 July 2020. There are some great prizes up for grabs! Please [click here](#) for more details.

WEBSITE QUICK LINKS

Please click on the following useful links to find out more.

- [News.](#)
- [Home Learning](#)
- [Term Dates.](#)



FACEBOOK

Please follow us on Facebook @[tilstockprimaryschool](#) for supplementary home learning ideas, news, competitions and feel good stories. We also encourage you to share your ideas and interact with our posts!

For news from across the Trust, why not also follow the @[MarchesAcademyTrust](#) page.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Shropshire Public Health Nursing Service	0333 358 3654
Compass	0345 678 9021
Early Help	https://shropshire.gov.uk/early-help/
Parenting Team	01743 250950
SEND Local Offer	https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/

