



# Tilstock<sup>†</sup>

Part of the Marches Academy Trust

## Talking Heads

Friday 11th June 2021

### Dear Parents and Carers,

There was a recent quote on our Facebook page that said “sometimes you will never know the value of a moment, until it becomes a memory” and as we step into the final term of this academic year, let’s make sure to make every moment count!

As such, our staff are working hard planning lots of meaningful, engaging memories for our children to enjoy opportunities to create those important memories. This week our KS2 wildcats team took part in the Trust’s Wildcats football event at The Grange Primary School in Shrewsbury. They represented the school beautifully in their kit and I was so proud of their enthusiasm and team spirit (see picture below).

Miss Thomas has been to The British Ironworks Centre in Oswestry to collect our mosaic pack. Their schools mosaic competition has been designed to provide children with the opportunity to get creative and to develop their artistic skills, whilst learning about the beauty of nature and caring for the great outdoors. Using a combination of different stones and pebbles, our children have the challenge to create a stunning mosaic. We can’t wait to share our project with you!

Mr Paterson is busy planning the Year 6 leavers service and activity day for the end of term and in EYFS, parents of our new reception pupils have some exciting transition sessions booked, including a forest school session with Shropshire Wildlife Trust. We will also be including a ‘move-up’ day in July for all children across the school to experience a session in their new class for September. More details over the weeks to come!

*Mrs Rowena Kaminski*  
Head of School



## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### Requirements for PE

If children wear studs in their ears when they attend school, these **MUST** be removed for PE. Staff will not be able to remove earrings or put them back in, so children must be able to do this themselves or should not wear their earrings to school on the day they have PE.

### Lateral Flow Tests

Anyone can now use this service to order free packs of rapid lateral flow tests to be sent to your home. Rapid lateral flow tests help to find cases in people who may have no symptoms but are still infectious and can give the virus to others. <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

### Village Hall Parking

The builder from the site opposite the village hall has been in touch to say that the signs he has put up on the access road are not relevant to our parents parking on the village hall- **please continue to park there!**

### Wildcats

Our team look fantastic at a recent Wildcats event in their smart kit.



### COVID-19 Procedures

To keep our staff and pupils safe there are Covid measures which parents **MUST** comply with:

- Please use the correct entrance and drop off time for your child’s class.
- Please use the village hall carpark where possible.
- Parents **must not** enter the school office – they must telephone the office with queries or any information which they need to pass on.
- Children in school to wear the correct, full school uniform.

### Sir John Talbot’s transition dates for Year 6 pupils

To ensure your child feels ready to take on the next stage of their journey, we have organised some transition days for your child to attend Sir John Talbots for the day!

Monday 5th July  
Tuesday 6th July  
Wednesday 7th July

Pupils will be expected to arrive at Sir John Talbot’s School at 8.45am for a prompt 8.50am start and will depart school at 3pm. They will also need to bring a packed lunch (A packed lunch can be provided for pupils in receipt of free school meals).

### Communication with Staff

Unfortunately, in recent weeks, we have had several occasions where parents/carers have shouted at members of staff and/or have been verbally abusive towards them. Behaviour of this kind will NOT be tolerated.

We understand that times are hard during this pandemic but please let’s work together and be kind to each other.

### PD Day

The normal PD in the Spring term was postponed, due to lockdown, and has been moved to the **12<sup>th</sup> of July 2021**. Please note that **school will be closed to pupils on that day**.

## WORSHIP



This term, in worship, we will be focusing on the value of truthfulness. Our worship next week of term, will focus on ‘Introducing truthfulness and honest’. If your child would like to write a prayer for worship this week, please share with your class teacher.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

Events at a glance:

**Class Photographs:** 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021  
**Year 6 transition days at SJT:** 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> July  
**PD Day:** 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
**Last day of term:** 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021



**Happy birthday to Xavier! He celebrates his birthday today!**

**Congratulations to this week’s Headteacher Award winners.**

Bumblebees: Bonnie & Leo  
Squirrels: Theo & Ellie-Mae  
Otters: Andre & Gabriela  
Badgers: Benji & Francis

## NEWS



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