

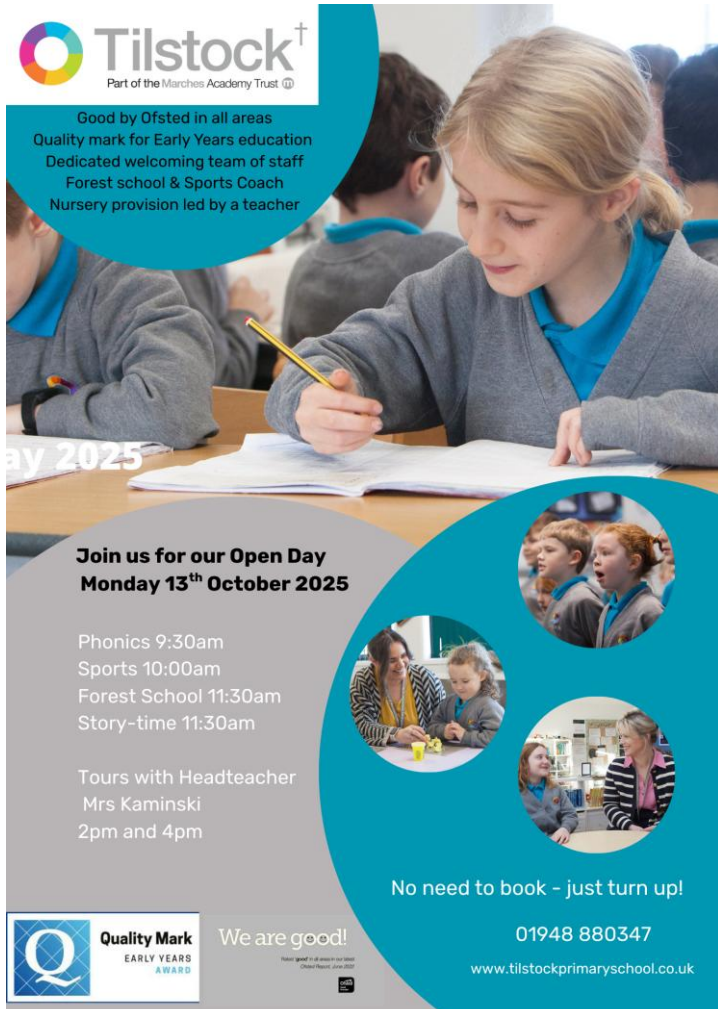
Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move from September into October, the children have also been noticing the changing of the seasons. In worship, we talked about the Autumn Equinox, learning that the word equinox comes from Latin meaning equal night—a time when day and night are of equal length. This marks the beginning of longer, darker evenings and cooler weather. During my learning walks this week it has been wonderful seeing Bumblebee and Squirrel classes enjoying their fantastic new all-weather outdoor area, complete with a beautiful canopy that allows learning to take place outside—rain or shine!

This thoughtfully designed space has quickly become a rich part of our continuous provision, enabling children to follow their interests, develop independence, and apply skills across the curriculum in purposeful, hands-on ways. Our Squirrel Class children have made excellent use of the area, engaging in open-ended exploration such as digging in the mud, investigating soil, and discovering a range of insects and other minibeasts. These experiences have sparked curiosity about the natural world and supported their understanding of Science, particularly the "Working Scientifically" strand—observing closely, asking questions, and identifying and classifying living things. The outdoor provision also encourages: Physical development through digging, lifting, and transporting natural materials; Motor skills—both fine and gross—as children manipulate tools and navigate the space; Communication and language skills as children share discoveries, describe what they find, and use new scientific vocabulary in meaningful contexts

It has been truly beautiful to feel and see the seasonal changes through the eyes of the children, the crisp air, the golden leaves, and the shifting light—all of which enrich the children's outdoor experiences and deepen their connection to the world around them. We look forward to seeing how this space continues to inspire learning, exploration, and joy throughout the year! Take care.

Mrs Rowena Kaminski
Headteacher

Tilstock[†]
Part of the Marches Academy Trust

Good by Ofsted in all areas
Quality mark for Early Years education
Dedicated welcoming team of staff
Forest school & Sports Coach
Nursery provision led by a teacher

Join us for our Open Day
Monday 13th October 2025

Phonics 9:30am
Sports 10:00am
Forest School 11:30am
Story-time 11:30am

Tours with Headteacher
Mrs Kaminski
2pm and 4pm

No need to book - just turn up!

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Quality Mark
EARLY YEARS
AWARD

We are good!



Early Help Front Door Service

What is it? The Early Help Front Door Service is a single point of contact for children, and their families, focused on making sure that the right support is put in place as soon as it is needed.

What does it mean for the children and families? It ensures that you are directed to a dedicated team of Early Help professionals, so you will receive the right level of support in a timely way to help you achieve the best possible outcomes.

What does this mean for me? You can refer yourself for support – The type of things Early Help can support with include: Concerns about child's health, development, or behaviour *How a child is doing at school * Housing or financial concerns * Children who may be affected by domestic abuse, drugs, alcohol, ill health or crime.

The telephone number is 0345 678 9021
<https://next.shropshire.gov.uk/early-help>

WORSHIP



This term, in worship, we are focusing on the Christian value of Hope.
What this means to us:-

- High expectations in everything we do
- Having resilience
- Having positive attitudes
- Working together to achieve our goals
- Understanding each child's hopes and dreams for the future.
- Believing that the world can be better and being prepared to do something

This week in worship we learnt about [The Prodigal Son](#). We also sang the songs [Lord of all hopefulness](#)
[Colours of the day](#) and [Give me oil in my lamp](#).

To watch the story and sing along with this term's hymns, click the blue links above.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Events at a glance:

Wednesday 8th October:- Harvest Festival in Church 9:00am (parents welcome)

Monday 20th October- Monday 3rd November:- Half term holidays

Monday 3rd November:- PD day:- (no children in school).

Tuesday 18th November:- Parents' Evening

Monday 22nd Dec- Friday 2nd January – Christmas holidays

Happy Birthday to Samuel, Grayson, Mollie, Declan,

who celebrate their birthdays this week.
We hope you have a lovely time celebrating!



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