

TEMPLE MILL TIMES



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Message from Mrs Willson - Welcome to the New Year

I would like to welcome you all back to a new academic year at Temple Mill. I do hope you have all had a really lovely summer holiday and managed to enjoy time with family and friends as well as a good break. We are all looking forward to the year ahead and it has been so good to see the children return with smiles on their faces and ready to learn and take on new challenges. It is especially to welcome our new children and families into Reception, they have settled in so well.

Everyone has made me feel so welcome, and already I feel like part of the team. Children, staff and parents have all made time to stop, chat and help me settle into this wonderful school. We also welcome new staff members to the Temple Mill team:

- Mr J. Houghton: Lion Class teacher
- Mrs A Bunting: Cheetah Class Teacher
- Miss Fairbrother- Bennett: Learning support assistant
- Miss Joyce: Learning support assistant
- Mrs Livingstone: Learning support assistant
- Mrs Morrison: Learning support assistant
- Mrs Varnham: Student teacher in Y6



First week, all week

Thank you to all for your support in our First Week, All Week promotion.

Our 100% winners for First Week, All Week are:

Butterflies: Felicity

Meerkats: Hallie

Jaguars: Toby

Cheetahs: Darcie

Leopards: Alfie

Lions: Philomena

Tigers: Dominykas



Happy shopping with your voucher. They will be emailed to you next week.

Important update: We will be moving away from Studybugs and using more interactive features on Arbor - more information to come soon.

Upcoming dates:

26th September - Visit from Cllr Coombs

w/c 15th September - Medway Tests

23rd September 3:30 - 4:00 - Open classroom to meet the teacher/Coffee and catch up with the Principal

1st October - Individual photos

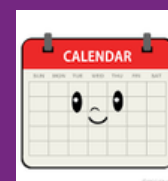
7th October - Harvest Assembly

14th October - School tours for new entrants

15th October - Height and Weight checks YR and Y6

16th October - School tours for new entrants

17th October - Last day of term 1





PE



A reminder that information about PE days came out on a recent newsletter. Children can come to school on these days in the correct PE uniform. Do come to speak to the office if you would like to purchase second-hand PE kit.

Key reminder: No earrings to be worn during PE lessons.

SEN surgeries

In our commitment to working with parents and carers, SEN surgeries with Mrs Caselton will continue this year, using the same booking system on Arbor.

Traffic on site:

Just a reminder that we do our best to restrict traffic on site at busy times as we use the drive to make it easier for our families to walk onto and leave the site comfortably and safely at drop off and pick up times.



There should be no cars moving on site during these times. If you do find yourself in your car, you must not move your car while any of our children or their families are walking up the drive, you must wait in your parking space and not attempt to drive past them.

Weekly newsletters

Moving forward, each week we will share with you key messages, weekly updates on attendance, celebrate achievements within school and share examples of our learning.

We welcome any suggestions of you would like to see in the new newsletters. Suggestions to Mrs Willson on the school gate or via the school office.

Term dates

Please find here the agreed term dates set by our Trust for the upcoming academic year, starting September 2025.

Please remember that holidays will not be authorised during the school term, and that all children should be in school (on time) every day.
PLEASE NOTE ADDITION OF INSET DATE FOR 6TH JAN 2026

Term 1

INSET: 28th and 29th August
Term begins: Monday 1st September 2025
Term ends: Friday 17th October 2025
Holiday: Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October

Term 2

Term begins: Monday 3rd November 2025
Term ends: Friday 19th December 2025
Holiday: Monday 22nd December- Friday 2nd January 2026

Term 3

INSET: 5th and 6th January 2026
Term begins: Wednesday 7th January 2026
Term ends: Friday 13th February 2026
Holiday: Monday 16th February- Friday 20th February 2026

Term 4

Term begins: Monday 23rd February 2026
Term ends: Thursday 2nd April 2026
Bank Holiday: Friday 3rd April 2026
Holiday: Tuesday 7th April 2026-Friday 17th April 2026

Term 5

Term begins: Monday 20th April 2026
Term ends: Friday 22nd May 2026
Bank Holidays: Monday 4th May/ Monday 25th May 2026
Holiday: Tuesday 26th May- Friday 29th May 2026

Term 6

INSET: Monday 1st June 2026
Term begins: Tuesday 2nd June 2026
Term ends: Friday 17th July 2026
Holiday: Monday 20th July