# NEWSLETTER $23^{\text {rd }}$ September 2022 

## Attendance:

Overall school attendance this week is 93.62\%.

Congratulations to Year 4 Snicket who are the attendance winners this week with $97.22 \%$ ! As this is slightly below $98 \%$, no class will have an own clothes day next week.

## Stars of the Week:



Y1: Ema and David Y2: Connie and Oscar Y3: Helena and Isabel Y4: Edy and Zoe Y5: Tayra and Stefan Y6: Kristina and Stefan


## Safeguarding:

If you are concerned about the safety or wellbeing of a child please contact the NSPCC on their helpline: 08088005000 or email help@nspcc.org.uk
If you believe that a child is in immediate danger call 999 . Our school safeguarding leaders can be contacted by emailing stillman@templegroveacademy.com or telephoning 07835946414 / 07943276854

## A Message from the School Senior Leadership Team:

## Dear Parents/Carers,

Another terrific week! Teachers have been busying themselves sourcing work to create new displays in our main hall and communal corridors. We had a fantastic staff meeting run by an art consultant named Amy Bairstow who gave staff brilliant ideas for teacher's upcoming displays! We thank all of our staff for their hard work.

We would also like to say a big well done to all of the children that are returning their weekly homework. We cannot emphasise enough the importance of completing homework as well as regular reading at home. This makes all the difference to your child's learning. In every Friday Assembly we now have a homework raffle where children who have completed homework have the opportunity to win a prize.

Finally, we welcome our new prefects from years $2-6$. Each of the prefects received their badges in our Celebration Assembly today and they are looking forward to their first school council meeting with Mrs Mayatt.

Have a restful weekend, TGA Senior Leadership Team

## Early Years Foundation Stage Newsletter 23 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ September 2022

## Nursery

It's been delightful to welcome all the children to nursery - both old and new. The children who started with us during the last academic year have settled back in beautifully, they have also not only been great role models for the new starters but extremely welcoming. Over the last two weeks emphasis has been placed on helping the children settle into and explore the nursery environment, revisiting learning routines and expectations, and building relationships - with us and other children. Our learning journey for this term is 'Marvellous Me'. The children have discussed their favourite things and hopes for adulthood - we have had some wonderful responses, from nurses to firefighters - what an aspirational little group we have! We have enjoyed good weather and taken advantage of it - explore the outdoor environment - riding the bikes and trikes, climbing up the climbing frame, going down the slide, playing with the musical instruments, construction in and out of the sand pit and experimenting with various different water toys. Looking forward to a year of happy days!
Please remember to:

- return any outstanding paperwork as soon as possible,
- email a family photo to jchavaudret-rainfray@templegroveacademy.com,
- bring in your child's 'Marvellous Me' box next week.



## Reception

This week we have been excited to welcome the children full-time. We have been focusing on making friends, exploring our new classroom (both indoor and out) and the activities available. Our topic this half term is 'Marvellous Me'. We enjoyed reading the story The New Jumper by Oliver Jeffers which is about celebrating one another's difference. After reading we made some amazing jumper creations in groups and individually to show we are all unique and creative. All the children have been following our class rules - to be safe, kind, listen and share. We have started our phonics journey and been meeting the Letterland characters - we found a Sammy Snake in our class and Annie Apple in the tree outside. It will be so fun to meet more Letterland character next week!


## Year 1 Dahl:

This week year 1 took part in their very first computing lesson using Purple Mash and they thoroughly enjoyed the challenge! They learnt how to turn on a computer, open the internet, log on and navigate the program, as well as saving work to a folder. They will come home with their unique passwords so that they can explore Purple Mash from home.


## Year 2 Browne:

During this week in Year 2, we have been completing a range of activities that are all linked to our class text, 'The Snail and the Whale'! For Literacy, we have been learning how to extend our sentences when describing settings and how to perfect our handwriting. During our Art lessons, we have been working collaboratively to create a 3D whale's tail and all of us are very excited to showcase our learning on our hall display board. Well done everyone! Mr Miles \& Mrs Tutt


## Year 3 Walliams:

Year 3 Walliams have produced some fantastic charcoal drawings of toucans and other birds inspired by one of our class texts, The Tin Forest.


## Year 4 Snicket:

We have had a very creative week in Year 4 this week.
The children were lucky enough to begin their Ukulele lessons and played a song together. It sounded fantastic!
In Art we painted some wonderful pictures inspired by the book we are studying in Literacy called 'King of the Sky.' The children really captured the mood of the illustrations and did a wonderful job!


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## Year 5 Blake:

Year 5 have been studying the work of Banksy in their art lessons this term. They learnt that he and many other graffiti artists use a 'tag' so that their work is identifiable. The children were set the task to come up with their own unique tag. They sketched four designs, then chose their favourite to recreate for their final piece. They all look fantastic!


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## Year 6 Shakespeare:

This week, Year 6 have been learning how to round 7 -digit numbers. It has been challenging but they have worked hard and are into the swing of it now. In English, we have read (and watched) Michael Rosen's poem, '2 Languages.' We're writing letters as a young Michael Rosen to explain the muddled comments. We have also enjoyed looking at Banksy and reveiwing some of his more controversial art. In Geography, we looked at where our families come from and plotted the migration paths on a world map. We all come from far and wide it would seem!



## Over and Above Club this Week:

Dahl: Imogen-Rose and Hadley
Browne: Zofia, Tamin and Bobby
Walliams: Grace and Timi
Snicket: Isabella and Lee-Jay
Blake: Isabella and Samuel
Shakespeare: Kiara and Fallon


## Harvest Festival

Dear Parents/Carers,
Harvest Festival is not far away. Reverand Rich from St. Philip's Church will be leading a whole school assembly on Monday $3^{\text {rd }}$ October, which will focus the festival. We ask parents to make any donations to the school that they can. We can accept donations from now up until the morning of the assembly. Any tinned foods or items that keep for longer periods of time would be most welcome. We will then donate the items to St. Philip's Food Bank. Thank you for your support with this.

On Thursday 8 December, millions of people up and down the country will come together - at their workplace, school or with friends - to make the world better with a sweater.

This year will be TWICE as good as before. Every time you donate £2, the UK government has totally promised to give $£ 2$ to Save the Children too.

That means double the funds, double the fun! With all that extra cash, Save the Children has big plans to help mums and babies in Kenya.

With all that extra cash, Save the Children can totally work its magic in Kenya, where, every year, 74,000 children die before reaching the age of five.

We'll help mums-to-be, new mums, tiny babies and bigger kids get the food and medicine they need to be strong and healthy. We're talking 200,000 people you'll be helping - just by wearing a super-Christmassy sweater!

WHAT IS CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY?
Christmas Jumper Day is Save the Children's annual event which raises money for children in the UK and across the world. Every December, millions of people across the United Kingdom (and beyond!) put on a festive outfit at their workplace, school or with friends and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve.

WHEN IS CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY?
Christmas Jumper Day is on Thursday 8 December 2022.

## HOW DO I GIVE?

Use the link, below, to make a donation:
https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/register?cid=eml-
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