



Tiverton Academy

Newsletter



23/10/2020

Dear Parents,

This half term has flown by and we would like to wish you all a restful break next week. The start of the year has been extremely successful and the children are settled, motivated and show a clear love of learning. I would like to thank the whole team here at Tiverton for their extremely hard work and for ensuring that school is as safe as it can be in the current situation. I would also like to acknowledge the efforts made by you as parents and thank you for following our guidance and the Government wider rules to ensure that school remains as safe as can be.

I would also like to thank the many parents who are choosing to wear a face mask when dropping off and collecting their children from school.

Urgent Parking Request

Thank you to the majority of parents who are parking safely and walking the short distance to school. Unfortunately, there are a handful of parents who are stopping in the road, opening the car door and letting children cross the road to the gate. We almost witnessed an accident this morning when a parent stopped suddenly to drop off their child and the car behind almost went into the back of them. We are really concerned for the safety of children being dropped off in this manner and would like to remind you to park safely and walk the short distance to school with your child.

Parent Consultations

Our Parent Consultations next half term will be made via the telephone. A letter will be sent out straight after half term to explain the process to you and for you to select a time when it would be suitable for the teacher to call you. The following dates have been agreed for each year group:

Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 parent consultations will take place week beginning Monday 16th November 2020.

Year 2 and Year 5 parent consultations will take place week beginning Monday 23rd November 2020.

Year 3 and Year 4 parent consultations will take place week beginning Monday 30th November 2020.

More information will follow during the first week back after half term.

Year 6 Secondary School Applications

Y6 Secondary School applications must be completed online via the link below **NO LATER** than **31st October 2020**. If you require support in completing the online application process please call the school office to notify us.

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

Reception Class Applications

If any parents have or know anyone that has a child who will be 4 years old **before or on 31st Aug 2021**, please access and register online via the link below for Reception Class 2021 **before the 15th January 2021**

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

Uniform reminder

Please ensure your child is wearing black school shoes to school. Trainers are not allowed to be worn as part of school uniform. The office has a small stock of school jumpers and cardigans but any items of uniform can also be ordered from www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com with free delivery to school.

Parent Pay

The office would like to politely remind you to set up your Parent Pay account if you have not done so already. Please also remember to keep your account in credit so that it does not fall into arrears. Thank you

Colder weather

In line with DFE guidance, we are currently required to keep windows and doors open when the children are in the classroom in order to ensure the rooms are well ventilated. As the weather gets colder we will have the heating on in school but I am aware that some children feel the cold more than others. With that in mind, I am happy for children to wear a fleece if needs be on top of their school jumper or cardigan when they are in the classroom as we head through the next half term.

Party bags

Due to the recent rise in infection rates we have made the decision that next half term, party bags will not be allowed into school to be given out to the children when celebrating a birthday. Instead, we are happy to take a shop bought cake that is sent in a sealed box. This is in an attempt to reduce cross contamination between home and school. Thank you for your support.

Happy 50th birthday Mrs Ward

On Wednesday we celebrated Mrs Ward's 50th Birthday. The celebration was coordinated by Miss Meah and as you can probably guess, involved lots of dancing!! Our socially distanced class bubbles had a wonderful time dancing outside and it truly was a very joyful and fun occasion.

'Happy 50th Birthday Mrs Ward, love from all at Team Tiverton'

School Term Dates: 2020-2021

Please see below for term dates 2020/21. This also includes Teacher Training days.

Autumn Term 2020

Term Starts: Tuesday 1 September 2020

Half Term: Monday 26 October 2020 to Friday 30 October 2020

Term Ends: Friday 18 December 2020

TEACHER DAY Tuesday 1st September

TEACHER DAY Wednesday 2nd September

Spring Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 4 January 2021

Half Term: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1 April 2021

TEACHER DAY Monday 4th January

Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 19 April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

Term Ends: Wednesday 21 July 2021

TEACHER DAY Monday 19th April

TEACHER DAY Monday 7th June

From everyone here at Tiverton Academy we would like to wish you a Happy half term holiday and look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 2nd November 2020.