



Templars Primary School

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Headteacher's Messages

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, it's great to see everyone again! It has been wonderful to be back together as a school community. The children look so proud and smart in their uniforms and new shoes and have settled quickly into their new classes; we are very proud of the positive start they have made. KS1 in particular, showed exemplary conduct coming in for their very first assembly together on Wednesday. Look out for the Dojo message, or see dates below, inviting you in to visit classes over the next few weeks, where you can see for yourself.

We've been busy over the holidays! Every classroom now has brand-new lighting, and you might have spotted our smart new classroom space too. A massive shout out to Amazon who sent two teams of volunteers who have helped with painting, cleaning, tidying, carrying, binning, washing, ironing - you name it, they have done it. And all in their own time, for free. We owe them!

We have also had a huge sort out of spare uniform which will have a permanent base in the Community Centre this half term. Pop in and pick up whatever you need for a donation

within your means. We have trousers, tunics, skirts, tights, jumpers, fleeces and coats in all sizes. All freshly washed and sorted.

On our training days this week, staff refreshed their safeguarding and first aid training, and got ready to launch *myHappyMinds*—an exciting new programme that we have invested in for the whole school. It's an engaging and fun program which supports children to learn positive habits to support their resilience, self esteem, wellbeing and overall happiness. The best bit? You'll be invited to join in soon as well, so the children can see us all working together to support them and each other.

A heads up: next week we are finishing off a block of work we begun last term looking at our site security. We have been working with an advisor who is helping us to be as safe as possible and to finalise our lockdown procedures. This was sparked by two animal incidents - a deer in the carpark at the end of the day, and a fox who crept down onto the playground one morning at drop off. This work has been planned for months and will involve assemblies and a practice with the children next Thursday - we will be practising an emergency like those mentioned above. Please feel free to talk to your children in advance to reassure them, although they are excellent in a fire drill!

We will be completing our move over the **new payment system next week**. Please be kind to Mrs Morris in the office who has been turning grey this week, trying to sort it all out! To prepare, make sure you have your login for the app, My Child at School (MCAS) and that it is working properly. If you have siblings, make sure they are connected on the app. Any problems at all with this, please contact the school office - give them a call on 02476 4466337 or email admin@templars.coventry.sch.uk

Once up and running, any costs from this week and previous credit and debit balances from Parentpay will transfer automatically. Thanks so much for your patience.

Finally, when downloading our school apps, please note, only the free versions are necessary. Paid add ons are available but only if parents want them.

Looking forward to showing many of you around next week, and don't worry, if you miss out this time, we will be having regular open days.

At Templars we are proud of our values of care, respect and honesty. These values guide everything we do — from the way we learn, to the way we treat each other, and the high standards we set.

HEADTEACHERS AWARD 2025-26



Starting Next Week!

Each week teachers select a winner per class for achievements, stand out improvement, demonstrating our school values and or great learning behaviours. The winner brings home their certificate and then, on the following Friday, they take part in a celebration tea with Mrs Benarous. At 3pm on that Friday, parents can come to the Community Centre, join in the fun, and or collect early as a special treat.

Lunch Menu for next week

Autumn TERM MENU - WEEK 2				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken curry with rice, naan bread and vegetable chutney (Halal option available)	Wholewheat pasta Bolognese with a garlic slice and vegetables	Toad in the hole, mashed potatoes with vegetable and gravy	Crispy chicken wraps with wedges and salad. (Halal option available)	Fish fingers with chips and spaghetti hoops
Cheese and tomato Pizza with chips and coleslaw (Halal, vegetarian)	Jacket potato, beans and cheese (Halal, vegetarian)	Quorn toad in the hole, mashed potato with vegetables and gravy (Halal, vegetarian)	Jacket potato with cheese/beans (Halal, vegetarian)	Tomato pasta with garlic slice (vegetarian, Halal)
Quorn Bolognese with a garlic slice and vegetables	Cheese panini with crisps	Sausage panini with crisps	Vegetarian burrito with wedges and salad	Ham panini with crisps
	Ham panini with crisps	Cheese panini with crisps		Cheese panini with crisps
Served with a rainbow salad				
Potato choice	Potato wedges, roast potatoes, chips, mash, curly fries (difference potato choice each day)			
Vegetable choice	Carrots, peas, green beans, broccoli, sweetcorn, kale, cauliflower, swede, savoy cabbage, broad beans (different vegetable choices each day)			
Dessert choices	Sponge cake, & custard/cream, yoghurt, cheese & crackers, chocolate brownie, cookies, apple crumble, ice-creams, shortbread, gton, mess, muffins, chocolate fudge cake, sticky toffee pudding, custard, jam coconut sponge, jam tarts, jam donuts, waffle, jelly, pancakes, banana bread, rocky road, chocolate mousse, iced doughnuts, gingerbread, flapjacks, chocolate crisp, fruit salad (different dessert choice each day)			
Allergen Information				

Dates and Events

Event	Dates
Back to School for pupils	Wed 3rd September
After school clubs begin	W/b 8 th September
Spark Days	W/b 8th September
Year 3 and 4 Parent Class visits and Q and A	Tues 9 th September 9am
Year 5 Parent Class visits and Q and A	Wed 10 th September 9am
Year 6 Parent Information evening re. SATS and Dol-y-Moch residential	Thurs 11 th September 5.15pm
European Day of Languages	Thurs 25 th September
Macmillan Coffee Morning (join us from drop off)	Fri 26 th September
Year 2 Parent Class visits and Q and A	Wed 1 st October 9am
Prospective parents for Reception open morning 9-11am	Thurs 2 nd October
Year 1 Phonics Tour and Class visits	Thurs 9 th October 9am
Year 6 Q and A and Dol-Y-Moch meeting	Wed 15 th October 9am
Reception Phonics Mornings and class visits	Wed 15 th October 9am

Parents Evenings Tues 3.30pm to 5.30pm and Wed 3.30 – 6.30 pm (no after-school activities)	Wed 22 nd and Thurs 23 rd October
Pupils finish for Half Term	Fri 24 th October
BACK to SCHOOL for PUPILS	Mon 3rd November
Boost Days	During this week
Odd Socks Day – in support of Anti-Bullying	Mon 10 th November
Anti-Bullying Week	10 th – 14 th November
Children in Need Day - wear spots for £1	Fri 14 th November
KS2 Individuals' Dojo Reward Day	Fri 14 th November
Flu immunisations	Mon 17 th November
Teacher Training Day – school closed for pupils	Mon 1st December
Prospective parents for Reception open morning 9-11am	Tues 2 nd December
KS1 Nativity (Mon pm, Tues am and pm)	Wed 10 th and Thurs 11 th December
Christmas Movie Night and Adult Bingo	Wed 17 th December
Be Our Guest Christmas Carols	Thurs 18 th December
Christmas Jumper Day, Santa Breakfast and early finish 1.45pm	Fri 19 th December
Break up for Christmas Holidays	19 th Dec-5 th January
BACK to SCHOOL for PUPILS	Mon 5th January

BOOST Day	During this week
World Book Day	Tues 5 th March
Parents Evenings Tues 3.30pm to 6.30pm and Wed 3.30 – 5.30 pm (no after-school activities)	Wed 18 th and Thurs 19 th March
Photo Day	Tues 24 th March
Be Our Guest Events	WB Mon 23 rd March
Break up for Easter Holidays	Fri 27 th March
BACK to SCHOOL for PUPILS	Mon 13th April
SPARK Day	During this week
Bank Holiday	Mon 4 th May
KS2 SATs for Year 6	Mon 11 th – 15 th May
Whole School Art Day	Tues 19 th May
Break up for Half Term	Fri 22 nd May
BACK to SCHOOL for PUPILS	2nd June
BOOST Day	During this week
Yr 4 Multiplication Check	Begins 1 st June
Yr 1 and 2 Phonics Screening	Begins 8 th June
Dol-y-Moch Yr 6	Fri 19 th to Tues 23 rd June
Transition Day	Wed 1 st July
Sports Days	WB 8 th July
Be Our Guest Events	13 th – 17 th July

Year 6 Performances	13 th and 14 th July
Summer Fayre	15 th July
Yr6 Leavers Lunch	17 th July
School Ends for Summer	17th July

We are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school on Wednesday 3rd September 2025.

Breakfast Club Drop-Off between 8.15am and 8.25am

Morning Drop-off between 8.40am and 8.50 am.

Gates shut at 8.55am. Registers Close 9am.

Collection between 3.15pm and 3.30pm.

Community Activities for Children

Parent Support

I am so proud of the amount of support we have worked to secure for our families at Templars but I worry that too few of you are accessing it. Hopefully, with the new Community Centre, more of you will be able to drop off and pop in to find out what's going on. Working parents, many of the offers are online, and can be watched in your own time so make sure you check below too.

At the end of the day, we in school are teachers with a focus on providing the best education we can, and there are around 660 pupils for us to look after. You need to help us and yourselves by making the most of these services and reading the updated notices I include in the newsletter - I don't want any of us to miss out. If signing up is a problem (I struggle with tech too!) then ask Mrs Swallow for help - you will find her in the Community Centre.

1. One of the first things we have to offer is a **SEND Nurture programme at Templars from Thursday 18th September** run by Michelle Wallace and her team. Look out for them on the gates soon, if you have any questions and see below to sign up.



The Nurture S.E.N.D Programme
Thursdays 9:15-11:15 am
18 September - 4 December 2025
Templars Primary School CV4 9DA - Family Centre

This programme consists of 10 weekly group sessions for parents and carers whose children have additional needs. Designed in conjunction with Clinical Psychologists and delivered by parenting practitioners with experience of working with children who have additional needs or disabilities in both specialist and mainstream settings, This nurturing programme has been specially adapted to be relevant to you and your child.

Parents of children aged from 3-11 yrs with a diagnosis, awaiting assessment or who just have concerns about their child can attend.

The programme includes guest speakers from SEND services and covers a range of topics including:

- ✓ Understanding why children behave as they do
- ✓ Recognising the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- ✓ Handling Anger
- ✓ Self-Esteem
- ✓ Supporting children with emotional regulation

To find out more e-mail: parenting@coventry.gov.uk

To book a place visit:
coventry.gov.uk/parentingrequestform

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2. Want to know more about why your child behaves like they do, and what you can do about it?

Positive family Foundations can help!

We run programmes that cover ideas around brain development, attachment theory, sensory needs, and emotional regulation.

The free, friendly, and welcoming groups start in September.

Enrol today at <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/homepage/1913/adult-education-course-search?keywords=&category=2772>

Find out more about raising happy, secure, and well-behaved children

Join our free, friendly and supportive course – **'Positive Family Foundations'**


This course is for
All Coventry parents and carers with children aged 0-10

What we do

- share information about child development and parenting styles
- give out practical resources and activities
- provide a welcoming and inclusive group
- have a drink and a snack


Where /when it is
Hearsall School, Earlsdon, 1-3pm
or
Telfer Road Adult Education Centre, Radford, 6-8pm
Every Tuesday from 16th September (the course is the same in each venue so chose the best time slot for you. Attend the same venue each week.)

How to join
Scan the QR code to enrol or enrol online at <https://coventry.gov.uk/adulted>



To find out more email aeslifeskills@coventry.gov.uk

"It was great to listen to other parents. There were lots of ideas on the course - I found the section on Emotion Coaching really helped at home."



*Assume you have a place unless you hear from us *

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Find out more about raising happy, secure and well-behaved children

Join our free 10-week online course
'Positive Family Foundations'

free online course

This course is for
All parents and carers with children aged 0 - 10 in Coventry

What you'll learn
How children develop with practical examples to support behaviour, well-being and mental health

What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- give you digital resources to help your learning
- answer any questions you've got by email

Where it is
A pre-recorded online course to watch where and when you like

When it is
Online, from Monday 15th September for 10 weeks

How to join
Scan the QR code to enrol

View all Family Learning courses and enrol online at www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted

'I found out loads of different ways to help my son feel calmer'

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3. Been a while since you went to school? School not a positive experience for you and you want your child to have better? Worried you don't know the 'right' way to help or 'things have all changed'?

The free, friendly, and welcoming groups start in September and mainly online.

Enrol today at <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/homepage/1913/adult-education-course-search?keywords=&category=2772> or using the QR codes on the flyers below.

Find out how to support your child with reading and writing

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online
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Join our free 10-week online course-
'English in the Primary School'

This course is for

All parents and carers with children in Coventry

What you'll learn

The phonics, reading, grammar and spelling used in primary schools and how you can help at home

What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- give you digital resources to help your learning
- answer any questions you've got by email

"This was great as I work full-time and couldn't go to the daytime classes."

Where it is

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When it is

Online, from Monday 15th September or 10 weeks

How to join

Scan the QR code to enrol



View all Family Learning courses and enrol online at www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted
To find out more email adulted@coventry.gov.uk

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Find out more about supporting your child with reading and writing

Join our free 10-week course – **'English in the Primary School'**

This course is for

All parents and carers with children aged 2-10

What we do

- learn the correct phonics sounds
- explore ways to help your child with reading
- focus on the grammar, spelling and handwriting taught in modern English primary schools
- give you fun games to take home and play with your children
- share a drink and snack

"The games have helped make phonics fun. I am amazed by how much my son can do!"

Where it is

Coffee Tots @The Wave Waterpark, New Union St, Coventry CV1 2PS

When it is

12.30-2.30pm every Thursday from 18th September

How to join

To enrol click the QR code or go to <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted>



Find out more about supporting your child with primary school maths

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Join our free 10-week online course -
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This course is for

All parents and carers with children
in Coventry

What you'll learn

The maths words and methods used in primary
schools and how you can help at home

What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video
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