



Templars Primary School

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Message from the Headteacher

Happy New Year to our Templars Community!

It's Panto Week at Templars and thanks must go again to our sponsor - Bruker who fund this annual event - what a great way to brighten January! Some messages from teachers below and I must say having had children of my own who were very competitive but not the quickest to master reading skills, I am pleased that reading stages are being replaced - see below!

EXCITING NEWS: New reading books and bookshelves coming January 2024!

All children who have completed our Phonics programme will now have access to a bookshelf for their year group. Each bookshelf contains a wide selection of books, covering fiction and non-fiction. These are age-appropriate and have been chosen to offer children the chance to select from easy readers, whole series of books and more challenging reads. The children will be taught how to select appropriate books for their reading level and will be encouraged to read a range of books. We are going to continually monitor and update the books on offer on our new bookshelves. The

children's engagement with reading and care with their books will dictate the investment for each year group - so make sure you bring your reading diary in every day and keep your bookshelf neat and tidy. Happy Reading! Mrs Dunkely and Mrs Raby.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Thanks all for your positive comments - the staggered booking system seems to have been really positively received by parents and everyone agrees one club per child is fairer. I will attempt to get all forms open by 8am next time, so you are not trying to book-on while walking to school! I will also try to find a way to carry children on a waiting list over to the next round and give them priority. Thanks too of course to the Parent Forum who instigated the changes and to the staff who give their time freely to run such a great range of opportunities for the children. Miss Mclean.

Places Still Available for January Parenting Programmes!

So many of you are struggling with issues such as toilet training, challenging behaviour at home, sleep and navigating the teenage years. Waiting lists for referrals are long but there is lots of help out there. We have a course starting this week on supporting your children with Maths at all stages of Primary School, with lots of parenting tips too. It's weekly, run by a lovely lady and you get free refreshments in a warm place too! Lots of other providers are running all sorts of other support groups for parents: please take time to look below.

The following programmes still have spaces for parents to book:

Teen Programmes for parents of children in year 6 upwards:

1. **Centre For Emotional Health- Talking Teens 4 week face to face programme,**

Wednesdays at Aspire Family Hub, 9:30-11:30a.m.

Beginning 10th January (flyer attached)

1. **Triple P Parenting Plus Teen - face to face programme**

Tuesdays 6-8p.m. at Adult Education Telfer Road Centre (9 weeks)

Beginning 16th January

Assertiveness and Confidence for Women:

1. **Living With Confidence for Women**

Wednesdays 12:45-2:45p.m. at Pathways Family Hub

Beginning 17th January

Programmes for Parents of Primary Aged Children:

1. **Primary Triple P Parenting Plus face to face programme**

Tuesdays 6-8p.m. at Adult Education Telfer Road Centre (9 weeks)

Beginning 16th January

2. Primary Triple P delivered virtually via Microsoft Teams

Thursdays 12:30-2:30


Starting 18th January (4 online sessions then 2 x 1:1 telephone consultations with parenting practitioner followed by a 5th online session)

To help a parent to request a place on one of these programmes; please complete a request form (3rd paragraph down) on the Coventry Parenting website: <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/parenting>

For further information about any of the programmes please email the parenting team: parenting@coventry.gov.uk

Mrs Benarous

Sleep Tight Workshop for parents/carers of children aged 1 year and over
Tuesday 9th January 1-2:30p.m.
Monday 4th March 1-2:30p.m.
This session will be delivered virtually on Microsoft Teams



Sleep issues are common for children and young people and can have a huge impact on the quality of family life. This two-hour workshop looks at the importance of sleep, understanding sleep cycles, causes of sleep issues and what you can do to support your child to sleep better.
This session will be delivered by a parenting practitioner who has been trained by The National Sleep Charity.

For further information or to book your place on the workshop please email:
parenting@coventry.gov.uk
Please include the following details in your email:
Preferred workshop date, Your name, address, postcode, parent's email
age of child and child's name



Family Learning

Coventry Adult Education Service

Free, downloadable, pre-recorded online courses for parents/carers with children in Coventry Primary Schools or Nursery Settings.

Family Learning is part of Coventry City Council, and we provide workshops and courses for Coventry parents/carers.

These are our three online pre-recorded courses for the spring term:

- 'English in the Primary School' - recorded online sessions COURSE CODE: FL23555
- 'Maths in the Primary School' - recorded online sessions COURSE CODE: FL23554

These two courses tell you more about what our children learn at school and how you can help at home.

- 'Positive Family Foundations' - recorded online sessions COURSE CODE: FL23553

This course tells you about how children develop, and looks at practical examples around raising well-behaved, happy, safe, and secure children.

Where: A pre-recorded online course to watch wherever and whenever suits you (each video is approx. 30 min long)

When: we will email you the resources each week - beginning 15/1/24, for 8 weeks

How: Enrol by clicking 'Enrol online' and then 'Family Learning' on www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted

To find out more:

kate.steventon@coventry.gov.uk or 024 76978730
steve.withers@coventry.gov.uk or 024 7697 1301

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'Positive Family Foundations – Secondary' at Ernesford Grange Secondary School

This free course is for any parent / carer who has a child in a Coventry Secondary School.

We will:

- Learn about brain development in the adolescent years
- Look at practical ideas for helping children to develop and become happy and resilient young adults
- Investigate general theory on parenting styles and family groups
- Consider how we as parents/ carers use rewards, consequences, rules and expectations
- Give out plenty of free resources and suggestions of activities to do with your children
- Consider how we can use and role-model self-care strategies in our own lives
- Discuss the things which motivate ourselves and our children

The sessions are focused on practical information, activities, and resources for you to use at home with your family – encouraging a Positive Family Foundation!

Where: Ernesford Grange Secondary School, Princethorpe Way, Coventry, CV3 2QD

When: 9.00 -11.00am every Wednesday from January 17th for 8 weeks

To join: Just come to the venue at the time of the course, or you can enrol by searching for 'Family Learning' on <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted>

To find out more contact: steve.withers@coventry.gov.uk or kate.steventon@coventry.gov.uk

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50 Things to do Before You're Five

Family Learning stay and play sessions.

These free stay-and-play sessions are for parents/carers and their children aged between 0 and 5 to help parents to support their child's development throughout the early years.
The sessions run in venues across the city each week – just choose the best venue for you.

- Activities and resources for you and your child to enjoy during and after the sessions linked to the "50 Things to do before you're 5" [app](#)
- Share ideas which will help you to support your child's [development](#)
- Address any questions or concerns you may have around child development and family [support](#)

- Park Edge Family Hub (Roseberry Ave, CV2 1NE) Monday, 9.30-11.30am from 15/01/24
- Woodside Family Hub (Upper Ride CV3 3GL) Tuesday, 9.30-11.30am from 16/01/24
- Families For All Family Hub (Foleshill Road, CV6 5LB) Tuesday, 1.00-3.00pm from 16/01/24
- Aspire Family Hub (Humber Avenue, CV1 2SF) Tuesday 1.00-3.00pm from 16/01/24
- Mosaic Family Hub (Jardine Crescent, CV4 9PL) Wednesday 1.00 – 3.00pm from 17/01/24
- Harmony Family Hub (Clifton Street, CV1 5GR) Wednesday, 1.00-3.00pm from 17/01/24
- Moat Family Hub (Deedmore Road, CV2 1EQ) Wednesday, 1.00-3.00pm from 17/01/24
- Pathways Family Hub (Lawrence Saunders Road, CV6 1HD) Thursday, 1.00- 3.00pm, from 18/04/24

How:
Just come to the venue at the time of the course, or you can enrol [online](#)

Website: <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted>

Phone: Steve Withers – 024 7697 1301

'Positive Family Foundations' at Coffee Tots @The Wave A free Family Learning course for parents

These free sessions are for any parent / carer who has a child in a Coventry Nursery / Primary School.

Where: Coffee Tots @ The Wave, Coventry, CV1 2GY, England, United Kingdom
<https://www.coffeetots.co.uk/>

When: 12.30 -2.30pm every Wednesday from January 17th for 8 weeks
To join: Just come to the venue at the time of the course, or you can enrol by searching for 'Family Learning' on <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted>

We can offer a crèche for pre-school children – please email to reserve a creche place.

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We will:

- Learn about and reflect on, our own and other family [units](#)
- Look at practical examples focused on raising well-behaved, happy, safe and secure children
- Investigate general theory on parenting styles and family [groups](#)
- Consider how we as parents/ carers use rewards, consequences, rules and expectations
- Give out plenty of free resources and suggestions of activities to do with your [children](#)

The sessions are focused on practical information, activities, and resources for you to use at home with your family – encouraging a Positive Family Foundation!

If you can't make this course look out for our online courses on [coventry.gov.uk/adulted](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted)

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'Positive Family Foundations' at Hearsall Academy

These free sessions are for any parent / carer who has a child in a Coventry Nursery / Primary School.

We will:

- Learn about and reflect on, our own and other family units
- Look at practical examples focused on raising well-behaved, happy, safe and secure children
- Investigate general theory on parenting styles and family groups
- Consider how we as parents/ carers use rewards, consequences, rules and expectations
- Give out plenty of free resources and suggestions of activities to do with your children
- Give you a biscuit and a cuppa
- Provide a free crèche for any pre-school children


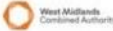



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Where: Hearsall Community Academy, Kingston Rd, Earlsdon, Coventry CV5 6LR
 When: 12.30 -2.30pm every Tuesday from January 16th for 8 weeks
 To join: Just come to the venue at the time of the course, or you can enrol by searching for 'Family Learning' on <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted>

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The newest research shows that the period of adolescence can begin around 10 years and may continue up to 25 years! So, if you think your 10-year-old already acts like a teenager that's probably because the changes in the brain that take place during adolescence may have already started!


It also tells us that this is the 2nd most complex period of development in our child's life. If you would like to know more about this and how to best support your teenager; book a place on the new 4-week programme delivered by trained practitioners by completing the request form on our website:
<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/parenting>

THE TEENAGE BRAIN
 COMMUNICATION
 MANAGING CONFLICT

Talking Teens: your Guide to Understanding Teenagers



MAINTAINING RELATIONSHIPS
 DIFFICULT ISSUES



New 4-week programme available for ALL parents and carers of teenagers in Coventry

Beginning Wednesday 10th January 2024
 Weekly 9:30-11:30
 Aspire Family Hub
 Humber Avenue, Coventry

To book visit: <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/parenting>

Headteacher's Award winners



Seyithan 3N has been an excellent role model in class by showing respect, care and honesty

Lacey-Leigh Woodhead RS for always demonstrating the school values and being helpful

Dawood 2C for always doing the right thing!

Ryan 6H for his outstanding effort and participation during the first week back!

Shania 5F for an extremely focused start back this term. Very proud of your effort this week

Marnie 5A for showing an excellent knowledge of time

Bethany 4D for being an absolute role model. Well done, Bethany.

Ivy 6R for always having a positive attitude and trying her best in every lesson.

Olivia 1P for working really hard to succeed in our Maths work on time and not giving up

Elsie 1K for knowing lots of penguin facts!

Benecia 1S for her excellent effort in Maths

Adrian 4M for a super first week back!

Seyithan 3N has been an excellent role model in class this week by showing care, respect and honesty

Ivana 2FW for consistently following our school rules and being a great role model

Salma 3S for excellent Maths

Jacob for consistently being respectful and hardworking

Learning Champions



Dates for your diary

Event	Dates
Pupils Return to School	8 th January
School PANTO!	17 th January
Year 3 Visitor for Egyptians	18 th January
Parent Forum – Reward and Recognition – 9am, 2pm, 5.30pm	30 th January
SEN Parent Afternoon Meeting	2 nd February
Year 5 Planetarium visit in school	5 th February
Safer Internet Day – Parent Event 7pm	6 th February
Nearly New Uniform Sale after school	6 th and 7 th February
Boot Fund Application deadline	6 th February
New to School Parents afternoon tea with the Headteacher 2pm	7 th February
Half Term	12 th – 16 th February
Pupils Return to School	19 th February
Templars Community Event – Early Help, Police rep. and other services tbc	20 th Feb
Parent Forum on <u>Attendance</u> 9am, 2pm, 5.30pm	20 th Feb
<u>Yr 6</u> to Bletchley Park	21 st Feb
<u>Yr 4</u> and Choir to Young Voices	23 rd Feb
<u>Yr 2</u> to Kenilworth Castle	28 th Feb
Aspirations in Science, Technology and <u>Engineering</u> week	4 th – 8 th March
Nearly New Uniform Sale after school	5 th and 6 th March
World Book Day	7 th March
Yr1 Twycross Zoo	13 th March
<u>Yr 3</u> Be Our Guest Parent Event	14 th March
<u>Yr 2</u> Be Our Guest Parent Event 2pm	18 th March
<u>Yr 1</u> Be Our Guest Parent Event	20 th March
<u>Yr 4</u> Be Our Guest Parent Event 2.15pm	20 th March
<u>Yr 6</u> Be Our Guest Parent Event 9.15 am	21 st March
<u>Yr 5</u> Be Our Guest Parent Event 2.15 pm	21 st March
Parents Evenings (no after-school activities)	19 th and 20 th March
Teacher Training Day – school closed for pupils	Fri 22nd March

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please tell us if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; letters in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone; a discussion with a school colleague of the same gender.