



Templars Primary School

Newsletter 13.2.26

Date: 13th February 2026

Email: admin@templars.coventry.sch.uk

Dear Parents and Carers,

Important notice: From Monday 23rd February, the compulsory school day at Templars Primary School will run from **8.50am to 3.20pm**.

This small adjustment ensures that our school week meets the Department for Education's minimum expectation of **32.5 hours per week**. The change extends the earliest collection time end of the day by 10 minutes.

Morning arrangements remain the same, with gates opening as usual before registration. Afternoon gates will open at 3.15pm Breakfast club provision is unchanged.

Thank you for your continued support.

What a half term it has been!

There has been hard work in classrooms, laughter in corridors, challenges faced with maturity and many quiet moments of kindness that often go unseen. I am incredibly proud of the way our children represent Templars every single day.

Thank you to our families for your continued support — it makes a real difference. When school and home work together, our children thrive.

Over the last couple of weeks, I have had some leadership time away from school, which has given me space to reflect on what Templars means to me as a Headteacher. It has also prompted me to pause and ask an important question: are we all aligned in what we want Templars to be for our children?

What I am striving to build and protect here is rooted in care, respect and honesty — but what matters is that this reflects what *you* want and need for your children too. That is why I am asking all parents to please take a few minutes to complete the short (anonymous) survey sent out by Mrs Leigh this week. Your voice genuinely helps to shape the direction of our school.

Looking ahead, you will also see a Parent Forum date in the new term. This is an open invitation to come into school, share your thoughts, raise questions or talk through anything that matters to you — over tea and biscuits. While this group is often small, it is always thoughtful and impactful, and I would really like to grow this forum further. Parents who attend will tell you that I listen carefully and act where I can.

There is one area where I now need to be very clear, because it relates directly to safety. Behaviour in the lower car park at drop-off and collection is, at times, dangerous and does not reflect the values we expect of our community. No child should start their school day having witnessed adult conflict or narrowly avoided danger; readiness to learn begins with safety and calm.

I need to be explicit: if unsafe use of the car park continues, we will have no option but to restrict or close it at peak times. This is not a step I want to take, but the safety of children, families and staff must come first.

Most of our families live within walking distance, and for those who do need to drive, we are extremely fortunate to have access to a HUGE Lime Tree car park across the road, alongside a dedicated crossing patrol to support families safely across the road. We also provide a wide drop-off window from 7.30am to 8.50am to reduce congestion and pressure at busy times. The school has put all reasonable measures in place; however, staff are not able to supervise or manage the car park.

I am therefore asking all families who drive to take personal responsibility, to use the alternatives available, and to ensure that their actions keep everyone safe.

I know that the vast majority of parents already do this, and I thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us prevent a serious incident.

Message for Year 6 parents: 'A

number of the Y6 parents have formed a committee to organise the Y6 leavers prom. They have booked the venue for the last day of term, Friday 17th July. Save the date and more info coming soon!

Headteacher's Award 2025-26



Every week, members of staff nominate children for effort and achievement to join me for Celebration Tea on a Friday afternoon. If your child brings home a certificate, they come on the following Friday. Parents, carers and supporters are welcome to join us at the tea from 3pm in the Community Centre. Stay for a while or collect early - it's all part of the treat!

1C Tommy for being a good friend

1C Tonvik for being amazing on our Art trip

1KW Vridhi for her fantastic writing in English

1KW Kieran for trying really hard with his Maths

1KW Elias for being a kind and caring friend

1S Logan for listening and joining in lessons

2P Sohan for great participation in Maths and Theme this week

2P Mia for fantastic effort in her English writing lessons

2S Alex for Marvellous Maths!

3D Elijah for always trying your best and for following our school rules

3D Sophie for your amazing facts about Ancient Egypt

3D Emily for always trying your best and being a good friend

4AR Alice for trying her best in English

4H Leo for using amazing adjectives in his writing and working hard on his letter formation

4H Freddie for trying extremely hard in his writing lessons and for showing great pride in his work

4H Faith for showing enthusiasm in her learning and for participating more actively in class

5H Ayana for amazing contribution in Geography lessons

5G Vincent for creating a fantastic, knowledgeable poster about the Space Race.

5F Jamie for fantastic quality English work, neat handwriting and increased focus

5F Seyithan for fantastic improvement in handwriting and English work



















6M Adeola is always giving 100% with a smile on her face and never giving up

6T George for helping Mr Bloxham present assembly on Monday

6T Charlie for helping Mr Bloxham present assembly on Monday

6B Poppy for brilliant improvement in maths and showing real flair in writing

Lunch Menu for next week

| Spring TERM MENU - WEEK 3 | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Beef burger with curly fries and salad (Halal option available)  | Chicken nuggets, chips and beans (Halal option available)  | Sausage and mashed potato with vegetables  | Sausage roll with wedges and beans  | Fish fingers with chips and spaghetti hoops (Halal)  |
| Jacket potato with cheese/beans (Halal, vegetarian)  | Quorn dippers, chips, and beans (Halal/vegetarian)  25042 | Vegetarian sausage with mashed potato, vegetables and gravy. (halal/vegetarian)  | Jacket potato with cheese/beans (Halal, vegetarian)  | vegetable nuggets with fries and spaghetti hoops (Vegetarian, halal)  |
| Cheese panini with crisps  | Cheese panini with crisps  | Ham panini with crisps  | Cheese panini with crisps  | Cheese panini with crisps  |
| | Ham panini with crisps  | Cheese panini with crisps  | | Ham 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, 600 , 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 donuts, gingerbread, flapjacks, chocolate crisp, fruit salad (different dessert choice each day) | | | |

Dates and Events

| Event | Dates |
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| BACK to SCHOOL for PUPILS | Mon 23 rd February |
| BOOST Day | During this week |
| Year 2 Transport Museum trip | Wed 25 th February |
| 1S 1 to Warwick Arts | Thurs 26 th February |
| Year 1 Be Our Guest – phonics | Change of date to Mon 2 nd March |
| 1x Year 1 to Warwick Arts | Wed 3 rd March |
| Bikeability 2 | Wed 4 th March |
| World Book Day | Tues 5 th March |
| Yr 3 Gymnastics Competition | Tues 5 th March |
| Yr 5/6 HADO | Wed 11 th March |
| Young Ambassadors to Coombe Abbey | Wed 11 th March |
| Yr 5 Planetarium | Thurs 12 th March |
| Yr 1 to Twycross Zoo | Wed 18 th March |
| Young Ambassadors to AT7 | Wed 18 th March |
| Year 2 Be Our Guest 2.30pm | Wed 18 th March |
| Morning of Music | Wed 18 th March |
| Photo Day | Wed 18 th March |
| Parents Evenings: Wed 3.30pm to 6.30pm and Thurs 3.30 – 5.30 pm (no after-school activities) | Wed 18 th and Thurs 19 th March |
| Year 4 Roman Lunt Fort Campout | Fri 20 th March |

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| STEM Week | W/B 23 rd March |
| Yr 2 Be our Guest 2pm | Tue 24 March |
| 'Music Around the World' performances | 25 th March |
| Year 3 Egyptian workshop | 25 th March |
| Year 1 to Dudley Zoo | Wed 25 th March |
| Spring Fest | Wed 25 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 | 1st 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 |
| Year 2 to Kenilworth Castle | Fri 26 th June |
| Transition Day | Wed 1 st July |

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| 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 | 17 th July |

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

Get ready for a flipping-fantastic Family Pancake Party



Thursday 19th of February
3:00pm-4:30pm

Join us in making stacks of tasty pancakes, and get creative with our toppings table. Enjoy fun games and activities, with lots of laughter as we make sweet memories together. This session is free, and booking is required. Please contact the Mosaic Family Hub 024 76978160

How to Book

Visit www.coventryfamilies.co.uk
or scan the QR code

A vibrant yellow poster for the Coventry Brick Festival. The top right corner features the date "4TH APR" and the event title "COVENTRY BRICK FESTIVAL" in bold black letters. Below the title is a red Lightning McQueen toy car. In the center is a large Iron Man figure. At the bottom right is a QR code and the website "COVENTRY BRICKFESTIVAL.COM". The bottom left corner shows a location pin for "COVENTRY BUILDING SOCIETY ARENA". The left side of the poster is a vertical strip of six images with red text labels: "MILLIONS OF BRICKS" (showing various LEGO sets), "CHARITY TOMBOLA" (showing a large LEGO dinosaur), "BRICK FESTIVAL" (showing a man and a child), "LEGO DISPLAYS" (showing a LEGO display), "RETIRED SETS" (showing a LEGO set), and "ACTIVITIES" (showing a child at a table).

BRICK FESTIVAL

After the HUGE success of last year, the Coventry Brick Festival returns on 4th April, and it's gearing up to be the biggest brick-tastic celebration for LEGO fans!

Immerse yourself in a world of creativity and fun as families, collectors, adult builders, and every LEGO-fanatic imaginable come together for a day of brick-filled bliss!

Wondering what's on at a Brick Festival event? Hold onto your bricks, as Coventry Brick Festival is unleashing a whirlwind of excitement! With new LEGO activities that include lightning fast speed building competitions to super creative mosaic making rounds, minifigure hunts, a dedicated building area, and so much more, this festival is a LEGO lover's dream come true for all ages to enjoy!

Browse through traders selling loose bricks, brand new or rare & retired LEGO sets, minifigures, accessories and all other LEGO themed items you could imagine – it's the ultimate treasure trove for LEGO enthusiasts and collectors alike!

But that's not all – Coventry Brick Festival showcases a brand new, unique selection of LEGO displays crafted by master LEGO builders from across the country! Get up close and personal, chat with the LEGO building maestros about their latest projects, snag some insider tips, and leave brimming with inspiration!

Hurry and book your tickets in advance to secure your spot on this brick-filled day, as these events regularly sell out! Early Bird tickets fly off the shelves, so make sure to snap these off before they go! These offer an extra hour of LEGO fun and a FREE LEGO gift upon entry too!

Whether you're a die-hard collector or a casual LEGO fan, the Coventry Brick Festival at Coventry Building Society Arena is the place to be. Secure your entry online now – adult tickets from £8, child tickets from £6, and there's even an extra value family ticket available too!

Don't miss the chance to be a part of the most epic LEGO celebration! Grab your tickets and get ready for a day filled with building, creativity, and endless fun!

Book now at www.CoventryBrickFestival.com

Save the date: 4th April
Where: Coventry Building Society Arena

Find out more – www.BrickFestivalEvents.com

Build your own game during February half term!



- University of Warwick, CV4 7AL •
- 7-12 year olds • 2-day camp •
- Devices provided for all students •

For detailed program information and dates, please head to:

www.codecamp.co.uk/warwick

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Use code **EARLYBIRD_2026** until 31st January

REFER YOUR SCHOOL

If you think your child's school would be interested in running a coding club please let us know. Get in touch at hello@codecamp.co.uk



February Half Term Activities

Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, Thursday 19th and Friday 20th February 2026

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| Monday 16th February Mini Olympics Day | Opening Parade, Dodgeball, Football, Basketball, Rounders, Splash* |
| Tuesday 17th February Mystery Detectives Day | Camp-wide Mystery Clue Hunt, Fingerprint Art, Build-Your-Own Spy Gadget Craft, Puzzle Relay Races, Soft Play |
| Wednesday 18th February Crazy Science Day | Slime Making, Hockey, Team Games, Volcano Making, Football, Splash* |
| Thursday 19th February Show Time! Performing Arts Day | Talent Show, Camp Parade, Dodgeball, Cricket, Handball, Soft Play |
| Friday 20th February Party Day | Football, Basketball, CAMP PARTY, Build a Robot (recyclables), Film Day, Splash* |

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| Child Age | 5 - 11 years |
| Camp Time | 9:00am - 4:00pm |
| Wraparound Time | 8:00am - 9:00am |
| See overleaf for terms and conditions. | |
| Prices: | |
| Single Camp | £20 per day |
| Full 5 Day Camp | £90 for all 5 days |
| 8:00am - 9:00am Single Wraparound | £3.50 per day |
| Full 5 Days Camp and Wraparound | £100 for all 5 days |

Book now via eequ.org/cvlife

Online payments are preferred, however cash payments are still available over the reception desk

For Enquires: community@cvlife.co.uk
07526 564473 - James-Dean Sawbridge



Packed lunch, snack and water will be provided for the children!



Special visits to be announced on www.cvlife.co.uk and on our social page [@cvlifecommunity](https://www.instagram.com/cvlifecommunity).



Terms and Conditions:

- All bookings are final.
- Prior to a session being cancelled, we will give 48 hours notice. If a refund is required, only credit notes will be given.
- Any late arrivals past 10am will unfortunately be turned away due to ratio purposes and staffing.
- All children must bring in a water bottle, a packed lunch, a jacket/coat.
- NO NUT POLICY** - please restrict from bringing children in with nuts.
- Swim assessments to take place to track progress.
- * Every child will need to bring a swim kit to these sessions, as swimming is an essential life skill. This is a valuable opportunity for them to learn and practice.



NEW!
Half Term Loyalty Card
Attend 5 sessions, get another day half price!

Meet our team!

James-Dean Sawbridge, Gemma Jackson



Join us for our Term Time Activities!

- Football
- Westwood Breakfast & Sports Club
- Parent and Toddler Soft Play
- Limbrick Primary Football
- Cycling Run by British Cycling
- Walking Netball

Book in-centre: Xcel Leisure Centre, Mitchell Avenue, Coventry, CV4 8DY or 02476856956
For enquires: community@cvlife.co.uk

Latest news, offers and information about our programme: [@cvlifecommunity](https://www.instagram.com/cvlifecommunity) | www.cvlife.co.uk/childrens-activities/



Explore more Children's Activities at our venues!

Including Aquarius Swimming Lessons, Coventry Transport Museum, Herbert Art Gallery & Museum and The Wave Waterpark!

Find out more: www.cvlife.co.uk



Parental Support - mostly free, all expert-led and just what our families need!

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NHS Foundation Trust

COVENTRY SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER

Primary Schools

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year from the entire School Nursing Team!

We hope that everyone enjoyed a lovely festive break and is now settling back into the school routine.

The school nursing service operates **Monday to Friday 9 am - 5 pm**, excluding public and bank holidays. You can reach us using the contact details provided below.

Phone: 01926 495321 Ext 7494

Or text us via 

07507 329 114 (Parent Line)

Here's a reminder of what the School Nursing team can support you with:

- Toileting
- Sleep
- Challenges with eating and diet
- Delivering the NCMF for Reception and Year 6 pupils
- Puberty
- Emotional/Mental health
- Managing behaviour
- Hygiene

Winter Water Safety

Cold weather makes rivers, canals and ponds more dangerous. If you're out walking, remember:

- Stay off the ice
- Keep back from the edge
- Keep children and dogs close
- In an emergency, call 999
- If you fall in: float on your back & shout for help

Stay safe this winter 

More tips:
[Royal Life Saving Society UK](https://www.rnli.org.uk)

Contact us (Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, excluding bank holidays)
01926 495321 Ext 7494
swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

Staying Active During the Winter

Keeping children active during winter can be tricky, but it's important for their overall health and happiness. Regular movement improves both mind and body.

Here are some tips to help make exercise more fun during the colder months:

- **Winter Scavenger Hunt** - search for animal tracks and wildlife
- **Plan a Snack Stop** - Bring along some hot chocolate or warm milk, along with a healthy snack.
- **Go Geocaching** - www.geocaching.com
- **Winter crafts** - collect items for a winter potion or winter-themed arts and crafts.

For more ideas, check out the Woodland Trust website: [9 Fun Ideas for Family Winter Walks - Woodland Trust](https://www.woodlandtrust.co.uk/ideas-for-family-winter-walks)

Can't Get Outdoors?

Movement and exercise can be done indoors using online resources, creating obstacle courses, or simply turning on some music for dancing.

Here are some helpful online resources:

- **Activities for Kids - NHS Healthier Families**
- **Activate with Joe - YouTube** - <https://youtube.com>

For more support with exercise and healthy living for your family, contact the **Be Active Be Healthy Team** - linktr.ee/be_active_be_healthy_team

Free Online Learning for Families from TOGETHERNESS

Coventry City Council offers families free access to Togetherness resources for family wellbeing. Parents, carers, grandparents, and young people can learn from NHS experts and other parents to better understand and manage emotions. Visit the **Togetherness** website and use the access code: **SPIRES3** for more information.

Text via  07507 329 114 (Parent Line)

 <https://linktr.ee/coventryschoolnursing>

 [Coventry School Nursing Team](https://www.facebook.com/coventry.school.nursing.team)

 [COVSCHOOLNURSES](https://www.instagram.com/covschoolnurses)

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Awareness Days January to March 2026

Children's Mental Health Week

[Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week 2026](#) is due to take place 9th - 15th February 2026. This year's theme is "This is My Place" which is all about highlighting how important it is to support the people and systems around our children so they can grow up in welcoming, supportive environments where they feel like they truly belong and can say, "This is My Place".

Eating Disorders Awareness Week

[Eating Disorders Awareness Week](#) runs from Monday, 23rd February to Sunday, 1st March 2026. It focuses on the loneliness experienced by children and young people dealing with eating disorders. BEAT emphasises the importance of community, family, and support networks in helping individuals feel supported and understood as they work towards recovery.

National Storytelling Week

National Storytelling Week takes place from 1st - 9th February to celebrate storytelling and is organised by the Society for Storytelling. The week aims to encourage the sharing of stories and the impact they can have. Storytelling has lots of benefits to children, giving a learning opportunity about things such as kindness and bravery. It helps children understand emotions by encouraging feelings like laughter and sadness. It can also enhance imagination and creativity, and give you wonderful bonding opportunity with your children.

Cold Weather & Child Health

Colder weather can affect children's health, particularly those with asthma, eczema, or other long-term conditions. Here are some tips to keep in mind:

- **Hydration and Nutritious Meals** - Help children stay comfortable by keeping them hydrated and eating healthy.
- **Indoor Temperature** - Remember to keep indoor temperatures at least 16°C to create a comfortable and cosy environment.
- **Layer Clothing** - Dress children in layers for their journey to and from school.
- **Warm Accessories** - Dress them in warm coats, gloves, and hats.
- **Ventilation** - Ensure proper ventilation while keeping spaces warm.

Health Awareness

Be mindful of when your child should stay at home and keep children home if they have:

- A high temperature
- Vomiting or diarrhoea (must be symptom-free for 48 hours before returning)
- Are too unwell to take part in normal school activities

Asthma, Eczema & Winter Conditions

Cold air and indoor heating can make symptoms worse. Things to remember...

- **Inhalers:** Ensure that inhalers are up-to-date and accessible at school.
- **Eczema Management:** Moisturise skin regularly to manage eczema.
- **Asthma Care:** Illness can trigger asthma flare-ups, so quick management is essential.

For more information, visit: ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/a-parents-guide-to-keeping-kids-healthy-this-school-year/

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01926 495321 Ext 7494
swg-tr.contacts@schoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

Text via CharHealth 07507 329 114 (Parent Line)
Linktree <https://linktr.ee/coventryschoolnursing>

Coventry School Nursing Team
@COVTSCHOOLNURSES

LADYBUG LODGE FEBRUARY PROVISION

Ladybug Lodge are pleased to host a range of activities across the February Half Term! All activities must be booked separately, families are welcome to book all sessions types if they wish!

All sessions hosted at: Tiverton School, Ashington Grove Whitley, CV3 4DE

Tuesday 17th February

DANCE

Small group and 1:1 sensory dance and movement sessions delivered by Mollie from Off Balance Dance



Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th, & Thursday 19th

STAY AND PLAY

Sensory Stay and Play for the whole family. Access to Sensory Room, Soft Play, Indoor Swing, Secure Playground and more

SWIMMING

Social Swimming: A sociable SEND swim session with other families. 1 adult and 1 SEND child per booking.
Exclusive Hire Swimming: Private pool session for a maximum of 6 people



Advance booking via the website is essential via QR code link or web address below
www.ladybuglodge.co.uk/activities/holiday
PLEASE NOTE: All sessions require an upfront donation which can be made payable via the website.

Sessions are suited for children and young people aged 0 - 19 with a range of additional needs. A diagnosis is not required to attend sessions. Hoist access and a changing places toilet is available.

Charity Number: 1207790 info@ladybuglodge.co.uk 07301 680835 www.ladybuglodge.co.uk

Sleep tight workshop

for parents/carers of children aged
1 year and over

Wednesday 25 February 1:30-3:00 PM at
Templars Primary School, Templar Ave, CV4 9DA

This session will be delivered face to face in a small group

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 more details or to book:

Please email:
parenting@coventry.gov.uk

Please include the following information in your email:

- Preferred workshop date
- Your name, address and postcode
- Parent's/carer's email address
- Child's name and age

