

Templars Primary School

Newsletter 30.10.26

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📅 Back to School – Monday 2nd November!

We hope you have all had a lovely half-term break and are looking forward to seeing everyone back at school on **Monday 2nd November**, ready for another busy and exciting half term!

A reminder that we have **just one INSET (staff training) day remaining this calendar year: Monday 7th December**, when school will be closed to pupils.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday morning – on time, in uniform and ready to learn! 😊

🤸🔑 Two Fantastic New Opportunities at Templars Community Centre!

Please take a moment to look at the **two flyers below in this week's newsletter**, advertising two brilliant new opportunities for our families, both supported by **NHS Life Coaches and Coventry City Council**.

👶 Active Tots – Let's Get Moving!

This is a new kind of Stay and Play session, designed to get our little ones moving, playing and burning off some energy in a **safe, warm and welcoming environment**. It's also a lovely opportunity for parents and carers to meet other families, have a chat and get out of the house!

Sadly, we had to stop running one of our previous Stay and Play groups because not enough families were attending. That was such a shame, particularly when I know how many

families with young children live in our community and could benefit from these opportunities.

So please give it a try! Have a look at the flyer for the ages, dates and times, and come along. We'd love to see the room full of happy, active toddlers! Jenny is happy for toddlers from 18 months to attend.

🥦 **Healthy Families – Getting Active and Making Healthy Choices**

Our second new opportunity is an **after-school session for parents and school-aged children**, again supported by our Life Coach, Jenny.

Does your child need a little encouragement to put down the screen and get moving? Do you find it difficult to motivate the family to be active? Perhaps you're battling over healthy food choices or would just appreciate some fresh ideas and a bit of professional support?

If any of that sounds familiar, this could be just what you need!

Sometimes children are much more willing to listen to advice when it comes from someone other than Mum or Dad! These sessions offer an opportunity to get active together, explore healthier choices and pick up practical ideas from professionals who are there to help, not judge.

💚 **Please Help Us Keep These Opportunities Going!**

I work hard with our Community Centre partners to bring free activities, courses and professional support right here to Templars, making them as accessible as possible for our families.

But I do need your help! **Whether these groups continue will depend on families coming along and making use of them.**

We have the professionals, the space and the opportunities right on our doorstep. All we need now is you!

Please look at both flyers, spread the word to friends and neighbours, and most importantly, **come along and give something a try.** You might be surprised by how much you and your children enjoy it!

The next meeting of the Boot Fund has been moved. The deadline for the applications has been brought forward for the next meeting from Tuesday 1st December to **Tuesday 17th November 2026.** If you need help to buy school shoes please see Claire in the school office for a form to apply - one pair, per family, per year.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is a message from West Midlands Police about Halloween and Bonfire Night.

We want everyone to have an enjoyable Halloween and Bonfire Night this October half term. This letter is to provide you with useful advice to keep you, your child, and your community safe.

To help start that conversation with your child about personal safety, stranger danger, and antisocial behaviour School Officer PC Smith has created a short video for you to watch together. Watch here: https://youtu.be/hyIRME6G9hU

Trick-or-treating safety tips:

- Accompany young children while trick-or-treating and talk to your child about staying with their friends. Tell them never to enter a property they do not know.
- Plan a safe route in familiar neighbourhoods, use pelican and zebra crossings, and stick to well-lit streets.
- Add reflective tape to costumes and carry flashlights or glow sticks.
- Make sure phones are charged, have location apps turned on, and keep it out of sight when they are not using it.
- Keep a light on in your home to help welcome your children home and make the property appear occupied.
- We ask that children do not visit homes that display a 'no trick-or-treating' sign as this time of year can be unsettling for many.

It is always best to check any sweets, gifts, or toys children have been given while trick-or-treating.

Fireworks and Bonfire Safety Tips:

- Attend a public firework display rather than handling fireworks at home. Never allow children to handle fireworks or sparklers without supervision.
- Talk to your children about the danger of pointing fireworks at people or buildings. Police can prosecute for dangerous use of fireworks.
- Wear high-vis jackets, glow sticks, or give a torch to your children.
- Before visiting a bonfire or firework display talk to your child about a safe meeting place or a time to regroup after the event.
- Never create a bonfire, or start a fire, in a public space, against a building, or next to vehicles. Call the fire service on 999 if you see any fires in public spaces or in public bins.

Always ask: What are your child's plans? How are they going to enjoy fireworks and bonfire night safely?

In an emergency, you can report misuse of fireworks or dangerous behaviour to us on 999. To report non-life-threatening incidents or antisocial behaviour please contact us online by searching 'WMP report' or calling us on 101.

You can report 100% anonymously to Crimestoppers by calling 0800 555 111.

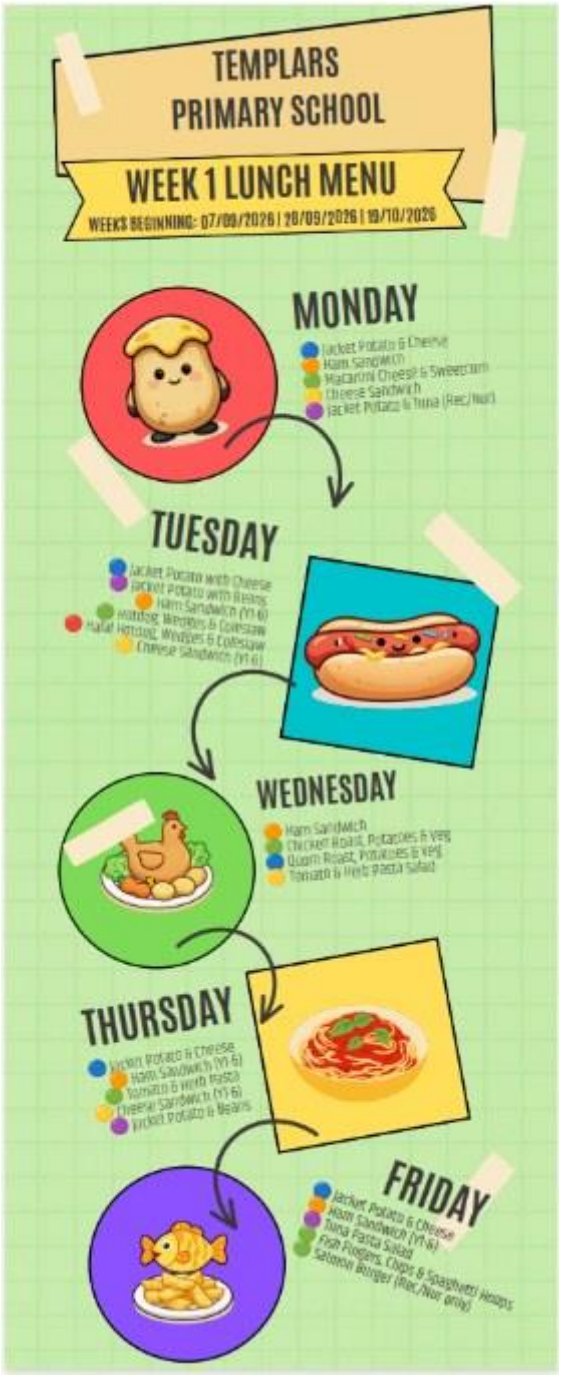
Thank you,

West Midlands Police

Headteacher's Award 2026-27

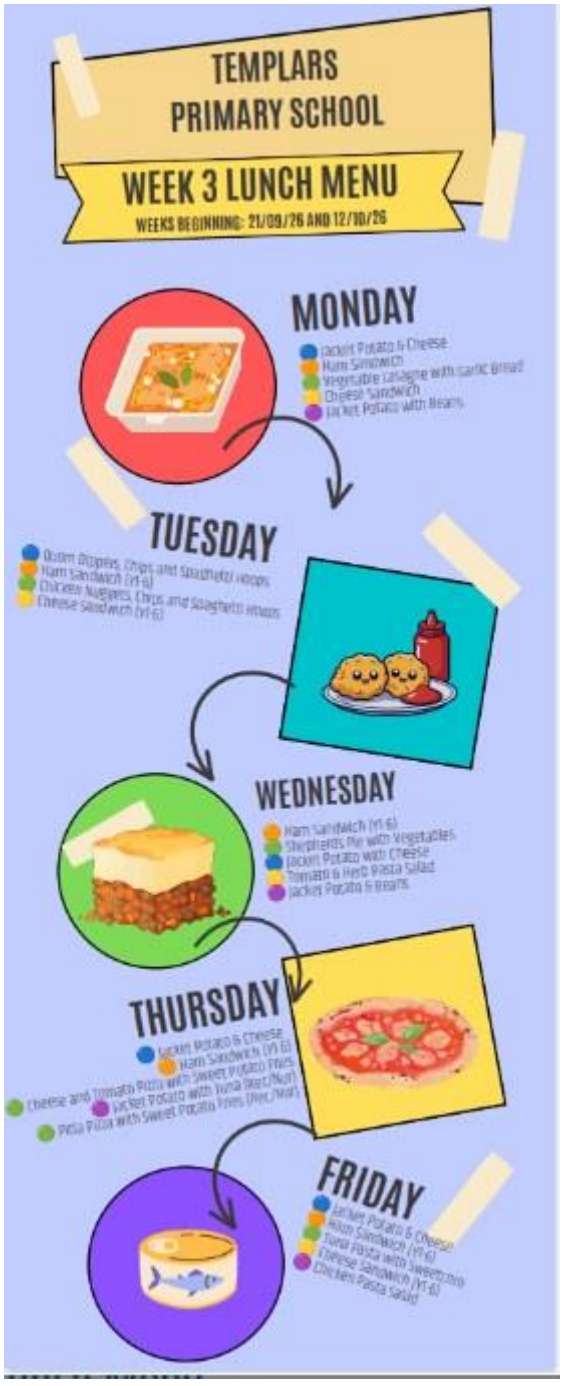


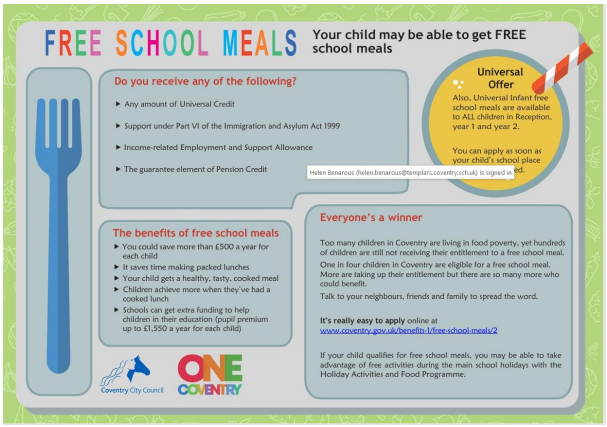
Lunch Menu - a new look for our menu. If you need nutritional advice, please look at the website version here: Lunch Menus



1 - Monday; sandwiches are for all years


TEMPLARS
PRIMARY SCHOOL
WEEK 2 LUNCH MENU
WEEKS BEGINNING: 14/9/26 AND 5/10/26
MONDAY
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Chicken Curry with Rice (Halal)
Lentil & Veg Curry with Rice (Rec/Nut)
Cheese Sandwich (Y1-6)
TUESDAY
Jacket Potato & Cheese
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Wholewheat Pasta Bolognese
Cheese Sandwich (Y1-6)
Jacket Potato with Beans
WEDNESDAY
Quorn Toad in the Hole
Ham Sandwich
Toad in the Hole
Tomato and Herb Pasta Salad
Roast Chicken Dinner (Rec/Nut)
THURSDAY
Jacket Potato & Cheese
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Chicken Fajita Wrap with potato wedges
Cheese Sandwich (Y1-6)
Jacket Potato with Tuna (Rec/Nut)
FRIDAY
Tomato Pasta
Ham Sandwich
Fish Fingers, Chips and Spaghetti Hoops
Cheese Sandwich


TEMPLARS
PRIMARY SCHOOL
WEEK 3 LUNCH MENU
WEEKS BEGINNING: 21/09/26 AND 12/10/26
MONDAY
Jacket Potato & Cheese
Ham Sandwich
Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread
Cheese Sandwich
Jacket Potato with Beans
TUESDAY
Quorn Nuggets, Chips and Spaghetti Hoops
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Chicken Nuggets, Chips and Spaghetti Hoops
Cheese Sandwich (Y1-6)
WEDNESDAY
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Shepherds Pie with Vegetables
Jacket Potato with Cheese
Tomato & Herb Pasta Salad
Jacket Potato & Beans
THURSDAY
Jacket Potato & Cheese
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Sweet Potato Fries
Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo (Nut)
Pizza Pizza with Sweet Potato Fries (Nut/Meat)
FRIDAY
Jacket Potato & Cheese
Ham Sandwich (Y1-6)
Tuna Pasta with Sweetcorn
Cheese Sandwich (Y1-6)
Chicken Pasta Salad


FREE SCHOOL MEALS
Your child may be able to get FREE school meals
Do you receive any of the following?
Any amount of Universal Credit
Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
The guarantee element of Pension Credit
Universal Offer
Also, Universal Infant free school meals are available to ALL children in Reception, year 1 and year 2.
You can apply as soon as your child's school place is confirmed.
Helen Benarous (helen.benarous@templars.coventry.sch.uk) is signed in
The benefits of free school meals
You could save more than £500 a year for each child
It saves time making packed lunches
Your child gets a healthy, tasty, cooked meal
Children achieve more when they've had a cooked lunch
Schools can get extra funding to help children in their education (pupil premium up to £1,550 a year for each child)
Everyone's a winner
Too many children in Coventry are living in food poverty, yet hundreds of children are still not receiving their entitlement to a free school meal.
One in four children in Coventry are eligible for a free school meal. More are taking up their entitlement but there are so many more who could benefit.
Talk to your neighbours, friends and family to spread the word.
It's really easy to apply online at www.coventry.gov.uk/benefits-1/free-school-meals/2
If your child qualifies for free school meals, you may be able to take advantage of free activities during the main school holidays with the Holiday Activities and Food Programme.
Coventry City Council
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Dates and Events

Event	Dates
Flu Immunisation	Tues 29th Sept
National Poetry Day	Tues 29th Sept
Year 1 to 5 Open Hour	Tues 6th Oct 9am
Parent Forum following class visit at 9.30am then 2pm and 7pm	Tues 6th Oct
Parents Evening (no after school activities on these days)	Wed 14th Oct 3.30 - 5.30 and Thurs 15th Oct 3.30 - 6.30
PumpkinFest	Wed 21st October
Yr6 Sleepover at Rough Close	Thurs 22nd October
Half term begins	Mon 28th October
Back to School	Mon 2nd November
Learning to Learn week and Boost Day	WB 2nd November
Year 5 to Tamworth Castle	Wed 4th November
National Outdoor Learning Day	Thurs 5th November
Free Breakfast Club Festival Week!	Mon 9th November

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Anti-Bullying Week	WB 16th November
Year 2 to Selly Manor	Wed 18th November
Year 3 to Compton Verney	Thurs19th & Fri 20th
Children in Need Day	Fri 20th November
Yr6 Doy-y-Moch and SATs Info evening	Tues 24th November
Assessment fortnight opens	WB 30th November
Training Day (school closed to children)	Mon 7th December
Be Our Guest Events across the week	WB 14th December
Craft Day	Mon 14th December
Concerts	Tues 15th December

Christmas Dinner	Wed 16th December
Party Day	Thurs 17th December
Reception classes to Warwick Arts	Thurs 17th December
Whole school Film Club and Dodgeball/Snowball tournament	Fri 18th December
Christmas Holidays begin	Mon 21st December
Return to School on	Mon 4th January
Learning to Learn Week	WB 4th January
Spark Day and Knowledge Harvests	WB 11th January
Tizz Time for Reception classes	Tues 12th January
Whole school Snow White Panto	Thurs 21st January
Children's Mental Health Week	WB 1st February
Internet Safety Day	Tues 9th February
Half Term begins	Mon 15th February
Return to School	22nd February
Boost Days	WB 22nd February

Parents Evening (no after school activities)	Wed 3rd March 3.30 - 5.30 and Thurs 4th March 3.30 - 6.30
World Book Day	Thurs 4th March
STEM week	WB 8th March
Assessment Fortnight opens	WB 8th March
Be Our Guest Events	WB 22nd March
SpringFest	Wed 24th March
Easter break begins	Mon 29th March
Return to School	Mon 12th April
Spark Day and Knowledge Harvest	WB Mon 12th April
Whole School Art Day	Thurs 29th April
Bank Holiday	Mon 3rd May
Yr6 SATs Week	WB 10th May
Yr 6 Learning to Learn Transition Week	WB 17th May
Outdoor Classroom Day	Thurs 20th May
Year6 Dol-Y-Moch Week	WB Mon 24th May

Careers Week	WB 24th May
Half Term begins	Mon 31st May
Return to School	Mon 7th June
Year 4 Multiplication Check Fortnight opens	WB 7th June
SEN Parent Meetings	WB 7th June
Sports Day (new and improved!)	WB 5th June
Transition Day	Wed 7th July
Be Our Guest Events	WB 12th July
Year 6 Leavers events	WB 19th July
Last Day of School	Wed 21st July

Breakfast Club Drop-Off between 8.15am and 8.25am

Morning Drop-off between 8.40 am and 8.50 am

Gates shut at 8.50am. Collection 3.20pm

Community Events for Pupils

Support for Parents







2 - Come and join in.

HOPE CAFÉ

MEN'S DROP-IN

A SAFE SPACE FOR MEN

18+



SUNDAY NIGHTS • 6:30–8:00 PM

FREE ENTRY + FREE CAFÉ

STARTS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH

ACTIVITIES

DARTS • TABLE TENNIS

POOL • BOARD GAMES

GOOD FOOD • GOOD GAMES • GOOD COMPANY



COMMUNITY FUND

WHERE:

St Christopher Church Hall, Allesley Park CV5 8NJ telephone: 02476672879