

TPS Newsletter 9.5.22

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A very warm welcome back, although by now, it feels like you have never been away! September is my favourite time of year— back in routine, back with my friends and learning loads. Just like the children! We have many new families joining our community this year and I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to Templars.

The pupils in all year groups are settling exceptionally well. It takes time for new friendships to cement, for children to trust their new teachers and to learn the new expectations but our Pastoral Team are on hand to help. You can support your children by reassuring them that we are all working together to keep them safe and helping them grow and learn.

If you want to know what your children will be learning this term, please take a look at the pupil pages on the school website.

By putting all of our Teacher Training days at the beginning of the year, I can reassure you that there will be no further days this year, until the last two days of the year. Hopefully, this is particularly helpful for working parents. Our 3 day Training Conference was packed with learning on keeping pupils safe, supporting pupils with special educational needs and the latest research on teaching reading and writing. Once again, all staff are committed to achieving our aspirations for all pupils.

Every Child, Every Day, Every Chance this week:



Some thoughts from our pupils this week:

'She looks kind.'

'We had fun at her Jubilee.'

'I would thank her for making our country great.'

'We will remember her.'

'I wish I had a chance to meet her and say thank you.'

'I like corgis too.'

'Do you know she was older than my mum?'

'She was good to her country and other countries too.'

Role Models

Does your child become overwhelmed by big feelings?

73% of parents feel that they should invest more in their child's social and emotional well-being. We're here to help you. During this webinar, we'll unpick:

- What's going on behind these big feelings
- How to stay calm as a parent
- What can I do and say in the moment to support my child?

Join role models on line, on Tuesday 20th Sep at 7.30 pm

Register here:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/3416564091687/WN_Gf7Qmaw_Quyw6gG99IWjgw)

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Community Help:

We will be holding another quality, second-hand uniform event very soon. In the meantime, if you need some financial help to buy school shoes, Coventry Boot Fund may be able to help. The next deadline for applications is TUESDAY 20th September 2022. More information and application forms are available from Mrs Morris in the school office. Please ring 02476 466337 or email: admin@templars.coventry.sch.uk



Dates for your Diary:

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Friday 30th September

SEND Coffee Morning: Wednesday 5th October

Reception Open Morning: Wednesday 12th October

New to School parents Years 1-6 Afternoon Tea: Wednesday 12th October

World Mental Health Day: 10.10.22

Dol-y-Moch Yr6 Residential: W/b 7.11.22

Children in Need (Wear your spots): 12.11.22

Boot Fund deadlines : Tuesday 22nd November 2022, Tuesday 7th February, 2023 Tuesday 9th May 2023

Headteacher Awards

Autumn 1 16th September

6S Ava-Lily this week. She has worked incredibly hard in our first week back, has helped with various jobs around the classroom, read every night and brought in extra homework!

Madison in 4R. She always works hard, is trying to be more independent and has grown in confidence a lot just in the first week!

Blake 3S from Miss Rubidge who has been to see her every day with some fantastic Maths, English and Art learning.

Logan 4D has been working really hard since day number one. He is a super friend, very kind, keen to learn and always there for his peers. Excellent behaviour - an absolute role model.

1C go to Koba He has made an amazing start to the school year, he has been really helpful at lunchtimes by supporting his classmates.

2L go the Brayan please for making an outstanding start to year 2 and being very supportive to his class mates.

Mamie 6R for participating in all class discussions this week and for being a helpful individual. Miss Raby wouldn't have survived her first full week without Mamie's help with the whiteboard!

Rian 4M: for an outstanding start to Year 4! He is always kind, enthusiastic and ready to learn - a fantastic role model in 4M.

5DG – Lauren for showing great commitment to her learning by completing her spellings on seesaw, using TTrack-stars and reading at home every night.

Husaina for a headteacher's award this week, as she has done a great job of settling into her new class, always makes sure to follow our class rules and always puts fantastic effort into her work.

2A- Kayla An excellent start to year 2. Followed values of Templars beautifully and is considerate towards her fellow classmates. Always tries hard in all lessons and wants to complete her work to the highest standard.

Ronan in 6F. I have had good comments from his Maths teacher, he is being organised, reading every day and putting in lots of effort.

Afrina 5G for using fantastic descriptions for our 'battle cries' in English and taking ownership to improve what she has written.

Ethan 3N. He always makes sure that the children around him are also listening and following the teacher's signals.

Arianna 3S for having a growth mind set all week and trying her best at everything that she does.

Jacob 3H. Every single lesson, he has participated and tried his best. He has also progressed in reading as he has now advanced to level 10!

Rohey 5G for having a fantastic start to Year 5 and for showing a great positive attitude towards her learning.

2H go to Jessica, for settling so well into Year 2 and for always following our classroom school rules and for being a super kind friend!



Family Learning

Coventry Adult Education Service

The Family Learning Team are part of CCC Coventry Adult Education Service. We deliver programmes that promote strong, positive relationships within families; enabling parents and carers to support their children's learning and development. Programmes are always free, and open to all parents / carers of children aged 0-11, whatever their experience or ability. The Family Learning team are all qualified teachers with recent and relevant school experience, each holding a current DBS disclosure.

Our wide range of free programmes are designed specifically for families. Parents and carers come along to a welcoming, friendly group where, as well as taking part in the course, they meet other people with children of a similar age and share ideas and experiences. Our courses are not accredited (so no assessments or exams), and usually last for 2 hours per week, over five or ten weeks. Each course covers child development; sharing knowledge about the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and / or Primary curriculum so that parents have a greater understanding of how children learn. We provide free resources for families to use at home with their children. We also spend time in sessions demonstrating and making inexpensive games to make learning fun.

Within **Family Learning** we have three main types of courses:

- Our **Wider Family Learning (WFL)** programmes are sessions which parents and carers attend with their pre-school children. The sessions are suitable for all children aged 0 – 4 years old and siblings are welcome with parents. For children aged 3 - 4 there is a focus of 'Getting Ready for School.'

Each session encourages parents and children to spend quality time together, try out new activities and develop their creative skills. Topics are based on the EYFS curriculum and include craft, stories, singing, music making, physical movement, number, shape, and seasonal crafts celebrating nature and cultural festivals. We provide parents / carers with a greater understanding of child development and the EYFS curriculum, so they can support their children with fun learning activities outside of sessions. Parents also value the opportunity to chat in a relaxed and safe environment, making friends with other parents in the group, as well utilising the experience of our Early Years tutors. Wider Family Learning sessions usually take place in Family Hubs across Coventry.

Each Wider Family Learning course has a focus, including:

- MAC Tots (music, art, craft)
- Healthy Tots (routine, food, exercise, sleep patterns)
- Spring Fun (the world around and the changing season)
- Time to Talk (language development)
- Spaces and places (using the outside environment)
- Stories and Play (activities built around a different story book each week)

Our **Family English, Maths and Language (FEML)** programmes are sessions just for parents and carers. These programmes aim to give parents and carers the skills, knowledge and confidence to support their child's development. Courses are developed in partnership with schools and concentrate on specific age groups of the children. Parents are given an insight into the National Curriculum, their child's stage of learning, and the teaching methods used in British primary schools. We cover curriculum knowledge (such as pronouncing phonemes) and explain the vocabulary used in schools (such as 'partitioning' or 'fronted adverbial'). We give parents free resources, such as number fans and phonics cards, and during sessions parents make creative games to support their child's learning and development at home. A major focus for all our sessions is around engaging positively with our children. We give parents more knowledge about the curriculum and equip them with ideas and fun activities to do at home.

Programmes include:

- English in the Primary School
- Maths in the Primary School
- Science in the Primary School
- All about SATs (Key Stage 1 or 2)
- Getting Ready for School (for parents of children about to join / started reception)
- Positive Family Foundations (a nurture-based parenting programme incorporating practical information, activities, and resources inspired by Triple P, Emotion Coaching, Thrive and Family Matters. It uses ideas around brain development, sensory regulation and attachment theory to help parents / carers understand and support their children's development and how they can calmly and positively influence behaviour.)

FEML Family Learning sessions usually take place during the school day, in schools across Coventry. Just parents from that school are invited to attend, so the course is bespoke, following the routeway / scheme of work for the specific school. We offer a free creche for pre-school siblings in some schools. Other FEML sessions take place in community venues, attended by any Coventry based parent with primary aged children. Online sessions are being developed for parents who cannot attend during the school day.

- Our **Triple P – Parenting Plus** courses incorporate the principles of Family Learning to deliver the evidence based Triple P Positive Parenting Programme. We deliver the Core Group programme for parents of children under 10, and the Teen programme for parents of children over 10. We consider difficulties in managing children's behaviour and look at strategies to parent positively. The sessions focus on building positive relationships to encourage desirable behaviour, along with strategies to deal with difficulties with behaviour. The sessions are run in a relaxed and friendly way and parents welcome the opportunity to meet with other parents. We spend time thinking about the development stage of children, looking at spending positive quality time with them. We provide resources and ideas for activities to do at home.

Many parents decide to enrol on the Triple P course themselves, and some are referred by school, health visitors or social care. Triple P – Parenting Plus sessions take place at community venues and schools across Coventry, and we also have online courses. There are daytime and evening options, and we offer a free creche for pre-school children in some venues.

To find out more about Family Learning:

kate.steventon@coventry.gov.uk or 024 7697 8730

steve.withers@coventry.gov.uk or 024 7697 1301

Family Learning course information can be found through individual schools, online at <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted>, in the Choice Magazine which is delivered three times a year to all homes within Coventry, and on local social media.

Autumn Fun

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 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.

We will:

- Share activities and resources with you and your child to enjoy during and after the sessions
- Share ideas which will help you to support your child's development
- Address any questions or concerns you may have and child development and family support

Where:

- **Woodside Hub** (Upper Ride CV3 3GL) Tuesdays, 9.30-11.30 from 20/09/22
- **Aspire Hub** (Humber Avenue, CV1 2SF) Tuesdays, 1-3pm from 20/09/22
- **Pathways Hub** (Lawrence Saunders Road, CV6 1HD) Thursdays, 1- 3pm, from 22/09/22
- **Moat Hub** (Deedmore Road, CV2 1EQ) Fridays, 9.30-11.30 from 23/09/22
- **Families for All Hub** (454 Foleshill Road, CV6 5LB) Fridays, 1-3pm from 23/09/22

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

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Free, downloadable, 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, autumn term, online courses:

- English in the Primary School - recorded online sessions course code FL22517
- Maths in the Primary School - recorded online sessions course code FL22516

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 FL22505

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

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

When: Week beginning 19/9/22, for 10 weeks

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

To find out more:

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'Positive Family Foundations' at Harmony Hub
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: Harmony Family Hub, Clifton St, Hillfields, Coventry CV1 5GR

When: 1-3pm every Monday, starting September 19th, for 10 weeks (if you need to leave early for school pick up that's fine)

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

There is a free crèche available for pre-school children – please let us know by email if you require a place.

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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