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TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter

Friday, 6th November 2026

Next issue: Friday 20th Nov

Key Reminders



Who to contact at school

Head@tootingprimary.org
for confidential matters/concerns
Discoveryzone@tootingprimary.org
for matters relating to the Base
Parents@tootingprimary.org
for messages to class teachers

The school gates open at **8.45am** and close at **8.55am**.

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Please remember to check that we have enough of your child's medication.

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Email any changes to the collection of your child.

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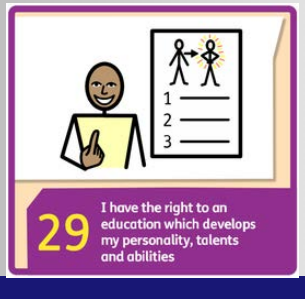
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TPA Newsletter

Article of the week

Article 29 –the aims of education

Children have the right to an education that develops their talents, aspiratiosn and abilities.



It's another busy half term for us all at TPS. Keep an eye on the diary dates below!

Important Dates Autumn 2

12.11.26 Jamie's Farm
25.11.26 Dick Whittington Panto
27.11.26 Y4 Trip to Burntwood Cressida Cowell (author)
02.12.26 Wreath Making 7-9.30pm
03.12.26 TPS KS2 Choir @ St Nicholas Church,
Christmas lights switch on
04.12.26 Jingle Mingle 3.30-5pm

Christmas productions

08.12.26 Y4 and Y6 @ Graveney 10.15am
09.12.26 Year 1 parents @TPS
10.12.26 Year 2 parents @TPS
11.12.26 Reception parents @TPS
11.12.26 Y3 and Y5 @ Graveney 10.15am

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10.12.26 Christmas Jumper day and Christmas lunch
15.12.26 Silver Rights Respecting assessment
16.12.26 Autumn Term Reports
17.12.26 End of Term - 2pm
04.01.27 INSET - no pupils at school
05.01.27 Pupils back to school

Journey to Rights Respecting School Award

Our Rights Ambassadors

At TPS we are going for Silver which is the second stage of the Rights Respecting Schools Award.

This means we are:

Teaching and learning about rights
Teaching and learning through rights
Being ambassadors for the rights of others.

Each week our **Rights Champs,** as they want to be known, do a brilliant job of sharing an article of the week in assembly.

The article this week is **Article 29**. Please have a look out around the school for the posters they designed about this article

We are making connections with the articles to our learning in school. We have articles linked to our learning and have these on any displays around the school. Which articles have you seen?

See how the rights are woven into our newsletter



Article 42 – Knowing Your Rights
Children should learn about their rights.

A Rights Respecting School

A Rights Respecting School is a community where children's rights are learned, taught, practised, respected, protected and promoted.

Children are Rights holders and adults are Duty bearers.

Each TPS class has a Class Charter, an agreement between adults and children, children and children, stating how they will relate to /with each other- respecting each other's rights.

The ABCDE of Rights

A Rights are for all children UNIVERSAL
B Rights are there at birth - INHERENT
C Rights cannot be taken away INALIENABLE
D Rights Do Not have to be earnt UNCONDITIONAL
E All rights are equally important INDIVISIBLE





Remembrance Sunday

'Lest we forget'

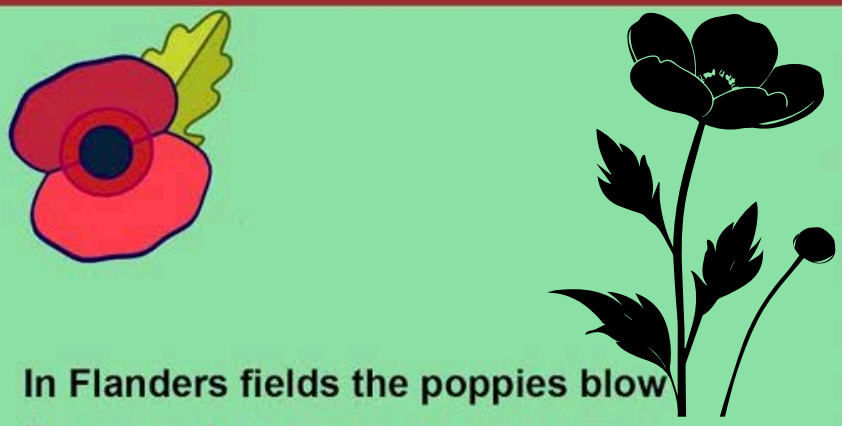
🌺 Remembrance Sunday 🌺

As Remembrance Sunday approaches this weekend, we take a moment to remember and honour all those who made the ultimate sacrifice to keep us safe and protect the freedoms we enjoy today.

We remember their courage, bravery and selflessness, and reflect on the importance of ensuring that their sacrifices are never forgotten.

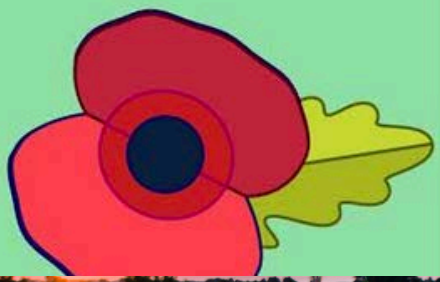
Please take a moment to look at the wonderful compilation from KS2 supported by our History Lead, Miss Sentance, as they explored the importance of remembrance.

We will remember them. ❤️



In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning,
We will remember them.







Remembrance at TPS

Miss Sentance was lucky enough to have some helpers from Year 5 and 6 who lead our Remembrance Assembly with such maturity and confidence. Here are some of their points:

"We remember people who have lost their lives in wars and conflicts and soldiers who served their countries."

-Alejandro

"We also remember nurses, doctors, families and ordinary people whose lives have been changed by conflict."

-Sebastian

"Remembrance is about more than wearing a poppy; it is about remembering people and hoping for a peaceful world."

-Nirali

"When we think about war, we might imagine soldiers fighting, but war affects everyone."

-Frankie





"Every year, people pause for two minutes of silence. This gives everyone a chance to stop, think and remember."

-Beatrice

Remembrance at TPS

We will remember them.

"Poppies grew in the fields where some of the fighting had taken place. They became a symbol of remembering those who had died.

-Hayfa

Sadly, not every child in the world is safe. Every child deserves to feel safe and grow up in peace."

-Kiara

"We all want a future where everyone is respected and can live in peace."

-Eliza

"Some of these people may have lived in streets just like ours. Their names were recorded so that we would remember them."

-Ardi



"Remembrance is part of our own local history here in Tooting."

-Aahil

Our Young Leaders

Sports Leaders

Gabi – Juno
Aria – Juno
Maleek – Juno
Alex – Juno
Navid – Juno
Henry – Juno
Krish – Juno
Beatrice – Ariel
Hope – Ariel
Kiara – Ariel
Rudyann – Ariel
Jeanne – Ariel
Zayn – Ariel
Zak – Ariel

Junior Librarians

Hayfa- Ariel
Hope- Ariel
Kiara - Ariel
Rudyann Ariel
Henry- Juno
Navid- Juno
Ronan- Juno

Our young leaders were given their leader badges in assembly today. A sign of the responsible role they hold.

Eco Warriors

Lena - Enterprise
Damian - Atlantis
Jay - Gemini
Maddox - Endeavour
Myla - Jupiter
Mitchell - Viking
Beni - Mariner
Finley - Pioneer
Charlie - Mir
Julie - Selene
Maleek - Juno
Zoya - Ariel

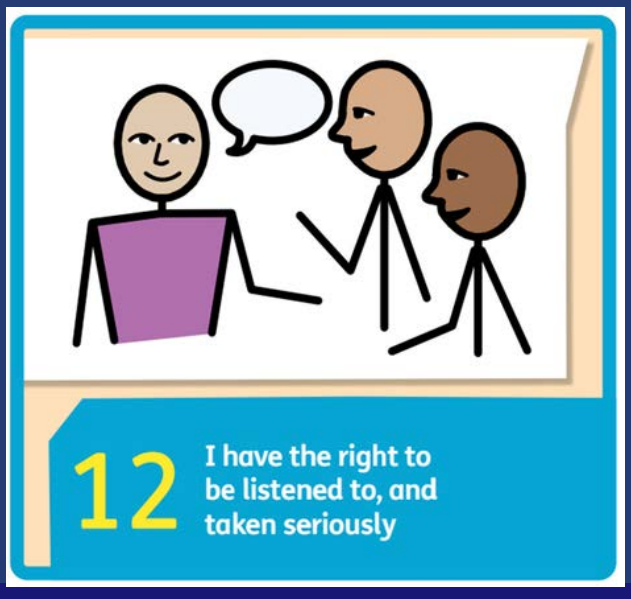


School Council

Enterprise - Ridwan
Atlantis - Rosie
Gemini - Albie
Endeavour - Margot
Viking - Immie
Jupiter - Felix
Mariner - Agnes
Pioneer - Amirah
Mir - Milad
Selene - Aahil
Juno - Ellis
Ariel - Zayn
Galaxy - Dillon
Lex - Zach

Rights Champs

Hailey -Atlantis
Leonor- Enterprise
Barney- Endeavour
Clara- Gemini
Maxwell- Jupiter
Isobel- Viking
Arlo- Mariner
Mia- Pioneer
Malek- Selene
Neha- Mir
Khavin- Juno
Yusu- Ariel





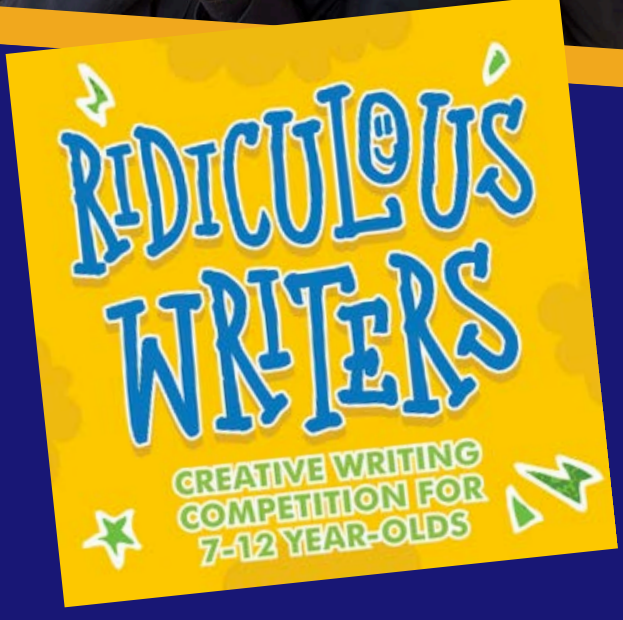
Thanks to you, we raised £791.67 at this year's Book Fair! That's £45 for every class to spend!



Congratulations to many of our current Year 5 students who have had their short stories published in this year's Ridiculous Writers book The Scribble Squad!







WW2 WORKSHOP IN YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 welcomed Freshwater Theatre Company for an exciting and immersive workshop exploring the impact of World War II. Through drama, role-play and interactive activities, the children stepped back in time to gain a deeper understanding of what life was like during the war. They explored the experiences of those affected by the conflict, helping to bring this important period of history to life. It was a fantastic opportunity to deepen their historical knowledge, develop empathy and bring their learning to life in a memorable way!









Year 3 Viking visited the Garden Museum

Year 3 Viking visited the Garden Museum on Wednesday 4th November based on their learning in Science about 'rocks, soil and fossils'. They began by engaging in mindful activities inspired by a watercolour art exhibition in the museum. After that, they became 'Soil Scientists' to gather their own samples from the 'Community Garden' in Lambeth North, then used a microscope to investigate what makes up soil.

They also visited the wormery to highlight the importance of worms in breaking down matter. Dalida said *'My favourite part was using the digital microscope to see minerals, old rocks and worms.'*

Year 3 conducted a few more experiments using litmus paper to test the acidity of their soil sample and measured its absorbency using filter paper.

Tchoui said his favourite activity was *'Using the trowel to dig for worms.'*

We would like to say thank you for the TPA's fundraising to pay for this trip and for our parent volunteers.

Article 13: Children have a right to get information and share heir views















Year 3 Jupiter Garden Museum



















Star Awards

Class	06.11.26
LEX	Whole Class
Voyager	Whole Class
Galaxy	Aalia
Apollo	Eliana
Mercury	Oscar
Atlantis	Lwandle
Enterprise	Phoebe
Endeavour	Maria
Gemini	Asma
Jupiter	Soriyah
Viking	Sebastian
Mariner	Zoe
Pioneer	Finn
Mir	Kamran
Selene	Khadidja
Ariel	Kamil
Juno	Maham

Every Child, Every Day

Our big goals for a brilliant school year

Support • Attend • Achieve • Aspire • Communicate

Attendance Matters
Every student. Every day.

Our attendance is **93.5%**
Our whole school target of **95%.**
Our target level has dropped this week.
Best attendance for classes this week are as follows:

Mariner = 97.5%
EY Apollo = 96.99%
Y3 Jupiter = 96.76%
Well done to everyone!

Every Child, Every Day

- **98-100%** • Excellent – children are accessing all learning opportunities • **0-2 days absence in an academic year**
- **96-97%** • Good – Very few learning opportunities are missed • **4-7 days absent in an academic year**
- **94-95%** • Risk of underachievement • **Up to 10 school days absent in an academic year**
- **92-93%** • High risk of underachievement • **Up to 15 school days absent in the academic year**
- **90-91%** • Severe risk of underachievement • **Up to 19 school days absent in the academic year**
- **<90%** • Extreme risk of underachievement • **Upwards of 22 days absent in the academic year**

Every day counts!

Our current attendance 93.3%.

We are here.

We have dipped again.

At Tooting Primary School, we love celebrating each other's beliefs and learning about the events that are important to us!

If you are celebrating any upcoming events—such as Diwali, Eid, or Christmas—please feel free to send your photos to the school email so we can share and celebrate together.

email- parents@tootingprimary.org

subject- Celebration photo's









Our message to the children for 26-27

Our five big ideas

Five simple words to remember

SUPPORT	ATTEND	ACHIEVE	ASPIRE	COMMUNICATE
Get the help you need.	Be here every day.	Keep learning and improving.	Aim high and believe in yourself.	Speak up, listen and be kind.

These five things help us make our school a great place to learn.

EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY • 4

We shared these messages with the children at the start of the term.

It is what we are working on this year and will form our thinking, planning & doing.

The children know what we expect form them and what they can expect from us .

Every Child. Every Day.

KNOWN SUPPORTED CHALLENGED READY TO SUCCEED



Our message for the year:

Be here.
Keep learning.
Aim high.
Ask for help.
Be kind.



What can you expect from adults?

BELIEVE IN YOU
Adults believe you can learn and improve.

SUPPORT YOU
Adults help you when you need it.

CHALLENGE YOU
Adults encourage you to do your best.

LISTEN TO YOU
Adults listen when something is worrying you.



Homework Support



1-2-1 Reading

Want to get more confident with your reading?

Love reading aloud?

Want to know what a word means?

Maths homework help

Got a tricky maths question?

Want to get more confident with numbers?

Want to check your homework?

ask staff to book your slot

Location: Tooting Library

1 - 2 -1 Reading various days & times

Maths homework support Saturdays 10am

Making Life Better Together

Education Wellbeing Service

NHS
South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust

Helping Children Feel Confident, Calm & Happy

Support for Parents and Carers

WHAT WE OFFER:

- Friendly, practical **1:1 support for parents**
- **6–8 week parent sessions** with proven strategies
- **Free online webinars** on children's wellbeing
- Resources and **recorded workshops** to use anytime

HOW IT HELPS:

- **Calmer routines** and **fewer conflicts** at home
- **Grow** children's **confidence** in new and social situations
- Children **learn to cope with worries** and **build resilience**
- **Parents feel supported**, reassured, and not alone

WHAT PARENTS SAY:

*"...really grateful to have the **tools** that have now made home **life a bit more peaceful**"*

*Our practitioner "showed **great empathy** and care, **tailoring the support to the specific needs of our family**"*

*"**we looked forward** to and valued our sessions a great deal"*

HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT:

Speak to your child's school for more information

Scan the QR code to sign up directly

SCAN ME

We have an Eventbrite page where parents and carers can **book upcoming workshops and webinars**

SCAN ME

For more information, please go to: https://swlstg.nhs.uk/education-wellbeing-service, or email wandsworthcwpservice@swlstg.nhs.uk

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NHS
South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust

Education Wellbeing Service

Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Understanding and Supporting Your Child's Sleep



The topic of sleep comes up a lot during our discussions with parents and carers and it's something that can impact the whole family.

During this webinar we'll look at why sleep is so important for our children, how to create the right environment and routine to aid high quality sleep, the importance of independent settling, and some common sleep challenges for families.

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 10th November
12.30-1.30pm

Scan the QR code or click here

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to either event for free on Eventbrite by scanning the QR Code.

You can also check out our other events by clicking here

wellbeinginschoolsevents@swlstg.nhs.uk

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 10th November
7.00-8.00pm

Scan the QR code or click here

TOOTING PRIMARY ASSOCIATION (TPA) NEWSLETTER

23 October 2026

Raising money to help fund school trips, sports & playground equipment and so much more!



VERY LIMITED SPACE - BOOK TICKETS NOW
bit.ly/47BhaMJ



BOOK TICKETS ONLINE NOW AT
bit.ly/4i2uT59

A MASSIVE THANK YOU!!!

This year's Curry & Quiz night raised a HUGE:

£1,483

This is only possible thanks to all those who participated, as well as the generosity of the local curry Houses:

SAMRAT · LAHORE KARAHI · Walan · RADHA KRISHNA BHAVAN · ROYAL MAHAL · Daily Fresh Naan · POOJA



Are you good at asking, persuading and pulling a few strings? Help us secure brilliant prizes for our raffles, auctions and fundraising events.

Email tpa@tootingprimary.org for more information