

Terrington St Clement Community School

A traditional school with traditional values where we aspire, succeed and thrive

8th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers.

It has been lovely to see everyone after the summer break. Despite a few initial tears from some of our younger learners and the rather hot weather, the return to school has been smooth and calm. Our learners are looking incredibly smart in their uniforms and ready to learn. Thank you all for the part you have played in this.

Look out for some invitations coming to parents/carers in the next few days as we welcome you into visit new classes and share some information about ways that we can work together to help your child learn. Dates coming up:

- Y1/2 Tuesday 12/09/23 @ 8:45am -Drop in read along with your child & phonics
- Y5/6 Friday 15/09/23 @ 8:45am Drop In sharing individual goals for the year & SATs testing/Y5&6 expectations
- Reception Tuesday 19/09/23 @ 8:45am - Drop in read along with your child & phonics
- Y3/4 Thursday 21/09/23 @ 2:30pm Drop in and play along times table games

We hope you will be able to join us for these sessions in class - I know our learners will be excited for you to join them. For any working parents that are unable to drop in for these sessions, information shared will be posted on our website too. We have tried to schedule the majority of these sessions immediately at drop off to help with this too.

Finally, my thanks to all of the parents/carers and children that helped plant up the flower beds outside our school over the summer holidays. They are looking fantastic despite the missing plants - some sadly went missing shortly after planting. It was so great of you to give up your time to support this.

Upcoming Diary Dates



Click here to go to our website and see all of the exciting events we have planned.

Class/Whole School Letters



Click here to see all of the letters we send home to parents/carers. The only ones not published are for competitions, where there are only a few letters sent.



Taking a Pride in our School Uniform

- It's all about feeling part of our school

and belonging

We are very proud of our uniform. Please help us maintain our high standards by ensuring that your child continues to wear the correct clothing as the year goes on. We have lots of spare uniform so



please ask if you need some help with this - we'll be looking after the planet too. FOSA have a uniform rail in the foyer but if you can't find what you are looking for just ask.

We also request that long hair is tied back (children get very close to each other in class and nits are more likely to spread if hair touches). Fashion haircuts (e.g. shaved designs) should also be avoided as these create a distraction. Better to save this for school holidays along with any makeup, nail varnish or tattoo transfers.

For safety reasons, no jewellery is permitted except small, discrete ear studs and a simple wristwatch which children will need to be able to remove and store independently during PE lessons.

More information about our uniform is on our <u>website</u>. Thank you for your support.

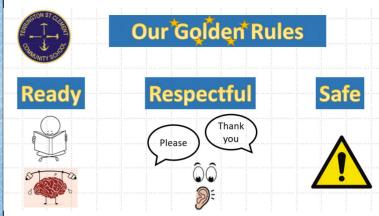
Friends of the School Association (FOSA)

FOSA work incredibly hard at our school to fundraise for those little (and sometimes big!) extras which make such a difference to our school. They are starting their fundraising this year with a fashion show on Thursday 23rd November.

Click here to find more information on the website

Our Golden Rules

We will reminding our learners at the start of term about our 3 "Golden" Rules.



- be READY to learn I show I am listening, I persevere with my work and I try to challenge myself
- be **RESPECTFUL** I listen when others speak, take responsibility for my actions and respect the property of my friends and the school.
- be **SAFE** I move around school in a safe manner, I follow instructions to keep myself safe in school and online.

Please support us in embedding these rules in school by continuing to model good attitudes around our learners and adhering to our Home School Agreement. We will send a paper copy of this home next week so that you can discuss this with your children.

Growth Mindset

At Terrington we encourage our learners to develop a "Growth Mindset" - this is a great approach to learning throughout life. Certificates are awarded to children each week who demonstrate this mindset. You can find out more about it here.



Awards & Certificates

We have lots of incentives to keep our learners motivated to keep learning. These achievements are celebrated in our regular newsletters. I look forward to finding out who is going to appear first.

Doodle Maths Champions

Well done to all of these learners that kept learning everyday over the summer holidays and now have a streak of 50 days or more. Great learning! Dilan B, Massimo W, Annabel C, Betsy C, Kallie SA, Maisie M, Darcie J, Danni SA. Leon M and Ruby A.

Reading Badges

Each year we encourage our learners to read (share for our EYFS) 20 age appropriate books and award them a badge for this achievement. There is a different colour to collect each vear. Let's see if we can beat last year's total of 238 badges awarded. Look out for more information about this coming out soon. There are some great recommended reading books on our website to help your child get hooked and keep on reading

Also, if your child reads everyday they are entered into a weekly raffle. Even more reasons to keep on reading.

Good attendance means... being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days

175 days not at school!

All this time for shopping, holidays and appointments

(0 days absence) school days in each year

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calendar

0

2

days

365

(10 days absence) school days in each year

(19 days absence) school days in each year Did you know?

A two week holiday in term time: means that the highest attendance a child can achieve is 94.7%?

(29 days absence) 161 school days in each year

(38 days absence) school days in each year

(47 days absence)

Best chances of success.

"Well done!"

Poor attendance -less chance of success.

"We're worried"

Very poor attendance serious impact on education and reduces life chances

"We're seriously concerned

Did you know that an attendance of 90% year on year, equates to over a year of missed schooling over a whole school career. Let's attend and give our learners the best chance in life.