



Tilston Parochial  
CE Primary School

Bringing out the Best in Everyone.  
*'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11*

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Since returning to school staff have been working hard to assess pupils and identify areas of strengths and gaps in learning. The wellbeing of our children at Tilston Parochial Primary School remains our main focus; children will not make progress unless they feel happy and secure.

We believe that education is a life-long process. A child's education does not cease when he /she leaves our school premises, learning at home is an essential part of good education.

"Homework" is any work or activity completed outside lesson time, either alone, with parents, or others and homework makes an important contribution to progress at school.

We see the purpose of homework as being to:

- develop an effective partnership between school and parents for each child's education, as children achieve more when teachers and parents work together,
- consolidate/reinforce skills and understanding, particularly in Literacy and Numeracy,
- utilise resources for learning available at home,
- extend school learning
- develop confidence, independence and the self-discipline needed for personal study in preparation for high school and beyond
- provide opportunities for parents and children to work together to enjoy learning experiences

From Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May, we will be re-introducing the use of our homework diaries to record homework for all children from early years to year 6. Homework will be set every Monday, and we expect all children to complete the homework set each week. We appreciate there will be times when homework cannot be completed, so please let us know and we can arrange time to complete work in school.

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Class	Homework	Approximate time allocation
Homework is set for alternate weeks and children will be set a variety of homework tasks from the list below. Teachers will share the weekly homework tasks using the homework diaries. We will no longer upload homework tasks using School Spider. Please only use the homework diaries from Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May.		
Bluebell Nursery & Wrens	Reading books Sound wallets Mathletics Spellings linked to the phonics level being taught in class	10 minutes daily
Robins	Reading books Sounds wallets 3 common exception words written in simple sentences 5 spellings linked to the level of phonics being taught in class Mathletics Spelling, punctuation and grammar (CGP books) Maths (CGP books)	1 hr to 1.5 hrs per week
House Martins	Reading books 3 common exception words written in simple sentences and using dictionaries to learn the correct definition. 7 statutory spellings Mathletics Spelling, punctuation and grammar (CGP books) Maths (CGP books) TT Rockstars	1 hr 30 minutes per week
Kestrels	Reading books 3 common exception words written in sentences and using a thesaurus to find different words with the same meaning. 10 statutory spellings Mathletics Spelling, punctuation and grammar (CGP books) Maths (CGP books)	30 minutes daily
Early Years	10 minutes daily	
Years 1 & 2	1 hour- 1 ½ hours / week	
Years 3 & 4	1 ½ hours/week	
Years 5 & 6	30 minutes per day	

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### Feedback

Please encourage your child to bring in their homework diaries every Monday. Teachers/ teaching assistants will monitor homework and provide feedback to all children to celebrate their achievements and to address any misconceptions.

### Benefits of completing homework.

Children love to share the work they have completed at home and your support really does make a difference. It is evident in school as children are more confident, feel a sense of achievement and pride and are prepared to progress to the next step in their learning journeys. Please do support your child's learning at home and help us to help them reach their full potential.

### Reading

15 minutes seems to be the "magic number" at which students start seeing substantial positive gains in reading achievement; students who read just over a half-hour to an hour per day see the greatest gains of all.

## Lunch Menu for week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021

<b>Monday</b>	Burger* in a bun with wedges and baked beans or veg or filled jacket potato with salad. Sponge & custard
<b>Tuesday</b>	Pasta Bolognese* with garlic bread and veg or deli option with salad. Cheese & crackers
<b>Wednesday</b>	Roast chicken* dinner or filled jacket potato with salad. Sponge cake
<b>Thursday</b>	Chicken* curry with rice and veg or deli option with salad. Fresh fruit platter
<b>Friday</b>	Fish & chips with peas or beans or filled jacket potato with salad. Biscuit and fruit wedge

- Vegetarian alternative available.

\* Please note, the cost of a school lunch is now £2.40. Please pay online. Reminder that all children in Reception and KS1 are entitled to a free school meal.

### Junior Road Safety Officers

Our Road Safety Officers, Evie and Olivia, are busy working on a new initiative in school to improve the health and safety of our pupils, families and members of the community. We look forward to sharing this next week. Please watch this space!



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## Celebration Assembly

Our personal development goal this week is **improve**. Well done to the following children who have worked hard to improve in an area of learning this week.



## Stars of the Week



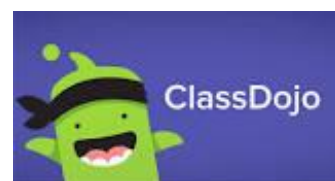
<b>YR</b>	Julian: showing improvement in reading and spelling.
<b>Y1</b>	Felix: an improved determination in his writing.
<b>Y2</b>	Harry W: a wonderful attitude towards his learning.
<b>Y3</b>	Maddie: improved skills in painting and drawing.
<b>Y4</b>	Hugo: improved concentration in poetry.
<b>Y5</b>	Max: working hard to improve and trying his best.
<b>Y6</b>	Olivia Hu: working hard to edit and improve her writing.



### Our Star Hand Writers



<b>Reception</b>	Oliver
<b>Year 1</b>	Beatrice
<b>Year 2</b>	Samuel
<b>Year 3</b>	Sienna L
<b>Year 4</b>	William B
<b>Year 5</b>	Megan
<b>Year 6</b>	Drummond



## Behaviour Award

This week we have been focusing on our Tilston Code and the importance of following the rules to keep ourselves and others happy and safe. Reverend Tim spoke to us in worship about small acts of kindness and I have enjoyed seeing the children making their friends happy.

## The Robins Class- 353 points

Congratulations Robins for your outstanding behaviour!

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St. Edith's, Shocklach &  
St. Mary's, Tilston  
Rogation Service  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>. May, 10.00 a.m.

St. Edith's Church – Tom's  
field opposite the school

Blessing  
- of the -  
ANIMALS



PLEASE BRING YOUR PETS AND  
DOMESTIC ANIMALS TO BE  
BLESSED

### TSA Meeting

The next TSA meeting will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 1:30pm and will be via Zoom. All parents are welcome to join the meeting to share fundraising ideas for the summer term. Please follow the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87140402579?pwd=dHBabUZ0WVV2UIY5Z3FQdzdUQTdBdz09>

Meeting ID: 871 4040 2579

Passcode: dWvt3a

### Sunflowers

We still have packs of sunflower seeds available to buy for £1.



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## Prayer of the week- House Martins

Dear God,

Thank you for this lovely day. Please make tomorrow even better. Thank you for my family, me and my friends and thank you for this lovely world plus thank you for our food, drink and our homes and all the other lovely things. Thank you, God.

Amen.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours sincerely

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