



Tilston Parochial  
CE Primary School

Bringing out the Best in Everyone.

'Encourage one another and build each other up.' Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

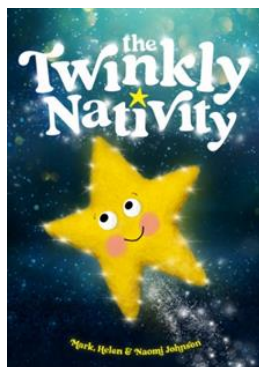
Dear Parents and Carers

Our value this half term is compassion. Our worship leaders would like you to help us spread a little kindness this Christmas.

**December Kindness 2023**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about	 5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely	 6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	 7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today	 1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others	 2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are	 3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment
 11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank	 12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	 13 See how many different people you can smile at today	 14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one	 15 Say hello to your neighbour and brighten up their day	 16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to	 17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you
 18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving	 19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated	 20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need	 21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you	 22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	 23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	 24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh
 25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!	 26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature	 27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	 28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy	 29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	 30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why	 31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2024

**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS** **Happier · Kinder · Together**



The children are looking forward to the Twinkly Nativity performances next week. A reminder of the dates and times:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December- Dress rehearsal for the whole school.

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30pm- Grandparents only. The TSA will be serving refreshments after the performance. Grandparents are welcome to stay in school until the end of the day if collecting children from school.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December- 1:30pm and 6:00pm performances. Tickets have now been sent home and we are unable to issue any additional tickets. A polite reminder that children and babies will need tickets if attending due to fire restrictions. We would like all children in school at 5:30pm, no earlier please as we will be setting up the hall. The TSA will be serving refreshments between 5:30 and 6:00pm.

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## Key Stage 2 Christingle Service

Tickets are coming home this afternoon for the KS2 Christingle service at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm. All KS2 children are involved in the service, and we expect all to attend.

Tickets for the grandparent service on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm are also coming home this afternoon, if requested. Please note this service will be in school and not the church. The TSA will be serving refreshments after the service and grandparents are welcome to stay in school until the end of the day if collecting children from school.

## Cauliflower Christmas Cards

Thank you for all your Christmas card and gift orders this year. We have received £125.50 in commission and the School Committee will be thinking of how we can put the money to good use in the new year.

## Tempest Photography

The deadline for ordering Tempest photos to get free delivery to school is on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Orders placed after the 5<sup>th</sup> will incur a delivery charge.



Our personal development goal this week is **imagine**. Well done to the following children for using their imaginations this week.



## Stars of the Week



<b>YR</b>	Charlotte: using fabulous imagination in her writing
<b>Y1</b>	Harvey: working hard to achieve his best
<b>Y2</b>	Archie: showing great skill in his drawings for topic work
<b>Y3</b>	Julian: wonderful imaginative writing
<b>Y4</b>	Angus: using his imagination in literacy
<b>Y5</b>	Samuel: using his imagination in literacy
<b>Y6</b>	Sophie H: using her imagination in literacy

## Next week's menu is WEEK 1

[Layout 1 \(tilston.cheshire.sch.uk\)](http://tilston.cheshire.sch.uk)



## Our Star Hand Writers



<b>Reception</b>	Toby
<b>Year 1</b>	Elsie
<b>Year 2</b>	Teddy
<b>Year 3</b>	Elvis
<b>Year 4</b>	Ralph
<b>Year 5</b>	Sophia
<b>Year 6</b>	Lilla

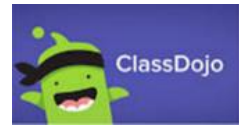
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The Class Dojo Champions this week are the **House Martins**.  
Well done for always being **ready, respectful and safe**.

Wrens & Bluebell Nursery	Robins	House Martins 	Kestrels
473	462	<b>658</b>	406

Wrens	<b>89.2%</b>
Robins	<b>95.6%</b>
House Martins	<b>96.7%</b>
Kestrels 	<b>98.4%</b>

It's great to see everyone working so hard to achieve our 97% target.

We can only do this if we all work together!

Our attendance for this week is

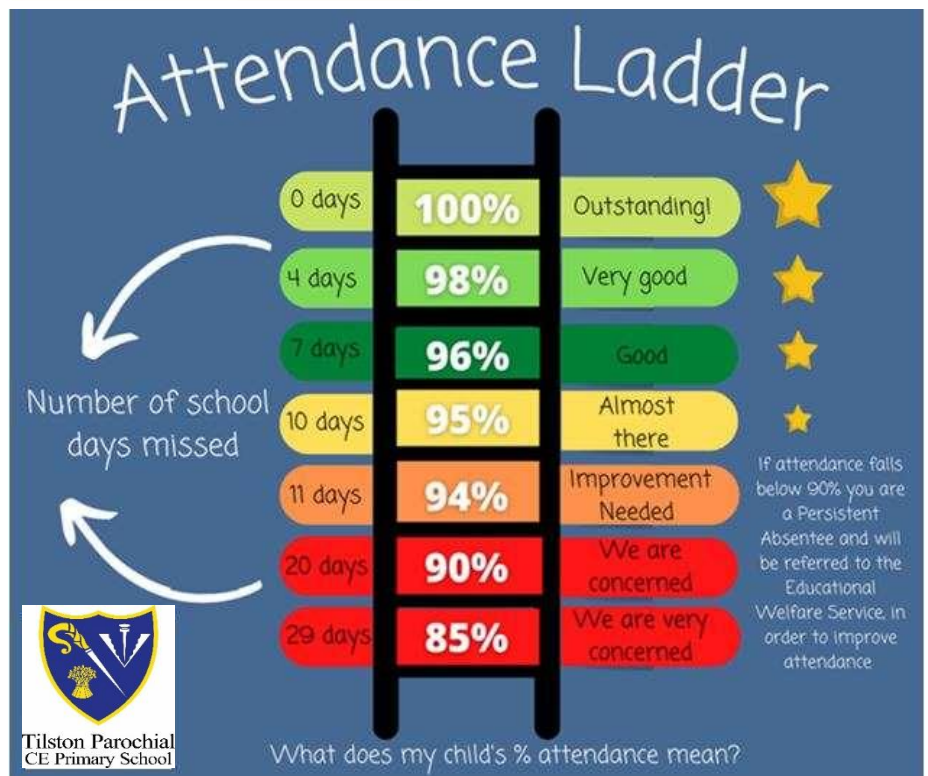
 **93.9%** 

Our attendance for the year to date

 **97.1%** 

**Attend Today,  
Achieve Tomorrow...  
Everyday Counts!**

## This Week's Attendance



### Christmas Jumper Day

We will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**. All children are invited to wear non-uniform with a Christmas jumper for a small donation to Save the Children. Thank you in advance.



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## Year 6 ONLY SATS Bootcamp

From Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January, Mrs Pearce and Mrs Kehoe will run a weekly SATS Bootcamp for year 6 children from 3:15-4:15pm. We strongly encourage all children to attend the weekly club to prepare for their SATS assessments in May. This year we are asking for a £20 donation per child to cover the costs of the resources we provide each child with to prepare for the statutory assessments. Please consent and pay using the online payment system.

Mrs Pearce will lead a SATS information meeting on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 2:45pm for parents to talk through the tests dates and share past papers.

## Extra-Curricular Clubs- Places available

We have a range of extra-curricular clubs running in the spring term for reception, KS1 & KS2. Please book and pay online.

Day	Club	Year Groups	Cost	Time	Staff
<b>Monday</b> 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024, 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 29 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb & 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Ditzy Rose Sewing Club  (We will need a minimum of 6 to run this club)	KS2- Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	£50 for 6 sessions	3:15- 4:30pm	Ditzy Rose
<b>Tuesday</b> 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024, 16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup> , 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb & 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Netball (Girls & Boys)	KS2- Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	£5.00 per session x 6 sessions Total £30.00	3:15- 4:15pm	Mrs Bryan
<b>Wednesday</b>	Choir	KS2	Free	12:30- 1:00pm	Mrs Edwards
<b>Wednesday</b> 10 <sup>th</sup> January 17 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 31 <sup>st</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb & 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Ball skills	Reception & KS1 (Years 1 & 2)	£5.00 per session x 6 sessions Total £30.00	3:15- 4:15pm	Ms Shone

## Reception September 2024 Applications

Applications close on the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2024. Please click on the link to access the Cheshire West and Chester admissions:

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-admissions/reception-admissions/making-an-application>



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## **Christmas Disco Arrangements**

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

3:15-4:15pm- EYFS and KS1.

Please provide a party outfit in a clearly labelled bag for your child to get changed into for the disco. Staff will take Bluebell nursery, Wrens and Robins to the disco straight after school and sign them in. Please collect your child from the main entrance at 4:15pm. The KS2 children will be arriving from 4:30pm so please make sure you are on time to collect.

4:30-5:30pm- KS2 (House Martins & Kestrels)

Please do not arrive earlier than 4:30pm as we will be dismissing EYFS & KS1.

Please collect from the main entrance at 5:30pm. Staff will be on the door signing children out.

### After School Club

For safeguarding reasons, after school club will be in the nursery on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please collect your child from the nursery door.

If your child is booked into after school club and attending either of the discos, we will drop off/collect and get them dressed in their party outfits!

### **FREE Holiday Clubs**

Edsential are working in partnership with Cheshire West and Chester and coordinating the Holiday Activities with Food programme (HAF) which provides enrichment activities, delicious nutritious meals and a chance for young people to meet new friends in a safe & fun environment, during school holidays. All families in receipt of free school meals can access a range of FREE clubs over the Christmas holidays. Please click on the link for details.

<https://edsential.com/haf-cheshire-west/>

### **Online Safety Newsletter**

Our latest online safety newsletter is available to read on the school website.

[https://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\\_file/22303560](https://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/22303560)

### **Junior Safety Officers**

Nell and Archie shared this month's Junior Safety Bulletin with the whole school in worship this morning. They shared important advice on personal and community safety. Please take some time to share this important advice with your child:

[https://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve\\_file/22334434](https://www.tilston.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/22334434)

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## Prayer of the week: Worship Leaders

Dear Lord,

Thank you for giving us the ability to have a nice, warm, cosy home and a Christmas dinner to fill us up. Although we are thankful for our presents, we must not forget the true meaning of Christmas: spending time with loved ones and knowing that giving our time is just as important as giving gifts.

Amen.

Have a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely

*K Mort*

Mrs Kelsey Mort

## 2023-2024 Autumn Term Dates

Please see below dates of all school events for this academic year.



### Next week's events

Autumn Term 2023		
Date	Time	Event/Venue
05/12/23	1:30pm	EYFS & KS1 Nativity- Grandparents only
06/12/23	1:30pm & 6pm	EYFS & KS1 Nativity
07/12/23		Save the Children- Christmas Jumper Day
08/12/2023		9:15am Choir Sing-along at Prospect House and The Cedars
15/12/23		The Storyhouse theatre trip Years 1-6 Cinderella
15/12/23		Professor Humo- EYFS Magic Show
17/12/23	6:30pm	Carol Service at St Mary's Church (All welcome)
20/12/23	1:30pm	KS2 Christingle Service in school (Grandparents only) 6:30pm- St Mary's Church (KS2 children only)
21/12/2023	12:00pm	Chris Gilbert- Christmas Sing-along! Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Parties
<b>We finish for Christmas on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023</b>		

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