

Townhill Junior School

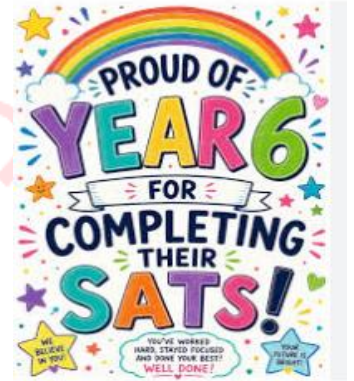
Weekly Update: 15th May



Year 6 SATs Week

This week saw the culmination of four years of hard work and learning as Year 6 undertook their SATs Tests. The children came in early each day for a special SATs breakfast before their tests and then worked brilliantly all week. The rest of the school also supported them by being quiet and respectful throughout and I am grateful to all the staff who helped through the week.

The week ended with a relaxed day on Friday and the children really enjoyed unwinding after a busy week.



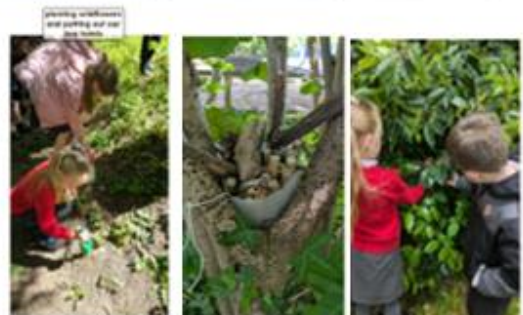
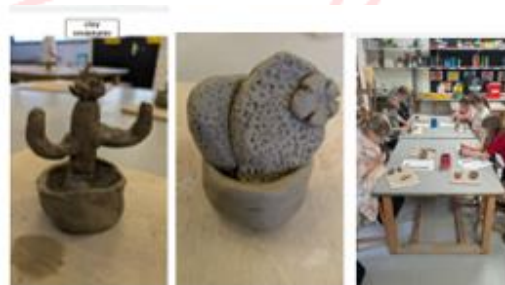
Careers Fair



On Friday afternoon, we have our Year 6 Careers Fair where the children learn about different jobs and how you go about getting into that industry. Based on their chosen interests, we would still like to hear from a chef, a mechanic, an electrician and someone in the sports coaching industry. If you are available and would be able to talk to the children about your job, please make Mr H or the Year 6 staff aware.

Y3 Nature Work

Year 3 have continued their work around nature by creating clay sculptures in art, planting wildflowers in the school grounds and putting their bee hotels in a range of locations.



Star of the Week

Class	Name
3F	Olivier
3G	Daniel
4OR	Leonardo
4T	Riley
5T	Ava
5C	Kaci-Jai
6I	6I – Whole Class
6W	6W – Whole Class
PE	Kaya & Karina (4OR)
GAMES	Alice (6I)

Times Tables Rocks Leaderboard

Rank	First Name	Class	Improvement in Speed
1	Seb	4OR	-7.79
2	Izzy	4OR	-3.52
3	Lana	4T	-2.37
4	Bow	4OR	-2.31
5	Lucia	4OR	-1.99
6	Charlie	4T	-1.66
7	Jonah	4T	-1.55
8	Sophia	4T	-1.22
9	Darcey	4T	-0.99
10	Rosa	4OR	-0.87

Boom Reader Leaderboard

Class	Most Reads
3F	Jack
3G	Poppy
4OR	Oscar
4T	Aoife
5C	Ayda
5T	Charis
6I	X
6OH	Matilda
Class	3G



Weekly Battle: Premier League
CREATED BY: Mr Nick Humphries

4T 1,147 | 6I 1,111 | 4OR 569 | 6OH 303 | 5C 121

Y3 Ultimate Duel
CREATED BY: Mr Nick Humphries

3F 173 | 3G 59

Y4 Ultimate Duel
CREATED BY: Mr Nick Humphries

4T 1,098 | 4OR 569



Learning is the key to success

Current Learning



	WB	Subject	What the children will be learning	Ideas to support with the learning at home
Y3	18/05	English	Non-chronological report	Use your spellings and write sentences. Ensure they make sense and are correctly punctuated.
		Maths	Graphs	Log on to www.maths.co.uk and have a go at statistics A.
		Science	Plants	Go for a walk and look at the plants. Tell an adult about the different parts of the plant and their jobs.
Y4	18/05	English	Letter writing	Read your reading book. Use a dictionary to look up any words you don't know the meaning of, use a thesaurus to see if you can find a synonym for it.
		Maths	Area	Have a go at these activities How to work out an area - BBC Bitesize
		Science	Electricity	Tell an adult about the circuits you made in school this week. What did they need to work? How did you make the lightbulb light up?
Y5	18/05	English	Letter writing	Think about the person you would like to write your letter to and the reasons you want them to visit our school
		Maths	Measurement	Ask an adult at home if you can make something together where you have to weigh the ingredients
		Science	Properties of materials	Tell an adult about reversible and irreversible changes
Y6	18/05	English	Non-chronological report	Come up with some vocabulary that will be useful in your report.
		Science	Light	Explain to an adult how we see.
		Geography	The UK	Come up with a list of rare earth elements

Home Learning

A reminder that all of our home learning is online through two main platforms and the expectation is that every child should be logging their reading, and completing challenges on TT Rocks every week. The children should also be learning their spelling lists.

Maths: Times Tables Rockstars
Reading: Boom Read



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PRESENTS

Disney

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!

JR.

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WEDNESDAY 20TH | 17:30



Production of
HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR.

Book by
David Lipton

Based on a Disney Channel
Original Movie Written by
Peter Barbockini

Songs by
Matthew Gerrard & Robbie Nevil
Ray Charo, Greg Chase & Andrew Sealey
Randy Petersen & Kevin Galt
Andy Dodd & Adam Watts
Bryan Louiselle
David M. Lawrence & Faye Greenberg
Janie Houton

Music Adapted, Arranged
and Produced by
Bryan Louiselle

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with
MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI

School Attendance News



Attendance Statistics

Whole School Attendance this week	95%	Whole School Attendance this year to date	94.3%
Number of children with over 97% attendance this week	181	Number of children with over 97% attendance this year	106



Class Attendance for this week:

Weekly Attendance	3F	3G	4OR	4T	5C	5T	6I	6W
Attendance Percentage	99.2%	96.8%	95.6%	96.2%	90%	94.8%	98%	94.9%
Progress	-0.2%	-1.4%	+0.2%	-0.1%	+1.1%	+1.1%	-0.4%	-2.3%

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, if Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ONLINE GROOMING

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Online grooming is when someone builds a relationship with a child or young person online to gain their trust for the purpose of sexual abuse, exploitation, radicalisation, or criminal activity – such as county lines or financial scams. According to the NSPCC, police in the UK recorded over 7,000 offences involving sexual communication with a child in a single year – an increase of 89% since 2017/18.

STRANGERS USING FAKE IDENTITIES

Groomers often pose as children or teenagers online to build trust. They may create convincing fake profiles, share photos stolen from real people, or mimic the interests of the child. By pretending to be someone their age, they make conversations feel safe and relatable. Over time, they may ask for personal details, photos, or suggest meeting in person, exposing children to significant emotional and physical harm.

EXPLOITATION THROUGH GIFTS AND FLATTERY

To gain trust quickly, groomers often send gifts, gaming credits, or money. Alongside material offerings, they use excessive compliments, affection, and attention to create emotional dependency. These tactics make children feel valued and special, lowering their defences. Once trust is secured, groomers may escalate their requests, often asking for photos or private conversations, making the child feel pressured or indebted to continue.

GROUP CHATS AS HIDDEN PATHWAYS

Unmonitored group chats on platforms like WhatsApp or Discord provide a cover for groomers. They can watch how children interact, identify those who seem vulnerable, and then move conversations into private messaging. This transition makes detection difficult for trusted adults. The seemingly harmless group setting often masks the presence of predators, giving children a false sense of security.

THE RISE OF SEXTORTION

Sextortion involves pressuring children into sharing explicit content, then blackmailing them for more. Offenders may claim to have hacked a child's device, threaten to share images with friends or family, or demand money. Many victims remain silent out of fear and shame. This growing crime is particularly dangerous because children often feel trapped, believing there's no safe way to escape the situation.

GAMING PLATFORMS AS GROOMING GATEWAYS

Games like Roblox, Fortnite, or Call of Duty, which include live chat features, are frequent targets for groomers. Conversations often begin casually during gameplay and can become manipulative over time. Groomers may offer in-game gifts, credits, or exclusive add-ons to build rapport. Children using headsets or private chat features are especially at risk, as conversations are harder for adults to monitor.

CRIMINAL & RADICALISATION RISKS

Grooming is not always sexual. Some offenders manipulate children into criminal activities such as drug running or online fraud. Others attempt to radicalise young people with extreme ideologies. Groomers often use fear, money, shame, or promises of belonging to control their victims. These forms of exploitation can be just as harmful as sexual grooming, and often leave lasting psychological and social consequences.

Advice for Parents & Educators

KEEP CONVERSATIONS REGULAR

Rather than having one "big talk" about online safety, weave conversations into everyday life. Ask questions about children's online friendships and interests. Share real-life examples to make discussions relatable and encourage honesty instead of secrecy. When children feel comfortable discussing their digital lives, they are far more likely to share concerns or admit when something feels wrong, reducing the chance of risky interactions going unnoticed.

CREATE A "TELL ME" CULTURE

Children often keep silent because they fear being punished or losing access to their devices. Reassure them that coming forward with concerns won't get them into trouble. Emphasise that you are there to help, not judge. Creating a safe, open environment encourages children to speak up if something feels wrong, and helps to ensure they don't suffer in silence when facing potential grooming risks.

UNDERSTAND THE PLATFORMS CHILDREN USE

Take time to learn about the apps, games, and social platforms children are on. Familiarise yourself with privacy settings, parental controls, and group chat features. Use resources like The National College guides or conduct quick searches to stay updated. By understanding how these platforms operate, you'll be better equipped to set boundaries, guide safe use, and notice any unusual or concerning online behaviour early.

STAY ALERT TO WARNING SIGNS

Be attentive to both behavioural and digital red flags. Sudden secrecy, mood swings, or new online contacts may signal a problem. Watch for unexplained gifts, new social media profiles, or changes in sleep patterns. Increased anxiety or reluctance to attend school can also be indicators. Regularly checking in and showing interest in those whom they communicate with online help prevent small issues from escalating into serious risks.

Meet Our Expert

Staffordshire Police is dedicated to keeping people safe and tackling crime across both the physical and digital world. The force continues to strengthen its digital investigation and safeguarding capabilities to protect children and vulnerable people online, working in partnership with local, regional and national organisations, schools, and the wider community.



See full reference list on our website



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May Half Term

Drop off your young people

Southampton Culture Club for Kids: Story Worlds (6½-12yrs)

- 📅 Tue 26, Wed 27, Thu 28 May
- 🕒 9am-4pm
- 📍 SeaCity
- 💰 £35, £90 all three days



Bugs in Boxes (4+)

- 📅 Tue 26 May
- 🕒 10.30am, 11.30am, 1pm, 2pm
- 📍 Tudor House £6

Tour for All: Southampton Myths and Mysteries (6+)

- 📅 Tue 26 May 🕒 11am
- 📍 Tudor House
- 💰 £10 (children FREE)

Art for All: Clay Capybaras (5+)

- 📅 Wed 27 May
- 🕒 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm
- 📍 Art Gallery £8

Art for All: Birds, Beetles and Butterflies with Watercolour (7+)

- 📅 Thu 28 May
- 🕒 10.30am, 1.30pm
- 📍 Tudor House £8



Art for All: Make a Clay Stitch! (4+)

- 📅 Thu 28 May
- 🕒 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm
- 📍 Art Gallery £8



Toddler Time: Under the Sea (under 4's and friends)

- 📅 Fri 29 May 🕒 10.30am
- 📍 SeaCity £6

Art for All: Minecraft Mosaic Worlds (7+)

- 📅 Fri 29 May
- 🕒 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm
- 📍 Art Gallery £8



See our "What's on" brochure or venue websites for details on events and to book
seacitymuseum.co.uk | tudorhouseandgarden.com | southamptoncityartgallery.com



Next Week at Re:Minds 18th – 22nd May

No need to book for a support group, just check the events section of our Facebook group

With thanks to:


Hampshire and Isle of Wight


Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service

Shentons
Solicitors

Eating Disorder Advice Clinic



10:30am Tuesday 19th May

About the Clinic

Book a **private, 15-minute virtual appointment** to speak with a specialist clinician from the **CAMHS Eating Disorder Team** for advice and guidance on:

- **Eating disorders** / disordered eating
- Changes in **eating patterns**
- Increased or concerning **activity levels**
- **ARFID / relationship with food**
- Any other concerns related to eating

To book your advice slot, please email:

 info@reminds.org.uk


Hampshire and
Isle of Wight Healthcare



★ MAY HALF TERM ★

DANCE WORKSHOPS

KPOP DEMON HUNTERS

Dance Workshop



KATSEYE DANCE WORKSHOP



★ **THURSDAY**
28th MAY
Highfield primary school

★ **FRIDAY**
29th MAY
Bevois town school

🕒 **10-2pm**
To book follow the link

📅 **TUESDAY**
26th MAY
Wordsworth primary school

🕒 **10-2pm**

👥 All ages and ability welcome

TEAM SPIRIT

ALL STARS

DANCE ACADEMY

<https://team-spirit-all-stars-dance-academy.pembee.app>



JAMES BEATTIE BEATTIE

SUMMER HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CAMPS

COACHING THE STARS OF TOMORROW

2 DAY CAMP

Thurs 23rd - Fri 24th July
9:00am - 3:00pm

£45.00 Full Camp
or
£25.00 Per Day

Stoneham Lane Football Complex
Stoneham Ln, Southampton,
Eastleigh SO16 2PA

3 DAY CAMP

Mon 3rd - Wed 5th August
9:00am - 3:00pm

£67.50 Full Camp
or
£25.00 Per Day

Passfield Avenue Eastleigh
Passfield Ave, Eastleigh
SO50 9NL

4 DAY CAMP

Mon 17th - Thurs 20th August
9:00am - 3:00pm

£90.00 Full Camp
or
£25.00 Per Day

Winchester City Football Club
Charters community Stadium,
Hillier Way, Winchester SO23 7SU

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FACE FUN CHALLENGES,
COMPETE IN GAMES
AND ENJOY EVERY
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Ascension & Edge Hub Present an Evening of Fabulous Fashion

LIVE RUNWAY FASHION SHOW & AUCTION



SATURDAY MAY 30TH
7PM - 9PM



THE COMMUNITY CENTRE
MEGGESON AVENUE
TOWNHILL PARK

BNWT Designer Bridal, Occasion & Prom
followed by an exciting live auction

BIG BRANDS AT CRAZY PRICES

BROWSE THE RAILS - GRAB A BARGAIN!

Fashion Clothing, Footwear & Accessories
For Ladies & Gents

(sorry, over 14's only!) **Tickets £5.00**

<https://ascensionsouthampton.churchsuite.com/events/s7leirob>

This is a fundraising event for the Edge Hub in Townhill Park



Emotionally-Based School Avoidance Virtual Workshop



9.30am Wednesday 20th May


About the Workshop

We will cover:

- What's really going on beneath school anxiety and avoidance
- How school anxiety presents across different ages and needs
- Small, practical steps that can make everyday school life easier
- Support, shared understanding, and where to go next
- Your legal rights and what schools can do to help

Share understanding, learn practical strategies, and take away helpful resources in a supportive space. There will be time to talk with other parents and carers who are going through the same thing and receive support from our team.

To book onto the workshop, please email:

 info@reminds.org.uk

Dates for the Year



SUMMER TERM 2026

Wednesday, 20th May	:	Drama Club Performance: High School Musical (5:30pm)
Friday, 22nd May	:	Y6 Careers Fair (pm) 'Break the Rules' Non-Uniform Day
25th – 29th May	:	Half Term
Monday, 1st June	:	Class Photos
Wednesday, 3rd June	:	Y5 Astrodome event (2)
Thursday, 4th June	:	Y4 Winchester Science Museum Trip
Friday, 5th June	:	Disco (5:30pm – 7pm)
Friday, 12th June	:	Y6 Paultons trip
Friday, 19th June	:	INSET Day
22nd – 26th June	:	Assessment Week (Y3 –5)
Monday, 29th June	:	Year 2 Parents Evening (5:30pm)
Wednesday, 1st July	:	Transfer Day
Thursday, 2nd July	:	Y3 & Y4 (9am – 11:30am) Sports Day
Friday, 3rd July	:	Y5 & Y6 (9am – 11:30am) Sports Day (Reserve Sports Day: Mon 6 th July)
Friday, 10th July	:	Y4 Itchen Valley Teambuilding Day
Friday, 17th July	:	Year 6 Leavers Prom (6.30pm – 8:30pm)
Monday, 20th July	:	Y6 Leavers Celebration Event (6:00pm)
Wednesday, 22nd July	:	End of Term: (3.15pm)



Inset Days: 2026-27

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Friday 23rd October 2026

Monday 22nd February 2027

Friday 18th June 2027

