



# SPRING 2022 NEWSLETTER

## Attendance

Our current level of attendance so far is 94%.

Managing attendance has been one of the trickiest issues of the pandemic as we have balancing health concerns with the need to educate our children. We have had to react rapidly to the changing government guidance and we recognise that this has not always been clear.

Every day counts and moving forward if you have any issues please get in touch with me directly so that we can plan to achieve good attendance for all our pupils.

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## Lates

We have a significant number of children coming in late. This is being monitored currently. Please can you make the class teacher aware of any reason why you are having difficulties getting your child into school on time so we can work together to improve this. Our lessons start at 9.00 and a few minutes late impacts on your child's mathematic learning.

## Raffle

We are holding a raffle to raise funds for an early-years play frame. We have 10 prizes.

Tickets are attached and cost £1 per strip. Please put your child's name on the back of each ticket and return to school with the money. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 11 February, 2022.

The prizes available to win are:

- 2 x Bottle of wine & carvery meal for two at the Fir Tree Hotel
- Mug Coffee Hamper
- Pamper Hamper
- Biscuit & Mug set
- Treats Pyramid
- Sweets Hamper
- 2 x Red & white wine sets
- Pantry £20 Voucher



## Jubilee

This year is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We will be planning to join the celebrations by hosting events across the school & hopefully in the community. More information will follow nearer the time.

Please note, school will be closed for the additional bank holiday on Monday 6 June 2022



## Wellbeing Award for Schools

At Tow Law Millennium Primary, wellbeing is a key part of our school ethos and curriculum, and as you will know, we have been working towards the Wellbeing Award for Schools for a couple of years now.

We had our final assessment just before Christmas and we are so proud to announce that Tow Law Millennium Primary School has been awarded the 'Wellbeing Award for Schools'! 🏆

We hope you enjoy reading some key quotes from our award report below

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Parents feel the school is an integral and important part of the community.

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The school has a wide range of interventions to support pupils' emotional wellbeing and mental health.

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Wellbeing and personal development have been woven into the school's curriculum and its wider offer.

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The wellbeing of all is one of the central principles of the school

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## Important Dates

|   |                              |                          |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Spring Half-Term 2022<br>(1 week + 1 day) | Thursday 17 February<br>2022 | Monday 28 February 2022  |
| Easter 2022<br>(2 weeks)                  | Friday 8 April 2022          | Monday 25 April 2022     |
| May Day<br>(1 day)                        | Friday 29 April 2022         | Tuesday 3 May 2022       |
| Summer Half-Term 2021<br>(1 week + 1 day) | Friday 27 May 2022           | Tuesday 7 June 2022      |
| Summer 2021<br>(6 weeks)                  | Wednesday 20 July 2022       | Tuesday 6 September 2022 |

Inset Days (School Closed) Friday 18 February 2022 / Thursday 21 July 2022

**Additional Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June (School closed)**





## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2022/2023

| <b>Holiday</b>                        | <b>Closing Date</b>      | <b>Date Re-open for Teaching Purposes</b> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Summer 2022<br>(6 weeks 3 days)       | Wednesday 20 July 2022   | Tuesday 6 September 2022                  |
| Autumn Half-Term 2022<br>(1 week)     | Friday 21 October 2022   | Monday 31 October 2022                    |
| School closed – Council Wellbeing day | Thursday 1 December 2022 | Monday 5 December 2022                    |
| Christmas 2022<br>(2 weeks 2 days)    | Friday 16 December 2022  | Wednesday 4 January 2023                  |
| Spring Half-Term 2023<br>(1 week)     | Friday 17 February 2023  | Monday 27 February 2023                   |
| Easter 2023<br>(2 weeks)              | Friday 31 March 2023     | Monday 17 April 2023                      |
| May Day 2023<br>(1 day)               | Friday 28 April 2023     | Tuesday 2 May 2023                        |
| Summer Half-Term 2023<br>(1 week)     | Friday 26 May 2023       | Monday 5 June 2023                        |
| Summer 2023<br>(6 weeks)              | Friday 21 July 2023      | To be determined                          |

**Important Note: the following dates have been agreed as INSET days for school staff:**

**Monday 5 September 2022**  
**Friday 2 December 2022**  
**Monday 19 December 2022**  
**Tuesday 20 December 2022**  
**Friday 28 April 2023**

**NB** Leave of Absence in term time will not be granted unless there are circumstances deemed exceptional by the Headteacher. For all absence requests, a Leave of Absence form must be completed prior to the time requested. Please note that holidays during term time will not be granted.

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### TERM DATES 2022 – 2023

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| <b>Autumn Term</b> | Monday 5 September 2022  | to | Friday 16 December 2022 |
| <b>Spring Term</b> | Wednesday 4 January 2023 | to | Friday 31 March 2023    |
| <b>Summer Term</b> | Monday 17 April 2023     | to | Friday 21 July 2023     |

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