



Headmaster

We are looking forward to the Year 3 & 4 Production “Splash!” this afternoon. Staff and pupils have worked very hard on the productions this term and we hope that many TPS families will be able to join us for what is always an enjoyable event. Enjoyment was certainly the theme earlier this week with our musical play day when we enjoyed a wonderful festival of music culminating with the whole Prep School, instrumentalists and choir included giving a vibrant rendition of the song “Africa” – please do have a look on the school Facebook page. Thanks to Mrs King and our peripatetic music team for planning such a great event.

Next Friday 23rd March (our last day of this term) will be a half day with school finishing from 12 noon. We are going to run a Mufti Day that day with a £2 donation per pupil with proceeds going to Shooting Star Chase. We will also be giving out to our Year 3-8 pupils their medals from our Mind Sports Week, run earlier in the term. Parents would be welcome to join us in the school hall from 11.40am. The Mind Sports Week results are listed later on in this Bulletin.

Whole School News

Spring Term Class Assembly Date

RM Tuesday 20th March

Ski Trip 2019

The second deposit of £200pp is due by the end of term. Any problems please contact Mr Doughty. jdoughty@twickenhamprep.co.uk

Child Line – Internet Safety Workshops – Monday 19th March

On Monday 19th March the whole school will be taking part in internet safety workshops run by Child Line.

Raising Resilience – Parents advice drop in sessions

Dr Kate Robinson, Clinical Psychologist will be running drop in sessions on Monday 23rd April at TPS. Please see attached flyer for more details.

Last Week of Spring Term Clubs

Please remember that there *will be no before/after school clubs during the final week of term next week.*

End of Spring Term - Friday 23rd March

Please remember that we finish school at lunchtime on the last day of term next Friday. The usual staggered dismissal times will be in place and are as follows:

Reception: 12:00noon
Years 1, 2 & 3: 12:05pm
Years 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8: 12:10pm

Key Dates for Summer Term 2018

The Summer Term 2018 Calendar Cards will be distributed after Easter. The TPS website calendar is kept up to date for your convenience and is an excellent way to keep up to date; but as a reminder please see key dates below:

School Open Morning: Saturday 28th April 2018, 10am-12pm
N.B. Pupils will receive requests to attend this event.

School Exam Week (Years 4-7): Monday 21st May – Friday 25th May 2018
Common Entrance (Y8 exams): Tuesday 5th – Friday 8th June 2018

Swimming Galas:
Year 3 – Year 4: Monday 4th June 2018, 10am-12noon
Year 5 – Year 6: Monday 11th June 2018, 10am-12noon
Year 7 – Year 8: Monday 18th June 2018, 10am-12noon

Sports Days (weather permitting):
Pre-Prep: Wednesday 13th June 2018 at 9.30am
Year 3 – 4: Friday 15th June 2018 at 2.15pm
Years 5 – 6: Wednesday 13th June 2018 at 2.15pm
Years 7 – 8: Thursday 14th June 2018 at 2.15pm

Trips Week (Years 4-8): Monday 25th – Friday 29th June 2018
N.B. France trip leaves on Sunday 24th June and returns on Saturday 30th June 2018

Prizegiving:
Pre-Prep Prizegiving: Thursday 28th June 2018 at 2.30pm
Prep Prizegiving: Thursday 5th July 2018 at 6pm

Second Hand Uniform

If you reserved uniform to be collected from the office, can we ask that this is collected and paid for by the end of term or we will assume that this is no longer required and it will go back to be resold.

Safeguarding

Positive Parenting

Need-to-know: how to set boundaries and build positive relationships



Balancing the various demands parents have to cope with isn't easy and all parents can come under pressure or stress from time to time.

This NSPCC guide shares practical advice and tips for positive parenting techniques that work well for children - from babies to teenagers. These techniques encourage better behaviour and help parents find out what works for them and their child. See the link below to read more on this subject.



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/research-and-resources/2016/positive-parenting/>

Body Image Parent Support Resources

The evidenced-based resources on this site have been specifically designed to encourage young people to develop and maintain a healthy body image during the transition to adulthood.

In a world that constantly tells young people how they should look and has a narrow definition of 'beautiful', how can we help them value their unique beauty and stay true to themselves?

Working with experts from the fields of psychology, health and media, the Dove Self-Esteem Project has developed a range of resources – including videos, activities, case studies and professional advice – to help guide parents and teenagers.

As well as helping you understand how your daughter or son is feeling, the materials will help you counter the negative influence of the media and bullying on young people's body image.

More information: <https://www.dove.com/uk/dove-self-esteem-project/help-for-parents.htm>

#ThisBoyTalks

When we think of the impact of concerns about how teenagers look, we don't always consider how boys feel. There is growing evidence that boys do care deeply about how they look, and it can be something that makes them feel bad. The Boys' Biggest Conversation is a campaign to encourage teenagers and young men, across the UK, to talk about body image and the effect it has on their mental wellbeing.

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<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/research-and-resources/2016/positive-parenting/>

Prep

Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6 Productions

Rehearsals and preparations are underway already so please do note the production dates in your diaries as detailed in the TPS Spring Term Calendar Card:

Tonight, 4.30pm

Year 3 and Year 4 Production

Thursday 22nd March, 6.30pm

Year 5 and Year 6 Production

Year 5 Trip to Bignor Roman Villa – Tuesday 20th March

On Tuesday 20th March Year 5 will be visiting Bignor Roman Villa further details have been sent home.

Pre-Prep

Spring Has Sprung!



Now that the weather is improving and the days are longer you may wish to look at the National Trust ideas for enjoying springtime in the outdoors.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lists/50-things-spring-time-adventures>

Please do remember to bring in any pictures of signs of spring which the children have noticed and would like to contribute to our display in Pre-Prep.

Pre-Prep Trips

Year 1 trip to RHS Wisley - Wednesday 21st March

Year 2 trip to Gunnersbury Park Museum – Wednesday 25th April



EYFS

We very much value the contributions of parents towards the children's Learning Journeys. Next week we are looking at two particular areas that you may be able to help us with.



Firstly we are looking at the children's imaginative response to music. If your child moves to music after listening to a favourite song on the radio or a soundtrack to a film, please jot a note in the yellow Reading Diary as to what the song is and how they moved to the music. For example, '*Sam marched around the room after listening to....*' We may have some budding dancers in the making!

We are also looking for evidence of children writing in the home or at play. If you have any examples of your child experimenting with writing in their play, please do send them in for us to celebrate. Your child might be writing lists, cards, stories and it would be good for the children to share these writing experiences with their class.

Please note that we do want this to be the children's own work! Thank you.



Year 1 Maths



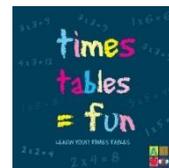
In Numeracy the children have been learning about telling the time to o'clock and half past in analogue and digital. It would help the children to practise this at home to consolidate learning.

Year 2

The children have been learning about counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and how this links with times tables. We have looked at how $2 \times 5 = 10$, $5 \times 2 = 10$ and $1 \times 10 = 10$.

There is a helpful link below for the children to practise this at home.

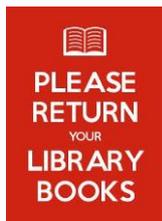
<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>



Library

End of Term Library Book Return

Pre-Prep Library Books



All Pre-Prep library books will be collected in for the holidays during normal library sessions next week. Pre-Prep pupils do not take a book home over the holidays to avoid having to keep track of them. Please could you try to help your child return their book next week on their usual day. Please note that **Year 2's** last library session is this **Friday 16th March** as school finishes early on the following Friday. Thank you in advance for your help!

Prep Library Books

Please ensure that your child returns their book on the day they have library next week. Year 3 pupils will be allowed one book over the holiday, while pupils in Years 4 and 5 will be able to keep two books, and Year 6 and above may have three books. All library books need to be returned or renewed by **Friday 23rd March**. The cost of any lost library books will be added to school bills. Thank you in advance for your help.

Meet the Senior Schools

Thursday 26 April 6.30pm-8.30pm, St Matthew's Church, St Petersburg Place, London W2 4LA

Choosing a senior school is a big decision, which is why it's best to do as much research as possible before making your choice. 'Open Your Eyes to Boarding' is an opportunity to discover what modern boarding has to offer your daughter. Together, you can meet face to face with representatives of 25 top UK boarding schools for girls. The event, brought to you by the Girls' Schools Association, is being held at St Matthew's Church, W2 4LA on Thursday 26 April at 6.30pm till 8.30pm and will include Head Teacher discussion/Q&A panels on key topics of interest, plus plenty of opportunity to talk one-to-one with school Heads. You and your daughter will also be able to see what a typical boarding school bedroom looks like, and talk to current students.

"Boarding today offers tremendous choice and opportunity," says Vivienne Durham, Chief Executive of the Girls' Schools Association. "This event will give you a flavour of the different sizes, ethos and locations of schools as well as how you can make boarding work for your individual family, with options such as flexi and weekly boarding, as well as full boarding."

<https://gsa.uk.com/open-your-eyes-to-boarding/>

Easter Activities



Little Gym Hampton Hill Easter Camp timetable.

They have lots on offer for all ages, with themes, skills, games, crafts and STEM activities, there is something for everyone this Easter holiday. Book one camp or all

the camps, whatever suits your schedule!

3rd- 6th April- Dinosaurs will take over the gym every morning for children aged 3-8 year (9.30am-12.30pm). Children will be lead through a dinosaur adventure, with lots of gymnastics, games and fun!

3rd- 6th April- Learn to run and flip off the walls in our free running and parkour inspired camp for children aged 5-12 years (1.30pm- 4.30pm)

9th-10th April & 12th-13th April- We will fly into outer space with our 3-8 year olds (9.30am-12.30pm). Prepare to jump to the moon, race along the beam to outer space and roll around Mars!

9th -10th April- We are teaching front and back handsprings, both on the floor and over the vault. Excellent fun for 5-12 years. (1.30pm-4.30pm)

12th April- Our ever popular cartwheel camp will teach cartwheels, one handed cartwheel, diving cartwheel and aerial cartwheels for 5-12 year olds (1.30pm-4.30pm)

Don't forget you can extend the morning with our lunch club (12.30pm-1.30pm)
Please contact The Little Gym for more information. Or website: [see here](#)

Chess

IAPS Chess Tournament Thursday 12th-Friday 13th April
Players involved have been notified by email.



Mind Sports

We had a fantastic attendance at our Mind Sports Week events. Below are the full list of winners who will be presented with their medals on Friday 23rd March.

Congratulations to everyone who took part!

Sport	Year	1st	2nd	3rd
Abalone	3-4 Girls	Amy G	Emilie H Rosie W Stella A	Imogen L Erin P
	3-4 Boys	Akshay P	Basti C	Liam M
	5-6 Girls	Anushka R Rhea P	May N	Emily B Emily S Alice W
	5-8 Boys	Oliver G	Theo K	Suryaksh T Ben W
Blokus	3-4	Basti C	Tania H	Gabriel H
	5-8	Rufus B	Oliver G Jai R	William
Checkers	Girls	Jasmin C	Neharika S Olivia M	Cordelia H

	3-4 Boys	Ben F	Jake Quick	Ted V
	5-8 Boys	Jai R Rizwan S	Oscar P	Simba K
Connect 4	Year 3	Tania H	William S	Liam M Ambrose B
	Year 4	Eshan B	Jasmin C Ewan S	Erin P Akshay P
	5-6 Girls	Alice W Hannahli F	Emily S	Beth K May N
	5-8 Boys	Jasper B	Alex H	Oscar P
Exchange Chess		Ali S Rizwan S Oliver G	Max C Simba K	Theo K Gad T Jai R Ajayan A
10 min Chess	3-4 Boys	Liam M Ted V	Justin Z Akshay P	Matthew W
	5-8 Boys	Theo K	Aiden S Gad T	Rizwan S Ali S Simba K Ajayan A James D
Code Breaker		Justin Z	Harry K	Daniel J Lewis W Matthew B Amy G
Octi	Girls	Annabelle A Grace L Park J	Daisy M	Juliette S
	3-4 Boys	Matthew W	Ewan S	William S
	5-8 Boys	Ali S	William P	John S Aiden S Lewis W
Mancala	3-4 Girls	Phoebe M	Isabella McC	Eireann OM
	3-4 Boys	Ewan S	Bear J	Oliver B
	5-6 Girls	Emily S Anushka R	Park J	Beth K
			May N	Anna S
			Beatrice W Alice McN	Alice W
5-8 Boys	Jasper B Lewis W Alexander B	Adam W	Daniel J	
Quoridor	Girls	Tania H	Xanthe R	Anousha M Sofia M Anna S
	3-4 Boys	Daniel J	Justin Z	Leo P

	5-8 Boys	Jasper B	Max C James D	Harry K Riley S
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PE, Games & Sports



RUGBY

Friday 16th March
U9 A, B & C rugby vs Bishopsgate
 Venue: Kempton
 Finish: 4pm at TPS
 All year 4 boys will be involved.

Friday 16th March
U8 A, B & C rugby vs Bishopsgate
 Venue: Bishopsgate school, Bishopsgate Rd, Englefield Green, Egham TW20 0YJ
 Finish: 4.30pm at TPS
 All year 3 boys will be involved.

Wednesday 21st March 2.30pm-4.30pm
U11 A, B rugby vs Surbiton
 Venue: Hinchey Wood, Playing Fields, KT10 0QA
 Finish: 4.30pm at TPS
 All year 6 boys will be involved

Wednesday 21st March 2.30pm-4pm
U10 A, B rugby vs Surbiton
 Venue: Kempton
 Finish: 4pm at TPS
 All year 5 boys will be involved



CROSS-COUNTRY

Year 3 & 4 Cross Country
 As the grey clouds rolled in on Friday 9th March, the Years 3 & 4 had their chance to take on the Cross Country course at Kempton Cricket Club. There was an air of nervousness but excitement surrounding the runners! All the pupils ran fantastically well and supported each other throughout the races, in tricky conditions.
 Congratulations to our winners:

	Year 3 Girls	Year 3 Boys	Year 4 Girls	Year 4 Boys
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1 st	Scarlett Q	Lagan GM	Chloe BK	Ben F
2 nd	Amrys P	Tima P	Isabelle M	Herbert B
3 rd	Rosie W	Leo P	Alice M	Ollie W

Thank you all the parents who came down to brave the weather and showed their support!



**Epsom Cross-Country
Friday 16th March 1pm**

Those children who have been selected for the Epsom Cross-Country have received a letter with all the information.

Pupils will leave school at 12.45pm and have an early lunch. Pupils will return at 4pm to TPS.



HOCKEY

Match Rescheduled from Friday 2nd March

Friday 16th March, 2.30pm-4.15pm

U8 Hockey Match vs Claremont Fan Court School (Home)

Venue: Surbiton Hockey Club, Sugden Road, Thames Ditton, KT7 0AE (Home)

Finish: 4.15pm at TPS

All girls in Year 3 will be involved

Wednesday 21st March 2.30pm-4.30pm

U10 Hockey vs Bishopsgate

Venue: 244 Worple Rd, Staines, TW18 1HR

Finish: 4.30pm at TPS

All Year 5 girls will be involved



IAPS Triathlon - Sunday 10th June

Any pupils who wish to enter the 2018 IAPS Triathlon please let Mr Doughty know and he will give you a letter. This competitive event is open to pupils in Years 5 to 8 and takes place on Sunday 10th June at Dulwich Prep School, Cranbrook in Kent.



GIRLS' CRICKET

We will be introducing Girls' Cricket to Years 3 and 4 on a Friday afternoons after Easter in the Summer Term. Following on from the success of the England Women's Cricket Team last summer, we want to be at the forefront of providing girls with a sport that is more accessible within the local area with various clubs, as well as paving a pathway towards playing county level and even higher.

The girls will wear their normal summer Games kit for Cricket; purple top, skirt and white socks.

For your information, below is a list of clubs where they run either mixed teams or have separate girls and boys teams:

East Molesey CC: KT8 9AL

Teddington CC: TW11 0EA

Teddington Town CC: TW11 0EA

**TWICKENHAM PREPARATORY SCHOOL
SPRING TERM MENU**

Week Commencing Monday 19th March 2018

	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Main Course	Fusilli Pasta with nut free green pesto and Mozzarella Pearls	Beef Casserole -	Roast Chicken with Gravy	Mild beef chilli with nachos	Fish Goujons
Alternative	Lamb Bolognese	Sweet & Sour Chicken Thighs	Sausages in an onion gravy	Lemon & Herb Chicken Strips	Beef Lasagne
Vegetarian Alternative	Aubergine Parmigiana	Vegetable Curry	Mushroom Ravioli	Quorn Mince chilli with Nachos	Glamorgan Sausages
Carbohydrate	Garlic and Herb Ciabatta Bites	Couscous	Roast Potatoes and Yorkshire Puddings	Savoury Rice	Chunky Chips
Vegetables	Carrot Sticks	Broccoli	Peas and Carrots	Sweetcorn	Homemade Mushy Peas
We also offer fresh vegetable sticks for Pre-Prep and a seasonal salad bar for Prep with a protein item option daily					
JACKET POTATO COUNTER (Prep Sitting Only)	Jacket Potatoes With the choice of baked beans, tuna mayo and grated cheese	Jacket Potatoes With the choice of baked beans, tuna mayo and grated cheese	Jacket Potatoes With the choice of baked beans, tuna mayo and grated cheese	Jacket Potatoes With the choice of baked beans, tuna mayo and grated cheese	Jacket Potatoes With the choice of baked beans, tuna mayo and grated cheese

Dessert	Toffee or Raspberry Frozen Yoghurt	Chocolate Chip Muffin	Apple Oat Crumble with Custard	Ice-cream Sponge Roll	Assorted Puddings
A choice of seasonal fruit and yoghurt is available each day and may be taken in addition or in place of a dessert					
Drinks	Jugs of fresh water available daily				

Parents' Committee News

Please send all bulletin submissions to Francesca Crutchfield at tpsnews1@gmail.com by midday on Tuesdays for inclusion in the following Thursday's bulletin

Dates for your diaries:

- Spring cake sale Rescheduled date TBC

Recruitment:

We are still looking to recruit a new team to take over the role of Secretary, Treasurer and PC Chair. We also need some help to run the second-hand uniform sale as well as someone to take over the second-hand uniform sale accounts. We would like to give our successors the opportunity to shadow us during 2018 to make the transition smooth. To find out more contact please contact Gill (tps.pcchair@outlook.com)