



Friday 5th January 2024

## Headship Team Update



A very Happy New Year to you all from all at Tyndale! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break, it's lovely to have the Tyndale family back together again! As a staff, we started our term by addressing New Year's Resolutions and we just want to share this with you too. Around this time of year, the question we're all asking one another is 'What are your New Year's resolutions?' So much so that many of us make up resolutions just to ensure we have a response to the question, even if we have no intention of following through!



We promise our friends and ourselves that this year will be the year in which we finally get fit, stick to a diet, mend bridges, take steps towards our ultimate ambition, and generally become the person that we'd like to be (or, perhaps, that they'd like us to be). There's nothing wrong with setting goals for yourself. But, sometimes, pressure to make a New Year's Resolution can feel like pressure to fundamentally change who you are as a person - immediately and for the better. This can lead to negative reflection on who you actually are and the direction your life is taking at the moment.

So instead we'd like to challenge you (as we have also challenged ourselves) to...

- Go for small, manageable resolutions which you know that you can achieve. This isn't to say that you aren't capable of achieving bigger things - you are! But nobody can predict what's upcoming in the year ahead, so it makes sense to leave yourself room to improve rather than to set yourself up for potential failure.
- Go easy on yourself. If your New Year's resolutions do fall by the wayside, tell yourself that this is a normal and natural thing. You probably had more important things to concentrate on. Don't beat yourself up!

**WELCOME  
BACK!**

We hope that you have a fantastic 2024. As always, we are here if you need anything at all.

## Important News

UPCOMING  
EVENTS



**Key Dates for Term 3** can be found below which include events for parents/carers to attend.

### PTA

Our PTA (Parents Teacher Association) group are meeting next **Thursday 11th January at 15:30**. If you are interested in finding out more or joining the group, **please come along to the office at 15:30**.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 3 Key Dates Document is accessible [here](#).



Wednesday 3rd January 2024 - Y5/6 Weekly Swimming Lessons Begin

Thursday 4th January 2024 - Year 2 Library Trip AM

Monday 15th January 2024 - Dog Trust Workshop

Tuesday 16th January 2024 - Road Safety Workshop Year 2 and Year 4 PM

Friday 19th January 2024 - World Religion Day - parents/carers invited in from 14:30

Wednesday 24th January 2024 - Year 1 Trip to Yate Heritage Centre

Friday 2nd February 2024 - NSPCC Number Afternoon - Adding and Subtracting Challenge - parents/carers

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## AWARDS

### Learning Heroes

Awarded by our Deputy Headteacher, Mr Crouch.

#### Ambitious Ade

W1 - Artur - Y3

For spending his half term learning about how to do coding on his computer!

#### Collaborative Katherine

W1 - Aida - Y1

For helping new members of the class to settle in by giving them clear instructions about what they need to do.

#### Resilient Richard

W1 - Zian - Y2

For continuing on his daily tasks for an extended period of time, not giving up and asking for support when he needs it.

#### Independent Ida

W1 - Dariia - Y5

For taking some time to herself at breaktime when she could feel herself coming out of the green zone.

#### Governor's Award

Tadiwa - Year 3

For his independent work when completing his maths worksheets and great ambition and resilience.

Great job!

#### Dojo Champions

Well done for earning the most Class Dojos!

R -

Y1 - Arthur

Y2 - Acacia

Y3 - JJ

Y4 - Ivana

Y5 - Jessica

Y6 - Alex

#### Reading Rockstars

For demonstrating that they love reading as much as we do!

R - Anne

Y1 - Jaclyn

Y2 - Zian

Y3 - Ellie

Y4 - Nevaeh

Y5 - Archie

Y6 - Jayden



### Stars of the Week

Awarded by our Headteacher, Ms Parkhouse.

Kayden

Marta

Artur

Cleo

Lacie

Isla

Toromo

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## CLASS UPDATES

### RECEPTION

Reception have come back raring to get back into their learning! They have been enjoying their story of the week: Jack and the beanstalk and were so excited to talk about their wonderful holidays. What a fantastic end to the year Reception had, the Nativity was AMAZING and their resilience during the performances were exceptional. Keep being wonderful Reception!



### YEAR 1

Year 1 has settled back into the classroom routines incredibly well. They have been delighted to enter the classroom this week to find a meerkat toy and story focus for the term 'Meerkat Mail'. In Mathematics, the children have been using markings and a number line to subtract amounts. Keep up the fantastic work Year 1!

### YEAR 2

Year 2 were shocked when they returned to school this week. They found biscuit crumbs and photos of their classroom with a dragon in it! They wrote letters to teachers in the school to find out if they had also had a dragon in their classroom but it turns out Year 2 were the only lucky ones! The dragon left them a new book to read called The Dragon Machine and the dragon in the book also likes biscuits! In Maths they are continuing to apply addition and subtraction skills to solve problems.



### YEAR 3

What a great first week back for year 3! They have now started their new unit in writing which is all about different legends! The one they are focusing on is The Mousehole Cat and so far they are having great fun! In maths Year 3 have now started their second unit of multiplication and division. Keep up the good work Year 3!



### YEAR 4

Year 4 has settled fantastically! They have been very impressive by using the learning heroes and character habits right away in their learning. Year 4 are continuing multiplication and division in Maths and have been learning about factors and factor pairs using manipulatives. In English, we are looking at balanced arguments and will be writing about whether witches should put spells on children. Well done Year 4 for a great start to the term.



### YEAR 5

Year 5 has had a fantastic start to the term! They have shown enthusiasm in our new topic about the Anglo-Saxons, they were all engaged and had lots of questions to ask. They are enjoying listening to our new story Race to Frozen North, and are fascinated to know we are reading a true story about Matthew Henson. Keep up the good work Year 5



### YEAR 6

Year 6 has settled back in brilliantly after the Christmas break. They have started their new unit 'On the Move' and are excited about writing an autobiography based on the text 'The Arrival' next week. In Maths, Year 6 will be starting to learn about decimals. Well done!



### Staff Shout Out

Ms Richings (SMSA and Cleaner)

For being fab supporting KS1 during their lunch breaks and doing an incredible job!

Thank you Ms Richings!



THANK YOU!

### Staff Fun Fact

Ms Cohen  
(Year 6 Teacher).

I am fluent in British Sign Language (BSL).



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## ATTENDANCE FOR THIS FORTNIGHT

**YEAR 6** **92%**

**YEAR 2** **89%**

**YEAR 5** **93%**

**YEAR 1** **90%**

**YEAR 4** **96%**



**YEAR R** **95%**

**YEAR 3** **94%**

**WHOLE SCHOOL** **93%**

0 school days off  
each year  
0 lessons missed

100%

7 school days off  
each year  
35 lessons missed

98%

96%

4 school days off  
each year  
20 lessons missed

94%

11 school days off  
each year  
55 lessons missed

1 month off each year  
100 lessons missed

90%

80%

2 months or more  
off each year  
200+ lessons missed

Children that attend well  
tend to achieve well.  
Not only does this lead to  
increased learning, but it  
also leads to improved  
self-esteem and wellbeing.



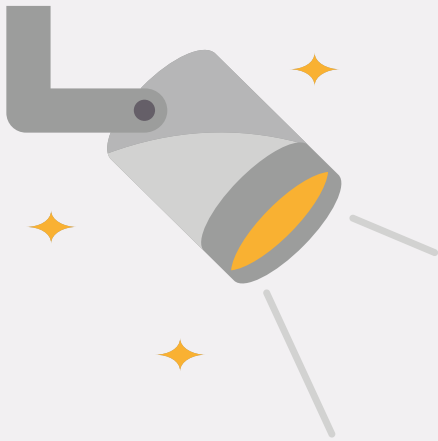
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## SPOTLIGHT ON SEND



As we enter a new year, I would just like to remind all parents that if you have any questions or concerns about your child's needs, please book an appointment with me via the main office.

I am here to support all parents, regardless of whether your child has identified, or currently unidentified, needs.

Ms Smyth

## ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

This term, children are learning the themes below. Our academic curriculum is knowledge-based and Science, History, Geography, Art, and Design Technology are taught through themes.



Year Reception - Castles and Houses

Year One - Street Detectives



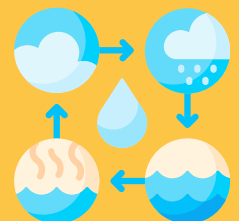
Year Two - Explore

Year Three - Making Waves

Year Four - Marvellous Maya

Year Five - Traders and Raiders

Year 6 - On the Move



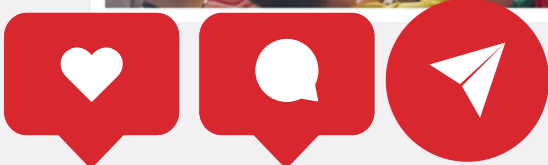


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## THIS FORTNIGHT IN PICTURES

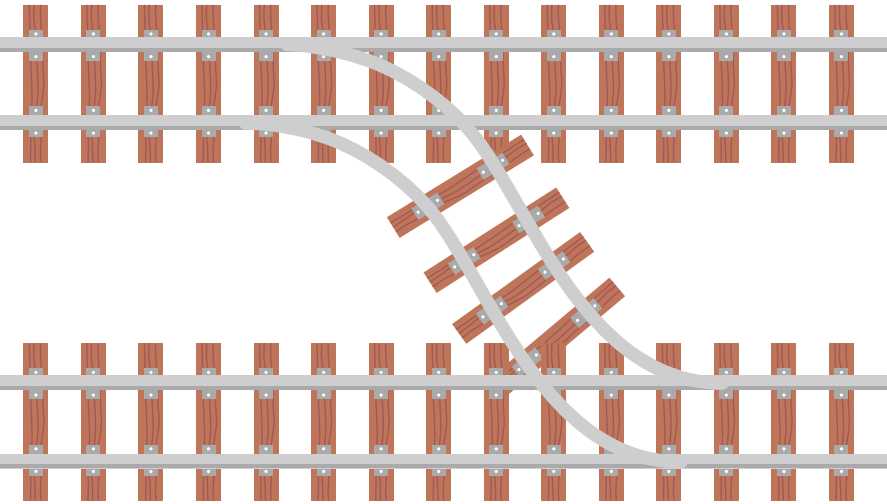
We've had another fantastic fortnight!

Here are some snapshots to show some of the varied learning experiences...





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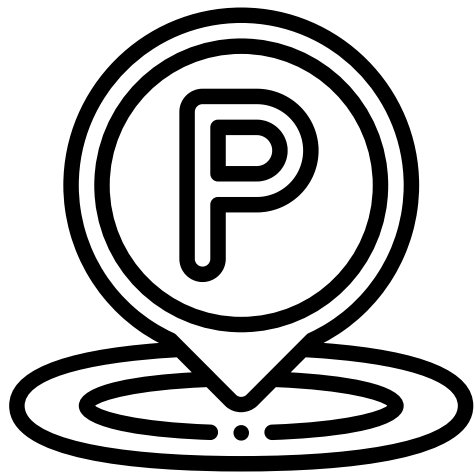
## Railway Safety.

Please click the links below to share the videos with your children.

**Please click here to watch the video  
(Years R, 1, and 2)**

**Please click here to watch the video  
(Years 3, 4, 5, and 6)**

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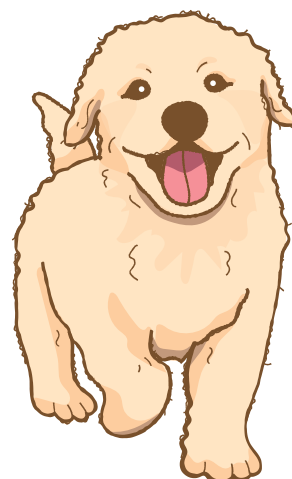


## Cars and Parking

Please be extra cautious and vigilant when driving into the school car park and the surrounding area of the school.

## Dogs

A polite reminder that we do not allow any dogs on site unless it is a service dog.



Please dismount your bike or scooter when entering the school grounds

## Bikes and Scooters

For safety, please remind your child to dismount from their bike or scooter when entering the school grounds.



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THINKING ABOUT FINDING THE  
RIGHT SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD?

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

We don't need to hold an  
Open Day to show off...

*Tyndale is the show!*

Come and visit us during the school  
day when we're open to see what  
makes us so special.

Book a tour and you will spend  
individual, valuable time with the  
Head or Deputy Head who will:

- GIVE YOU PERSONALISED ADVICE  
ON THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS
- INTRODUCE YOU TO STAFF
- GIVE YOU A FULL SCHOOL TOUR
- ANSWER ALL YOUR QUESTIONS

**BOOK A  
SCHOOL  
TOUR**

Anytime between  
September to  
January

**GET IN TOUCH TO BOOK NOW**

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## VISION

When pupils leave us in Year 6, they will  
have acquired the seven character habits  
- ready, respectful, safe, ambitious,  
resilient, collaborative, independent.



## MISSION

Our mission at Tyndale, is to give  
every child the best chance of  
success.



*Give your child the*  
**BEST CHANCE  
OF SUCCESS**



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## WELCOME ALL PROSPECTIVE 2024 PARENTS AND CARERS!

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**OF SUCCESS** ★

Welcome to Tyndale Primary School. We are a highly aspirational, caring and welcoming school for children aged 4 – 11 located in Yate, South Gloucestershire. We have excellent facilities including a newly refurbished building, an extensive amount of land inclusive of playing fields, sporting areas and multiple newly developed playgrounds. We pride ourselves on our unapologetic high standards irrespective of prior attainment, background or SEND and are committed to ensuring all pupils have the best chance of success.

To find out more about everything we do here at Tyndale Primary School, **please arrange a tour and visit our website.** We look forward to meeting you!



## STAY AND PLAY SESSIONS

We will hold Stay and Play sessions in January for children to come and see the class environment and meet our EYFS staff. Follow our Facebook, Instagram or Twitter page for updates.



## THIS IS WHAT OUR PARENTS ARE SAYING...

My child does well at Tyndale



100%

There is a good selection of after school clubs



100%

School lets me know how my child is doing



97%

My children learn a good range of subjects



97%

My child is happy at school



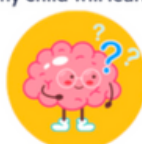
95%

Would recommend Tyndale to another parent



95%

I'm informed of what my child will learn



95%

Tyndale supports my child's wider development



94%



## GET IN TOUCH

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