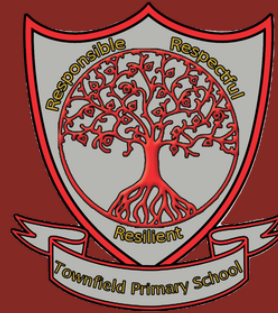


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FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER



MESSAGE FROM MRS DURHAM

Hope everyone has had a good half term holiday so far. What a busy end to the half term finished with our fabulous Spooky Disco and Stay and Play sessions.

I just want to thank **Vern, Sam, and Aga** for turning the school hall and Nursery room into the most fabulous spooky backdrop for our party. The thought that went into the decorations was excellent—they were friendly and spooky! We had bubble machines and giant-sized pumpkins for our youngest children, and a bit more scary with moving monsters, a Jack-in-the-Box, and creepy holograms for our older children. It made it a truly unforgettable experience.

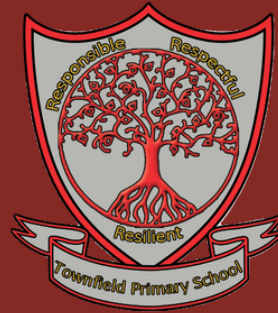
We also thank all the parents for providing fabulous costumes for all the children and a special thank you to our parent volunteers. A final thank you to our fabulous staff who all danced and supported the discos.

Thank you so much for all of your kind thank you emails—the messages have been passed on to all the staff. We will let you know the total amount we made, which will be spent on improving the indoor and outdoor environment for our children.

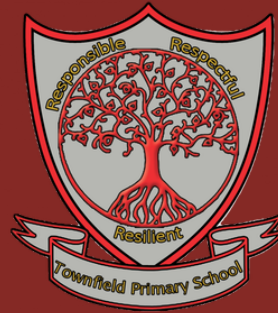


We look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Monday and seeing you all for Parents' Evening on Monday and Tuesday.

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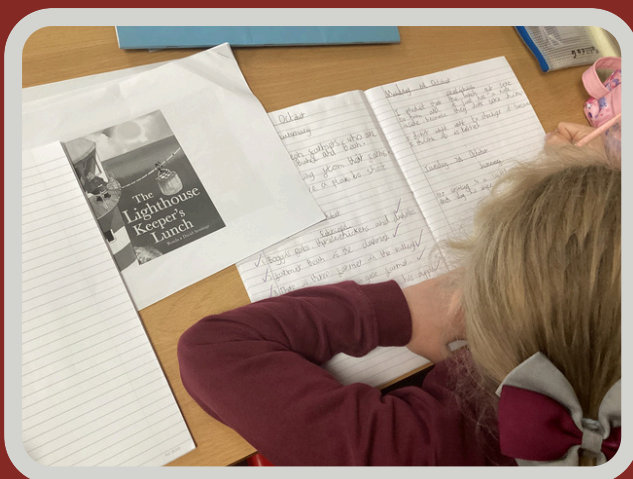
READING AT THE HEART OF OUR SCHOOL

At our school, reading is a cornerstone of learning, enjoyment, and discovery. From our youngest nursery children to our oldest pupils, we foster a love of books and storytelling every step of the way.

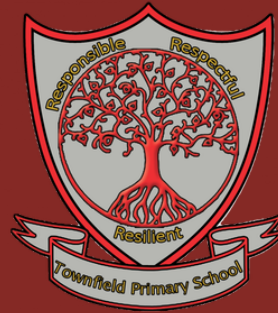
In **Nursery**, children are surrounded by stories. They share a wide variety of books every day, building their listening skills, vocabulary, and imagination. It's here that the joy of reading begins!

As children move into **Reception, Year 1, and Year 2**, they begin their journey with **Read Write Inc.**, a phonics-based programme that teaches them the sounds they need to read words confidently. It's an exciting time as letters and sounds come together to form words and stories, unlocking a new world for our early readers.

In **Year 3 and beyond**, we introduce children to the **VIPERS** reading skills: **Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval, and Summarising**. These essential strategies help children develop a deeper understanding of the texts they read and prepare them for more complex comprehension across the curriculum. To support this journey, we have **daily reading lessons** across all year groups. Every class also shares a **set of class novels** throughout the year – carefully chosen to broaden horizons and spark meaningful discussions.



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We are proud of the diverse range of texts available to our children, from classic tales to modern stories that reflect the world around us. Every classroom has a dedicated reading area, designed to be inviting and inspiring, where children can lose themselves in a good book.

Our reading culture is strengthened by the support of our wonderful reading volunteers, who work with children one-on-one to build fluency and confidence. We're always looking for more volunteers to join us – if you love reading and have some time to spare, we'd love to hear from you!

We also hold annual book fairs, giving families the chance to explore new books and support the school at the same time.

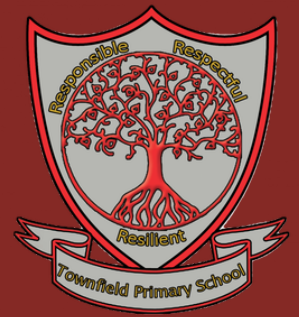


Coming soon: our Parents' Book Swap Shed! This exciting new addition will offer parents the opportunity to swap, share, and discover books – creating a community of readers beyond the classroom.

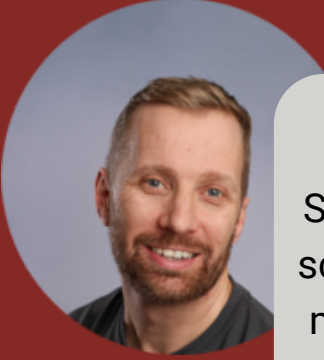
Reading is more than a subject at our school – it's a lifelong gift we're proud to nurture. Thank you for being part of our reading community!



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HELLO FROM MR STRATTON



Hi everyone! I'm Mr Stratton or as the children call me Mr Lee, the Site Manager here at Townfield Primary. My job is to make sure our school is safe, tidy, and running smoothly every day. You'll often see me fixing things, checking classrooms and playgrounds, or helping set up for events and activities.

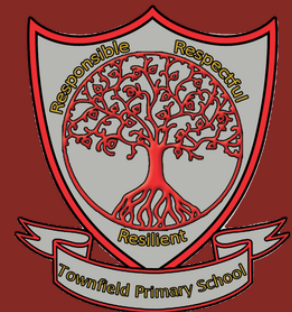
No two days are ever the same – one minute I might be unblocking a drain, the next I'm marking out the football pitch! I also look after the health and safety side of things, making sure everything in school is working properly and safely for everyone.

It's a busy job, but I love being part of the Townfield team and helping keep our school a great place to learn and have fun!



Mr Stratton getting everything ready for our children returning to school next week!

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YEAR 4 ROMAN BRITAIN VISIT TO CHESTER.

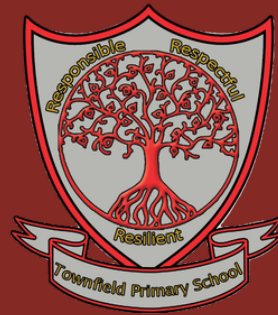
Last week Y4 celebrated the completion of their History topic on Roman Britain with a visit to Chester to explore what life was like 2000 years ago. We were able to dress up, explore artefacts, look at Roman food and culture and march through the streets to the amphitheater theatre to practise Roman attack formations.

“It was the best trip I’ve ever been on!” Said Polly in 4M

A big thank you to all our parent helpers for supporting us with this great day out.



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MICHAEL ROSEN DAY THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

On Thursday 19th November we will be taking part in Michael Rosen's Poetry Day. The children will be involved in an online session with Michael Rosen.

Before the day, Michael has set a competition for the children to write a poem about food inspired by his brilliant poem "Hot Food: Nice!".

Whether it's about spine-tingling spaghetti, carrots from outer space or monsters who eat marmalade, your poem just needs to do two things: 1. Be creative and 2. Be funny!

Your poem has to be less than 100 words and submitted to your teacher by Wednesday 15th October.

If your poem wins, you and school will receive a bundle of signed Micheal Rosen books.

BBC 500 WORDS COMPETITION

We are also holding our very own Townfield Primary 500 Words competition to celebrate the amazing talent in our school.

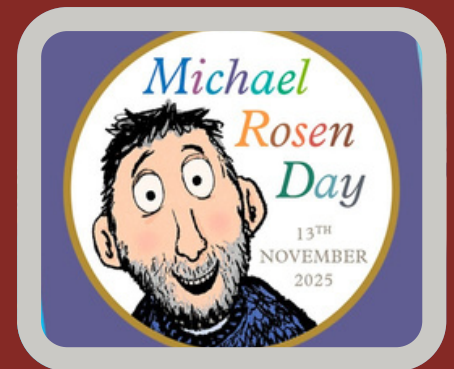
Children are encouraged to bring in a handwritten or typed copy of their story to school to compete for the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 winner titles.

Townfield Prizes:

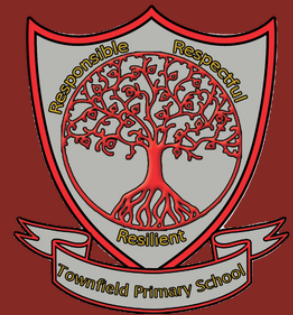
- A certificate of achievement.
- The thrill of hearing their story read out in assembly.
- A £10 Amazon voucher!

We are so excited to read the stories that your children will create!

Closing Date 01.11.25



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PARENTS EVENING

As we are now settled into the new school year, we would like to invite you in to speak with your child's class teacher.

These meetings will be held on Monday 3rd November and Tuesday 4th November 3.30-6.00pm.

3MJ times are slightly different the times for that class are 3.30pm until 4.50pm Monday and Tuesday with Miss Murphy or 3.30pm - 6.00pm Tuesday with Mrs Jones.

You will need to log onto Arbor to book an appointment with your child's class teacher.

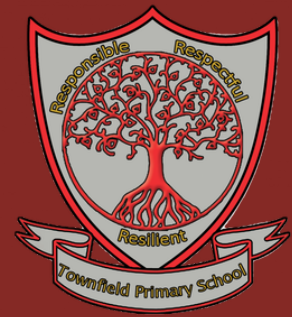
Please note that in order to meet with all parents, a 10 minute slot will need to be adhered to.

In these meetings, each class teacher will discuss how your child(ren) are progressing in school both academically and pastorally. You will also have an opportunity to view all work produced in school.

Any problems please contact the school office.



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OUR GOLDEN TIE WINNERS

This week, our Golden Tie winners have been chosen for displaying one or more of our core school values.

We are incredibly proud of all the students who have shown:

Excellence: Having the highest expectations of ourselves and others.

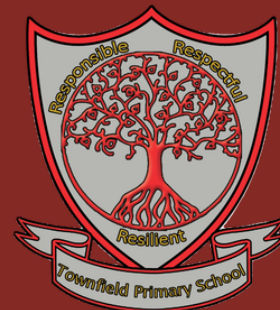
Wisdom: Always being eager to learn.

Friendship and Trust: Being kind and honest.

Endurance: Keeping going even when things are tough.

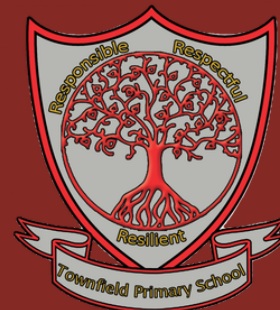
A huge congratulations to all our winners! We are so proud of your hard work and dedication this week.





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 3 rd November	Pupils Return to School
Monday 3 rd November	5W Swimming
Monday 3 rd and Tuesday 4 th November	Parents Evening
Thursday 13th November	Year 5 Bikeability (Details to follow)
Wednesday 19 th November	Individual and Sibling Photos
Thursday 20 th November	Individual and Sibling Photos
Monday 1 st December	5H Swimming
Monday 8 th December	5M Swimming
Monday 2 nd February 2026	Year 6 Bikeability

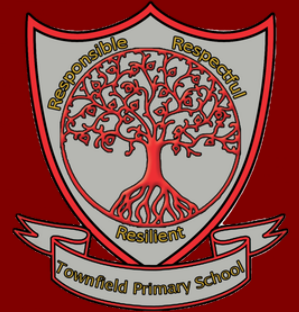


CHRISTMAS DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Friday 28 th November	Bring a Bottle Christmas Prep Day
Friday 5 th December Wednesday 10 th Back up Date	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 9 th December	Rudolph Ramble St Johns Hospice
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day (No Deli Available)
Tuesday 16 th December	Pantomime
15 th , 17 th & 18 th December	KS1 Performance 9.30am in school hall.
15 th December	Year 3 & 4 Performance at St Saviours church at 2.30pm
18 th December	Year 5 & 6 Performance at St Saviours church at 2.30pm
Friday 19 th December	Father Christmas Visit
Friday 19 th December	School Closes for Christmas at 13.30pm

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NEW MENUS WEEK COMMENCING 3RD NOVEMBER

Week ONE

Monday Beef Burger

Choose from either a butcher's quality beef burger or a Quorn burger served in a bun with cheese. Served with homemade potato wedges, dips and coleslaw



Tuesday Homemade Pizza

Choose from cheese & tomato, pepperoni served with tomato pasta & sweetcorn



Deli Bar Available Everyday

Design your own sandwich, first choose your bread - wraps, assorted batch or sliced bread, then choose your filling a selection of the following will be available daily - ham, cheese, tuna and finally finish with a choice of salad - carrot sticks, cucumber, cherry tomatoes, iceberg lettuce, sweetcorn



Wednesday Roast Dinner

Choose from either a home roast of the day or a Quorn fillet served with roast potatoes, mashed potatoes, vegetables and gravy



Thursday Chilli Nachos

Choose from either fresh mince beef or Quorn mince cooked with onions, mild chilli powder, red peppers and kidney beans topped with tortilla chips and cheese served on a bed of rice



Friday Fish & Chips

Choose from either battered cod fillet, cod fillet fish fingers or Quorn nuggets baked in the oven and served with chips and peas or baked beans.



Dessert & Drinks

Fresh fruit, fruit pots, yogurts, cheese & crackers are available daily along with Dessert of the day. A selection of fruit juice and water will be available daily



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Are you a parent with a child aged 0-10 years?

Do you ever wonder what is going on in your child's mind or find it hard to make sense of what they do and why they do it?

Would you like to...

- Be curious about your child and think about what the world is like through their eyes?
- Understand more about your child?
- Learn more about yourself, your own feelings and you as a parent?
- Strengthen the relationship between you and your child now to give your relationship the best possible start?



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LIGHTHOUSE PARENTS GROUP

2026



What is the Lighthouse Parents Group?

It is a group about the *emotional* side of parenting. It is NOT a 'how to' group (we don't teach about reward charts, or prescribe how many minutes 'timeout' to give!)

We help you to understand the feelings underneath your child's behavior so that you can decide how to respond best to what your child needs.

You'll learn more about your own mind too and how your emotions and experiences have an impact on you.

Why is it called Lighthouse?

We talk about life as a sea journey - it can be rough for all of us, including our children.

Your job as a parent is to be a 'Lighthouse' for your child to help guide them. This group helps you to do this the best as you can.



It will provide a safe, non-judgmental space for you to think and talk with other parents 'in the same boat'.

Who is it run by, when and where?

The Lighthouse Parents Group lasts for 22 weeks. It will start Wednesday 7th January 2026 and run weekly for 2 hours 10-12 am. We will have breaks for school holidays and Christmas.

It will take place at Seacombe Children's Centre.

It will be run by Michelle Hardy (Mental Health Assistant Practitioner), Jodie Jones (Mental Health Practitioner) and a Trainee Clinical Psychologist. We are passionate about working with parents and their babies/ young children!

How do I find out more about the group?

Talk to your Children Centre worker, or contact us at Wirral Children's and Young Person's Mental Health Service (CYPMHS): 0300 303 3157. You may have been to parenting groups before... we think this one is different!

See your child more clearly

See yourself more clearly

