Tilston Parochial
CE Primary Academy

'Encourage one another and build each other up.'' Thessalonians 5:11

Date: 20th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Bonfire Bingo
Last week ended with a bang with another hugely successful TSA event! Our Bonfire Bingo was a wonderful opportunity for families to come together, enjoy a fun-filled evening and raise valuable funds for our school.

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us and supported the event. A very special thank you goes to our fantastic TSA for all their hard work, time and effort in organising such a brilliant evening. We are incredibly grateful for everything you do to support our school and provide such lovely opportunities for our school community!






Non-Uniform Day- Friday 27th November
Our School Committee would like to invite all children to wear non-uniform next Friday 27th November in support of Whitchurch Foodbank. We would be very grateful for donations of small Christmas treats, such as a small packet of biscuits, mince pies, or a chocolate Santa, to help spread a little festive joy to local families. We appreciate that Christmas can be an expensive time for everyone, so donations are entirely voluntary, and all children are welcome to come in non-uniform, regardless of whether they are able to make a donation.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness and generosity.



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School Meals

Next week's menu is WEEK 3
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The Class Dojo Champions this week are the House Martins.
Well done for always being **ready, respectful and safe.**

Wrens	Robins	Kestrels	House Martins
317	359	119	**557**

Values Ambassadors
Our Values Ambassadors have made our celebration worship even more special by recognising and praising individual children for living out our core Christian values.

Value/Values Ambassador	Children we are very proud of and why
Joy- Fearne	Verity: for being a joyful friend
Courage- Phoebe	Bella: for being a courageous learner
Community- Beatrix	Lexi: for always living out the values in our school community
Trust- Jasmine	Remy: for always being trustworthy
Friendship- Georgia	Charles: for showing friendship in outdoor exploring
Respect- Beth	Rowan: for being respectful in class and at playtime



Well done to the following children for their fantastic efforts towards our personal development focus this week — **Push Yourself.**

They have shown wonderful determination, courage and resilience by challenging themselves, stepping outside their comfort zones and striving to achieve their very best, even when faced with difficulties.

Stars of the Week

N	Charlie H: trying things out of his comfort zone
YR	Bella: pushing herself in all areas of learning
Y1	William: pushing himself to tackling maths challenges
Y2	Finley: pushing himself to achieve in maths challenges
Y3	Toby: pushing himself to concentrate
Y4	Paul: pushing himself to give his best in literacy
Y5	Orla: really pushing herself with her maths work
Y6	Josh: for really pushing himself with his writing

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Neat and Improved Handwriting Award	
Nursery	Rosa
Reception	Olive
Year 1	Oscar
Year 2	Emilia
Year 3	Henry
Year 4	Orla
Year 5	Teddy
Year 6	Beatrix

Presentation Award	
Robins	Lockie
House Martins	Harvey
Kestrels	



Christmas Nativity – *A Miracle in Town!*
We are delighted to invite families to this year's Christmas Nativity, A Miracle in Town! featuring our Nursery, Reception and Robins pupils.

We are also thrilled to continue our tradition of hosting a special performance exclusively for grandparents on Tuesday 8th December at 2:00pm.
There will be two performances for parents on Wednesday 9th December at 2:00pm and 6:00pm.

Each family may reserve up to two tickets per performance. Please remember that all children, including babies, require a ticket to comply with fire safety regulations.



KS2 Christingle Services
Our beautiful Christingle service will take place at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 16th December at 6:00pm. All KS2 pupils are expected to take part in this special Christmas celebration. Each family may book up to two tickets.

We are also delighted to host our special Grandparents' Christingle Service on Tuesday 15th December at 2:15pm in school.

This has become a much-treasured occasion for both our children and grandparents, and we would love to preserve this lovely tradition as a special celebration exclusively for grandparents.

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Bookings Now Open!
Bookings are now open via School Spider for all Nativity performances and Christingle services.

Please ensure you reserve your tickets before 12 noon on Tuesday 1st December, when bookings will close.

Due to increasing pupil numbers across the school, we are unfortunately unable to offer additional tickets this year. Thank you for your understanding and support.

We cannot wait to welcome you to these wonderful celebrations and share the joy and magic of Christmas with our school community!

Wrens	97.7%
Robins	98.3% ★
House Martins	98.2%
Kestrels	97.3%

It's great to see everyone working so hard to achieve our 97.2% target.

We can only do this if we all work together!

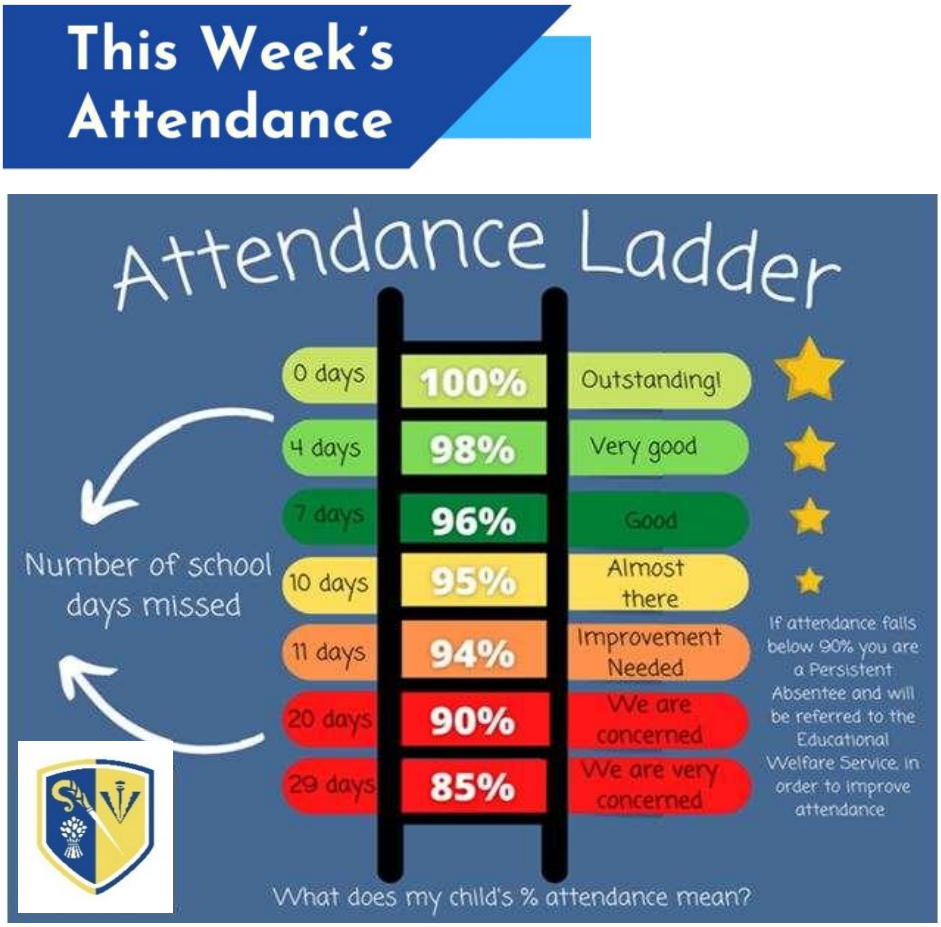
Our attendance for this week is

★ **97.9%** ★

Our attendance for the year to date

Tilston	98.3%
National	96.3%
CWAC	96.8%

Everyday Counts!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

TSA Meeting
The TSA are meeting on Tuesday 24th November at 7:30pm at The Carden Arms. Please see the attached agenda for details.

TSA
Tilston School Association

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Poppy Appeal
A huge thank you to everyone who kindly donated to the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. Together, we raised a fantastic **£180.95** for this very worthy cause. Thank you for your generosity and for helping us to support and remember those who have served our country.

Winter Weather Plan
Please see attached a copy of our Winter Weather Plan. We will always aim to keep school open throughout the winter months, wherever it is safe to do so. In the event of adverse weather conditions, please refer to the attached plan for details of our procedures and how we will communicate any necessary school closures.

Spare Clothing Appeal
We would be very grateful for any donations of spare pants, tights or socks suitable for children aged 4–7 years to replenish our supply of spare clothing in school. If you have any items you are able to donate, please drop them off at the school office. Thank you for your continued support!



Prayer of the week (Worship Leaders- Katie & Georgia)

Dear Lord,
Thank you for this school week, and the things we have learnt.
We are thankful for our friends and family.
Thank you for giving your life for us all.
Amen

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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