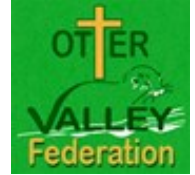


Tipton St John Bulletin

BELIEVING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE



Friday 8th May 2026

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Dear Parents

I hope you enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and saw a bit of the sun. We have had a good week, with our Y6s doing last bits of preparation for SATs next week. We wish them all the best for next week! We have been marking David Attenborough's 100th Birthday this week (today!) with our Collective Worship on Wednesday and then in our celebration CW today as well. Thank you so much to everyone who entered **our photo competition** - there were some amazing entries -everyone did so well, I had no idea we had such a talented bunch of photographers in school.. We'll try and post some of them each week in bulletins (I don't think email will cope with the whole lot in one go!).

It's a great moment to think of our School value of Thankfulness. We can be grateful for all David Attenborough has done across his lifetime in raising awareness of the need to look after our planet. We can be grateful for the natural world around us. All of this lifts our spirits and enables us to live life to the full, and achieve our vision of believing and achieving to be the best we can be. Do read on for more information from Mrs Garrick about our **Creative Arts Week and Field Studies Day**.

A few practical reminders again: Please remember suncream, sunhats and water bottles this term—the weather looks set fair for the foreseeable!

Attendance

Class	Attendance
R	95.45%
1	97.22%
2	99.17%
3	87.50%
4	99.04%
5	90.63%
6	100%
Whole School	96.08%

A reminder about school uniform as well—please make sure shoes are black and not trainers, and no jewellery is worn apart from stud ear-rings and watches.

Have a great weekend!

Pete Button, Head of School

Winning House This Week is:

Leopards! Well done to them!

Dates to Remember :

Tuesday 12th May—Year 3/ 4Quad Kids (leaving at 12pm)

Monday 18th May—Field Studies day and beginning of Creative Arts Week (PE kit)

Tuesday 19th—Friday 22nd May—Creative Arts Week—see separate email/update

Monday 8th June—Return to school after half term holidays

Sunday 21st June—Oak on Residential until Wednesday

Friday 17th July—Sports Day 1.30pm

Wednesday 22nd July—Summer Fair 1.15pm

Heart Values Awards



Oak: — **Erin Butterworth Wise**—**Hope, Achievement, Thankfulness**—
Another great week for Erin who has been really positive both socially and academically - producing some excellent answers in our revision week and socially demonstrating a great sense of humour and fun

Willow: — **Matty**—**Empathy**—always being a good friend and making sure everyone is included in playtime games.

Maple: — **Ellisia**— **Achievement**—making brilliant progress in her Literacy work especially handwriting.

Hazel— **Morris**— **Achievement**—For making good progress in his letter formation and having a go at writing simple sentences.



We are happy to speak to any person at any time with regard to the safety of children. If you have any concerns please contact:

Designated Safeguarding Lead for Otter Valley Federation:
Amanda Fulford, Executive Headteacher

Safeguarding Governor: Mark Humphries

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Pete Button, Head of School

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Richard Hatswell,
Teacher

Alternatively you can contact MASH on 0345 155 1071

David Attenborough Photo Competition Entries!

A huge well done to everyone—winners to be confirmed next week!



Josiah—Hazel

William—Maple



Thomas—Willow

Here is a flavour
of the entries we
received!

Kobi—Oak



Houses and House Points

We have a House System at Tipton. There are four houses: Lions (Yellow), Tigers (Red), Leopards (Green) and Panthers (Blue).

There are Y6 House captains for each house who will be counting up the house points earned each week by children in each class. These will give us a winning house who will be presented with the trophy on a Friday afternoon. We will be giving rewards for the most house points over the weeks and half terms—extra playtime and treats.

The children have been working hard to earn housepoints this week and have enjoyed the challenge!

Winners this week were Leopards

Leopards

Lions

Panthers

Tigers



85 House points



84 house points



57 house points



69 house points

House Captains:

Harrison and Annabelle—Leopards

Reuben and Jessica—Lions

Kobi and Rosie—Tigers

Ted and Ammara—Panthers

Hello families!

Family Miniature Garden Project - for Monday 18th May.

To start our Field Studies and Creative Arts Week we would love every family to make a miniature garden. When we have done this in the past, we had many creative designs in containers from wellie boots to unused toilets! Your garden could have a particular theme or just fill it up with flowers to brighten up the school. Please can you bring your container to the lower site with your child's name on Monday 18th May. Please collect your creation on Friday 22nd May or you can leave it at school. Hope you enjoy working together as a family and we really appreciate your support. Please note the following...

Monday 18th May - children to come to school in PE kit for our Field Study Day. Please remember a coat, a water bottle, a sun hat and wear sunscreen.

Wednesday 20th May - children can come to school in comfortable clothes and footwear/trainers to dance in.

Thank you again for your support

Mrs Garrick

Breakfast and After School Club

An update—we are delighted to say that this has had a successful start ! Do make contact if you would like to make use of it for your children.

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VOSRA Presentation of Cheque for Forest School!

We have just met to present the cheque for the money raised for Forest School at Tipton from VOSRA. The money has been spend on a new wood store, a fire pit and other items of equipment. Huge thank you to everyone who contributed so generously to this.

Mr Button

