

Tipton St John Bulletin

BELIEVING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE



Friday 15th May 2026

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Dear Parents

It seems amazing that half term is only a week away—this half term has flown along! It's been great to see our Year 6 face the challenge of SATS tests so well. They have demonstrated all our values and vision brilliantly this week and we are so proud of them, whatever the results! Seeing them keep going when faced with really difficult questions was inspiring (google SATS reading and Maths and have a go yourself if you want to see what they face). This cohort were in Year 2 when I began as Head, so it's lovely to see how they've developed, grown academically and socially—I feel quite parentally proud! Well done too to Willow Class who represented the school brilliantly at the Quad Kids (Athletics) event at Kings on Tuesday. We await full results but think we have had more success! We're looking forward to our Creative Arts week and Field Studies day next week—a big thank you to Mrs Garrick for all her work in putting this together. It promises to be a lot of fun with some great learning opportunities along the way—map skills, fitness, dance, music and art are all represented! Do make sure you check emails and notices for what children need when next week. Let's hope for some good weather too! We have announced our winner of the David Attenborough Photo Competition today, so read on to find out the details. Well done to everyone who submitted an entry—we had nearly 30!

Attendance

Class	Attendance
R	86.36%
1	96.67%
2	97.33%
3	83.33%
4	93.08%
5	88.13%
6	100%
Whole School	92.77%

A reminder about school uniform as well—please make sure **shoes are black**, and no jewellery is worn apart from stud ear-rings and watches. Please also make sure clothing is clearly named—we are building up lost property supplies again!

Have a great weekend!

Winning House This Week is:

Lions! Well done to them!

Dates to Remember :

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: — **All of Year 6**—excellent work on completing the SATS test. You did us proud demonstrating all the values and our vision to believe and achieve to be the best we can be!

Willow: — **Harry—Achievement**—For a fantastic performance in the 400m at Kings on Tuesday!

Maple: — **Flynn—Empathy**—kindness to others and caring comments during circle time .

Hazel— Ben - Thankfulness—for being excellent at explaining what we are thankful for at home and at school in circle time this week.



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 very difficult choice because they were all great and could have won!!! Winners were:



Josiah—Hazel



William—Maple



Thomas—Willow



Daisy P —Oak

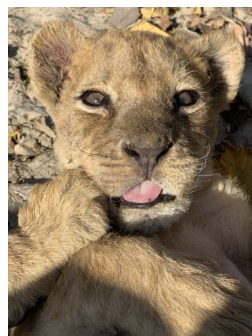
Here is a flavour
of other entries
we received!



Harley—Oak



Wiki—Oak



Mia—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). House points are earned for good work, effort, good behaviour and demonstrating our values in school.

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 LIONS!

Leopards

Lions

Panthers

Tigers



125 House points



129 house points



128 house points



126 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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Sunday 17th May

In the Community Hall

- Breakfast served from 10.30am (coffee and pastries)
- Service starts about 11.00 (don't worry you can carry on eating and drinking!)
- Singing, Activities and Worship designed for all age groups

Everyone is very welcome – for transport call 07743325380



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