

NEWSLETTER

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The Telford Park School



The launch of our fortnightly newsletter coincides with the end of our first month as The Telford Park School. We have already made tremendous progress in establishing a new identity with our staff and pupils rising to the challenge of ensuring excellence in education for our community. New systems are in place to enable all of our staff to become their professional best and secure rapid and sustained progress for every pupil.

The brand new building and facilities are helping to promote the sense of new beginning for our school, lessons are calm and purposeful and visitors have remarked on the order and standards of behaviour in lessons. This is a new school in every way. We are proud of it and want you to share in our excitement for the future.

Lee Taylor

Head of School

Access school information from your phone

The Telford Park School is pleased to announce that we are re-launching our most direct method of staying in touch with school, our smart phone app.

The app contains term dates & calendar, news from the school and useful information, including our school policies. There is also a chance to provide feedback to the school. Like all smart phone apps, you will be able to contact school directly to notify absences from within the app using your phone's native functionality. The app is free on I-Phone and Android and can be viewed on Windows and Blackberries. We expect the Windows version to be available on the Windows app store before the end of autumn term,

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT THE TELFORD PARK SCHOOL (From the RS Department)

During the month of October, students and parents are being asked to donate packets and tins of food, we are collecting these for local food banks. This was a suggestion from Tija Meredith and Jamie Armishaw, both in Year Seven, who wanted to organise a collection for Harvest Festival time. Well done to both of you! Donations can be left at reception or given to your child to hand in to your child's tutor. If you would like more information please contact Mr Mottram, Head of Religious Studies (michael.mottram@taw.org.uk). A very sincere thank-you to everyone for supporting such a worthwhile idea from our Year Seven students.

Meet our Student Leadership Team

Synergy



Lee Bailey - Head Boy



Lauren Adleigh - Head Girl



Ami Giles

STEM Prefect



Aaron Thomas

Sports Captain



Danielle Rawlinson

Charities
Prefect



Bethany Stuart

Creative Arts
Prefect



Patrick Odame

Communications
Prefect

Invictus



Jack Williams - Head Boy



Emmanuela Duah-Head Girl



Lewis Surgenor

STEM Prefect



Sam Antwi

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Kirsten Hughes

Creative Arts
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Jessica Antwi

Communications
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Students design day with Canterbury

As part of the All Schools Rugby Initiative, Mulhim Eltaib, Patrick Dodson, Harvey Gratton and Frankie Mason met up with the design team from Canterbury to design our new rugby kit - from scratch. Also in attendance were The Telford Langley School, the Leader and Area Coordinator of the England School's Rugby Team and a representative from the kit sponsor CBRE.

Key to their design was an ethos they developed of "Two separate houses yet underneath we are one" and the use of the cogs from the school badge to represent cohesion. The students will reveal their final design to Invictus and Synergy in assemblies this term so we are not going to reveal too much now!

The team sat down with a Designer from Canterbury and composed a Computer Aided Design of their final kit and they all agreed that it was a true representation of our school.

Courtesy of the school, the four students will each receive their own shirt and nine members of staff have already ordered their own. The design will be ready to wear in time for Six Nations - watch this space!



English News

Year 7 English students are currently studying a unit of work called, 'Me, Myself and I'. Students will be reminiscing about their lives up to the present day and using this as inspiration for their own autobiographical writing. Students are reading Roald Dahl's *Boy* to gain a greater awareness of what a successful autobiography looks like. Look out for work inspired by *Boy* during open evening!

Year 8 English students are currently studying poetry from World War One to identify and evaluate the language and poetic features that have been used. Students have also been studying the history surrounding these poems and how the context influenced the poets. Look out for work inspired by war poetry during open evening!

Language News

The Languages department has had an exciting start to the new school year with the celebration of the European Day of Languages on 25th September. We celebrate the European Day of Languages each year to alert our students to the importance of language learning in order to increase their intercultural understanding and to promote the rich linguistic and cultural diversity of Europe. As part of our celebrations, students took part in language activities during form time throughout the week, culminating in a form group quiz. On the day, all subjects took part to include phrases in a different language in their lessons, there was food available from different countries in the canteen and teachers all wore stickers in different languages which students had then recognise as part of another quiz. Huge congratulations to Elise Meredith, year 9 and Norrie Randhawa, year 7, who won the teacher quiz. Massive congratulations also go to Synergy 7 and Invictus 5 who were the winning forms from the week.

Overall the students and teachers showed fantastic support for the event. Here's to the next day celebrating different languages and cultures- watch this space!



Science News

The science department would like to set up a YouTube channel consisting of short revision clips for pupils to use. If you would like to star in a clip, or if you have an interest in media and could help to record and edit the videos, please see Mrs Dury.

KS3 Science Club

Our Science club is a great place to get together and enjoy science - just for fun. Our Science Club is every Tuesday 2.35 - 3.35.

So far we have raced balloon rockets and bounced our homemade balls.

Coming up - building vortex cannons - who can make the biggest smoke ring? (all without the dangerous fumes)

Build your own eco-column. A whole ecosystem in a bottle!!
Firework Fun

Keep your eye open for the posters in the science department.

There's so much more to come - with projects and competitions. Be a part of something innovative and fun.

P.E NEWS

Students have made a fantastic start to their sporting journey at The Telford Park School. There has been an unbelievable turnout to clubs after school and the effort of students in lessons has been exemplary. Keep it up!

England Rugby Football Union - All Schools

We are now officially a "Rugby School". We are receiving substantial funding from the RFU to help build the participation in rugby across the country. The funding goes towards equipment, coaching and staff development. So far we have received some great new rugby kit to help deliver outstanding lessons, our own RFU qualified rugby coach who is currently coaching the year 10 boys in lesson times and runs the after school rugby club on Tuesdays.

Our aim to get every single student in the school playing rugby at various levels; within lessons, at after school clubs, inter school matches and pushing those showing the desire towards local club rugby.

Twitter

The department has a Twitter account where all PE & Sport related news is give. We will give results, fixtures and photos of sporting life at Telford Park School.

Follow us on: @TelfordPrkSchPE

Manchester United Trip

4 lucky members of staff accompanied a fantastic group of students to watch Manchester United play Ipswich Town in the Capital One Cup on September 23rd. The game ended 3-0 to Man Utd. A great time was had by all! Keep your eyes peeled for the next trip!

Extra curricular information (fixture lists etc.)

Fixtures:

Upcoming / Latest:

Rugby:

5th October - Year 10/11 tournament at Telford Hornets RFU

7th October - Year 7 tournament at Burton Borough School

21st October - Year 8 tournament at Marches School

Football:

8th October - Year 7 V Telford Langley School - Home

13th October - Year 7 V HLC - Away

15th October - Year 9 V Bishops Castle - Away

20th October - Year 8 V Ercall Wood

22nd October - Year 9 V Charlton School - Away

Cross Country

14th October - ALL YEARS at Idsall School

Coming soon...

Inter-House events. Keep an eye out for inter-house sports competitions.

Boys Rugby Club

