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TIBBERTON
CP School & Early Years

The Tibberton News

A note from the Headteacher:

I can't believe we have already come to the end of Summer Term 1 and only have one half-term left of this academic year. The year really is flying by!

I am so pleased that the weather has finally changed and that the children in both school and nursery are now able to make full use of our wonderful outdoor spaces to enhance their learning experiences. It has been lovely to see the children learning, exploring and enjoying time outdoors in the sunshine.

I would like to say a huge well done to Mrs Bowman, who has now completed her ELSA training this term and has transformed our Garden Room into a welcoming, calm and nurturing space for children to spend time in. Having both Mrs Philcox and Mrs Bowman as ELSA Leads has now doubled our capacity to support children across the school. ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) provision is designed to support children with their emotional wellbeing. ELSA sessions help children to develop skills such as managing emotions, building confidence, developing friendships, improving social skills and coping with worries or anxieties. We are incredibly proud to be able to offer this additional support for our children.

I would also like to say how proud I am of our Year 6 children and staff this term for their organisation, effort and positivity during the SATs assessments. The children spoke positively about the content of the assessments and staff were incredibly impressed by the resilience and determination shown throughout SATs week. We are extremely proud of you all. It has also been wonderful to see the children proudly wearing their new Year 6 hoodies. I have noticed that as soon as the hoodies arrived, the sunshine appeared too! Hopefully, the children won't need to wear them too much if the temperatures continue to rise!

I would like to congratulate Mrs Blane. To say she is passionate about History is an understatement; she has worked incredibly hard to further develop our History curriculum, ensuring children learn about and appreciate our rich local history and heritage. Through the evidence she has collated, our school and nursery have today received the Local Heritage Award from Michael Gorley, the Local History Education Manager. This is a fantastic achievement and reflects the hard work and dedication that has gone into enriching our curriculum.

This week, we have also said goodbye to Fiona Gordon, who has worked within our nursery for the last 16 years. Fiona has been fundamental to the running of our nursery and will be sadly missed by both the children and staff. We would like to thank her for everything she has contributed over the years and wish her all the very best for this exciting new chapter. We know she will be back to visit and say hello.

Finally, I am very pleased that the Local Advisory Board and Mr. Dean have appointed a new Headteacher who will be starting in September. I will be working closely with Mrs Crompton over the coming weeks to ensure there is a smooth transition. She brings a wealth of expertise and knowledge to the role and I wish her every success in her new position.

The sun is shining and the weather is looking lovely for next week. I hope you all have a fun-packed and relaxing half-term break and I look forward to welcoming everyone back for our final term of the year.

Sarah Wilson
Headteacher

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Important Upcoming dates for your diary:

*Monday 1st—Friday 5th June—
Aspirations Week*

*Tuesday 2nd June—Year 3 Eastnor
Castle trip and Rising 5's 1-2pm*

Thursday 4th June—PQ Tag Rugby

*Tuesday 9th June—Eagles class
locality walk and Rising 5's 1.15-3pm*

*Friday 12th June—PTFA Break the
Rules day*

*Tuesday 16th June—Barn Owls trip
to Dunraven Bay, Year 5/6 PQ
Rounders and Rising 5's 1.15-3pm*

*Monday 22nd June—Year 6
Watersports Day at Croft Farm and
Rising 5's 1.15-3pm*

Tuesday 23rd June—Sports Day 1pm

*Wednesday 24th June—New Parents
Information evening 6pm*

*Friday 26th June—Barn Owls Clarinet
concert 9.20am and PTFA Summer
Fete*

Tuesday 30th June—Kapla Workshop

LINKS

- [Term dates 2025-2026](#)
- [Dates for your Diary](#)
- [Uniform provider Gooch Sports](#)
- [Applying for Free School Meals](#)
- [Government Funding](#)



Tibberton Community Primary School & Early Years, Orchard Rise, Tibberton, Gloucester GL19 3AQ

Highlights of the Month



Art Workshop

On Tuesday 19th May, 8 children from KS2 were invited to take part in an art workshop. They all worked collaboratively to produce a piece of art work, all made from recycled materials, based on our school vision, LEAF (Learn, Explore, Aspire, Flourish). Thank you to Hope Brook Primary for hosting this for us.



Tesco Free Fruit for Schools

A big thank you also goes to Theresa Fisher (Oscar and Nellie's nan) for bringing in the very kind donations from Tesco for our Nursery and KS1 children. The fruit and vegetables have been used in a variety of ways to enhance the curriculum, including cooking, artwork and tasting activities. The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring and sampling a wide variety of healthy treats.



Sporting Champions



This week, 8 of our KS2 children took part in a Forest of Dean Soccer 7's event at Newent Community School. With 4 out of 5 matches won, they came in 2nd place. Well done!

Earlier in the month, six children represented Tibberton at the School Games Archery session held at Viney Hill on Tuesday. Team Tibberton secured an impressive 2nd place

with a total score of 71. Congratulations to Gracie, who came in as the joint 3rd highest individual scorer, and to Harry and Theo, who both received a bonus balloon medal.



What's coming up?

Rising 5's sessions and New Parents Information Evening

We look forward to welcoming our new reception children who will be joining us for their first Rising 5's session on Tuesday 2nd June at 1pm.



Our new parent information evening is taking place at 6pm on Wednesday 24th June.

Barn Owls Dunraven Bay trip—Tuesday 16th June

As part of their science and geography learning, Barn Owls children are heading to Dunraven Bay on the Glamorgan Heritage Coast to explore the coastal environment and living things in their habitat.

Please ensure consent and payment have been received by Friday 5th June for this trip.

Year 3 PQ Eastnor Castle trip—Tuesday 2nd June

Our Year 3 children will be joining children in Year 3 from other Primary QuEST schools at Eastnor Castle on 2nd June.

The coach will be leaving Tibberton promptly at 8.45am so please arrive at 8.30am with your packed lunch, drinks bottle, waterproof coat/sun hat/sun cream.

Children will be back at Tibberton by the end of the school day for normal pick up.

Year 6 Croft farm Watersports Day—Monday 22nd June

Our Year 6 children will be attending a water sports activity day at Croft Farm on 22nd June, where they will take part in kayaking, paddle boarding and raft building challenge.

Please ensure consent and payment have been received by Friday 5th June for this trip.

Sports Day—Tuesday 23rd June

Sports Day is due to be held on the afternoon of Tuesday 23rd June—fingers crossed for some more of this sunshine!



All children should arrive to school in PE kit on this day with their sun hats, sun cream applied and water bottles.

We will open the gate for parents and families to arrive from 1pm and will aim to start at 1.15pm.

Barn Owls Clarinet concert—Friday 26th June

Our Barn Owls class children are coming towards the end of their whole class clarinet tuition and would like to invite their parents/carers to a special concert to showcase the progression they've made.

Please join us in the school hall from 9.15am on Friday 26th June



Don't forget to download the Arbor parent app ready for the start of next term (QR codes for both android and Apple can be found below).

From 1st June, we will be sending communications to you via the Arbor App. You will also be able to view your child's attendance, update your contact details, submit absence/medical appointment requests and communicate directly with us through the app.

Eventually this will also take the place of ParentPay for booking meals and paying for trips, and will also be where you book parent evening appointments.

More information for parents and guardians on this new system can be found using the links below:

[A quick introduction to Arbor for guardians and parents – Arbor Help Centre](#)

[Logging In to the Parent Portal & Parent App – Arbor Help Centre](#)



We're using the Arbor Parent App!

See and manage your child's day-to-day school information. Understand their progress, make payments and bookings, and receive in-app messages - all from one app



Log in in seconds with Face ID

Receive in-app messages and reminders on your phone

Make payments, sign up for clubs, and book parents evenings

Check your child's calendar, it's always up-to-date

Scan the QR code to download the Arbor Parent App, and use your email address to log in





Things to do and see and useful information



FREE FAMILY QUEST

COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR A FREE FAMILY PIRATE QUEST AROUND NEWENT LAKE, PRIZE AND LUNCH* FOR CHILDREN COMPLETING THE QUEST

COLLECT YOUR ANSWER SHEET FROM: THE ARK CAFE, NEWENT, GL18 1AN ON TUESDAY 26 MAY BETWEEN 12PM - 2PM





CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES.

*PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE LIMITED LUNCHES AVAILABLE ON THE DAY




BILLYS VINTAGE WEEKEND

raising money for local charities

Public gates open
SATURDAY 11AM-5PM
SUNDAY 10AM-4PM

- TRACTOR PULLING • BAR
- VINTAGE VEHICLES • TOMBOLA • CRAFT STALLS
- LIVE MUSIC SATURDAY NIGHT FROM 8:30PM •

MANOR FARM, CLIFFORD'S MESNE, NEWENT GL18 1JL

13TH & 14TH JUNE



PARENT AND CARER ALLIANCE PRESENTS

SEND SUMMER CELEBRATION

20TH AUG

DURSLEY RECREATION GROUND
10AM - 4PM

A fun-filled family event, creating connections, support, inclusion, and opportunities for every family.

Police vehicles and activities, displays, sports activities, sensory play, grant charities, stalls and stands, help and support available
A huge free event not to be missed

We are hosting a SEND Summer Celebration as part of the Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme this summer. Please note: If you are not booked on via the Family Hub website, lunch will not be available.

For more information, visit
WWW.PARENTANDCARERALLIANCE.ORG.UK





BILLYS VINTAGE WEEKEND

Doo's Dog Training & Maple Tree Dog Training's

DOGSHOW!



Handsome Lad Sponsor: Jon E Be Good Pretty Lady Sponsor: Tilly Tingle Best Neckerchief Sponsor: Maple Tree Dog Training	Talented Trick Sponsor: Cobblers @ No.7 Golden Oldies (8+) Sponsor: Doo's Dog Training Snack Catching Superstar Sponsor: GB Equestrian (Equine Laundry & Repair)	Proud Puppy (Up to 15months) Sponsor: All Well Beings - For The Anxious Dogs The 'Perfectly Imperfect' Sponsor: McNally Maintenance Dog With No Rosette Sponsor: RLH (Welding & Fabrication)
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Reserve BIS Sponsor: Felix Williams Copy BIS Sponsor: Echo and Paws

What3Words: fingertip.trucks.novel
Address: Manor Farm, Clifford's Mesne, Newent, GL181UL
13th & 14th June

Registration from 12pm | Show starts at 1pm
£2 per class — all proceeds go to Cotswolds Dogs & Cats Home

