Tardebigge CE VA First School

‘A rainbow of opportunities’

Respect Perseverance Justice Compassion Wisdom Joy Humility

14th July 2026

Children have been learning in Collective Worship about :

Kingdom of God

Summer Term - a chance to shine!

As we reach the end of another truly memorable year at Tardebigge, it is hard to believe just how much we have packed into the Summer Term! We began the term with two significant moments in the life of our school: our Ofsted and SIAMS inspections. On both occasions, our children, staff, governors and wider community absolutely shone. The SIAMS report, released last week, captured so beautifully what makes Tardebigge special, describing our school as “...a united community of togetherness where pupils thrive” and “...a nurturing school where individuals are cherished”. We are incredibly proud of the report and our Ofsted report will be released publicly in September once the publication process has come to a conclusion.

May brought our first-ever Arts Week, which was a tremendous success and showcased the creativity, confidence and talents of our children. We were also delighted to welcome so many grandparents and family members to our now firmly established Grandparents’ Afternoon Tea. It was wonderful to see generations coming together and enjoying such a special community occasion.

There has been much to celebrate academically too. Our Year 1 children achieved excellent outcomes in the Phonics Screening Check, while our Year 4 pupils impressed us with their determination and success in the Multiplication Tables Check. Both were our highest results ever. We are immensely proud of them all.

Last week’s Activity Week has provided a fantastic finale to the year, despite the soaring temperatures! The children have shown great enthusiasm throughout. I am also reliably informed that my tumble in the final race of Sports Day provided plenty of entertainment and demonstrated that resilience is important at every age!

Thank you for your continued support. We see it every day and are incredibly grateful for the partnership we share with our families. We are excited about everything that lies ahead in 2026–27 and the ‘Rainbow of Opportunities’ it will bring.

I hope to see our Year 4 families at Friday’s Leavers’ Presentation. Until then, I wish all our children and families every happiness, success and good fortune for the future. The photographs included in this newsletter should give you a snapshot of our children, staff and parents growing and shining. Have a wonderful summer break! Mr Hartshorn

Dates for your diary:

1st Sept - INSET Day: children not in school

2nd Sept: INSET Day: children not in school

3rd Sept: Children return to school (new Reception are split across two days)

14th Sept: Photograph Day

16th Sept: Flu jabs for all children

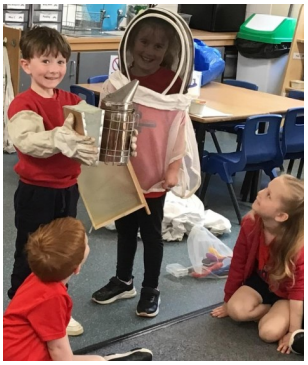
Sat 19th Sept: Working Party

25th Sept-2nd Oct: Book Fair

23rd Oct: INSET Day: children not in school

18th Dec: Term ends: final day in school

Reception class learned all about bees and beekeeping thanks to our volunteer Jess Bowen sharing her expertise!



Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Lickey** and **Malvern** for being our joint winners of the House Points Trophy this year. Children accrue house points for a range of different things such as showing extra effort, producing work above their usual standard, or displaying our school Christian values. A special lunch will be provided for these this week.

Congratulations to **Lickey** for winning the Sports Day event. It was fabulous to see such good sportsmanship and perseverance throughout. And I don't think anyone will forget the end of the whole-school relay!

Congratulations to our **Year 1** class for being this year's overall Rays of Lunchtime winners: the children who have shown our Rays of Sunshine during lunchtime on the most occasions. Special lunch for these is due this week!

Attendance for 2025-26 **Government Target: 95% and Tardebigge 2024/25: 96%**

96% or higher = GREEN 94-95.9% = AMBER Less than 94% = RED

Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Whole School
96.8%	96.1%	96.3%	95.7%	96.1%	96.2%



In D&T, Year 3 learned how to prepare, cut and peel fruit and vegetables...so they can now help cook at home!



Children in Y3 showed respect, and developed their sense of humility and justice whilst learning about the importance of Food Banks on their trip to the Birmingham City Church.





Congratulations to Y4 teacher Miss Wicketts who became Mrs Pashley at the end of May!

Y2 children gained wisdom and respect as they looked after their home-grown plants - well done; I hope they are continuing to flourish!

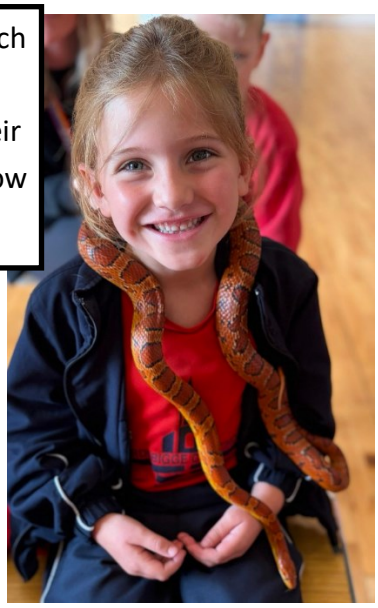






All children in the school got a chance to create willow sculptures as part of our Art Week: thank you to parent Jess Bowen for providing this wonderful opportunity!

Y1 children learned so much about snakes, spiders and other creatures during their Animal Man visit - look how brave they were!





Reception class learned all about dinosaurs on their recent visit to All Things Wild - onsite staff commented on how amazing their behaviour and attitude was. #proudhead









Sports Activity Week gave children lots of opportunities to learn new skills and have fun!



Fathers' Day was marked with a chance for families to work, learn and play together.





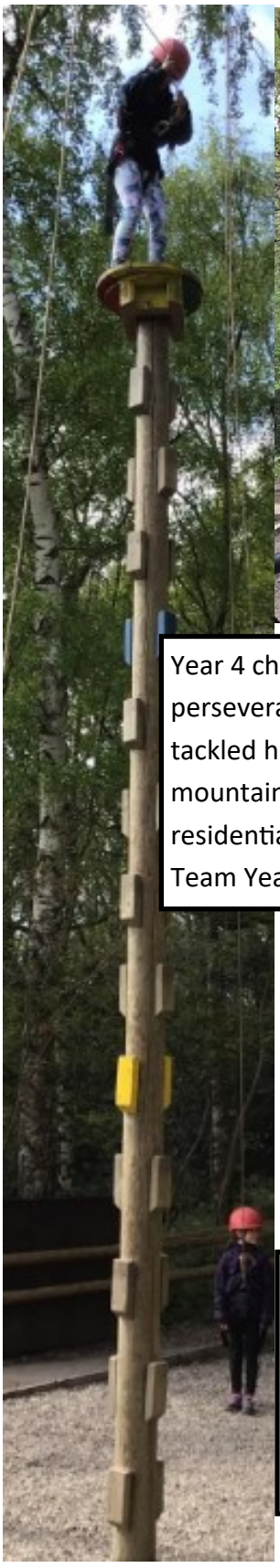
Y2, Y3 and Y4 children have recently had STEM challenges whereby they have had to use their science, design, technology and maths knowledge to create models and test them.





No Sports Day would be the same without the classic events such as the obstacle race, sack race and the egg & spoon race! Lovely to see so much perseverance, compassion and joy on show!













Year 4 children showed courage, perseverance and compassion as they tackled high-ropes, tunnels, and mountain walks during their recent residential at Malvern - well done to Team Year 4!

It was fabulous to see our whole school community out in our local area for the Tardebigge Trek; we hope all children and adults gained a sense of wisdom, perseverance , respect and of course...joy!





Grandparents' Afternoon Tea sessions has become an integral part of our calendar as it brings together the oldest and youngest of our community in sharing some scones and drinks together. Thank you for all your support!





Year 4 showed exemplary behaviour and respect during their recent trip to the Shri Venkateswara Temple to help support their RE Hinduism topic.



Tardebigge Produce Show
Saturday 5th September 2026
St Bartholomew's Church
Tardebigge
B60 3AH



We would love to encourage you to enter some exhibits in our show. It's great fun; come and have a go! You can enter your home-produced flowers, vegetables and fruit in a range of classes. There are also sections for home-made drinks, cookery and crafts, and a separate section for the children to enter.





Help and advice is available on the day from our friendly stewards.



Schedules and entry forms can be obtained from the back of the church and by emailing tardprodshow@gmail.com



Enter as many classes as you can. Savour the sweet smell of success.

The Produce Show is part of Tardefest 2026

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FUNZONE

FOR AGES 4 – 12 YEARS OR END OF YEAR 8

OPEN 7:30 AM UNTIL 6:00 PM!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – CONSENT FORMS WILL FOLLOW

TAX FREE CHILDCARE/CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

HOLIDAY CLUB SUMMER 2026

20TH JULY – 2ND SEPTEMBER

- @ HOLYOAKES 20TH JULY – 21ST AUGUST B97 6HF
- TARDEBIGGE 24TH AUG – 2ND SEPTEMBER B60 3AQ



PLEASE REMEMBER TO NAME ALL ITEMS!

PACKED LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE,
SUNCREAM, HAT, RAINCOAT &
SPARE OLD CLOTHING – WE LIKE TO GET MESSY!



MON 20TH – FRI 24TH JULY @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

TUESDAY 21ST – MORTON STANLEY PARK + £4 INCLUDES AN ICE CREAM – ALL CHILDREN TRAVELLING ON THE FUNZONE MINIBUS



27TH – FRI 31ST JULY @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY – TRIP TO WESTON SUPER MARE
+ £25 INCLUDES AN ICE CREAM – FULL DAY FOR ALL CHILDREN
TRAVELLING WITH ROYAL MOTORWAYS COACHES



MON 3RD TO FRI 7TH AUGUST @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

MONDAY 3RD & TUESDAY 4TH – SILENT DISCO – NO FEE



MON 10TH TO FRI 14TH AUGUST @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

THURSDAY 13TH – THINK TANK +£20 – FULL DAY FOR ALL CHILDREN.



MON 17TH TO FRI 21ST AUGUST @ HOLYOAKES 1ST SCHOOL

MONDAY 17TH TRIP TO PECKWOOD + £6 STUDIO & ZONE (CURRENT YEAR 3 & ABOVE)
FOREST DAY + £2 (YOUNGEST TO YEAR 2) – ONSITE.



MON 24TH TO FRI 28TH AUG @ TARDEBIGGE COMMUNITY HALL



TUE 1ST & WED 2ND SEPTEMBER @ TARDEBIGGE COMMUNITY HALL

FECKENHAM RETURN TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY.
TARDEBIGGE, WALKWOOD, VAYNOR & HOLYOAKES RETURN TO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY

Book your child by going to http://funzoneltd.uk or scan the code!

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Bikeability Training

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Adults and children aged 5+ welcome







Saturdays throughout the year

Venues in Evesham and Worcester

Bikes, trikes and helmets available

> "Steve was the most amazing teacher, my daughter took to him straight away and by the end of the session she was riding. He was kind, calm, encouraging and wouldn't give up!"

For more details visit: **www.worcestershire.gov.uk/bikeability**
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Café Church



Worship

Prayer

Every Sunday 9am

starting with breakfast

Crafty Activities

Songs

Bible Stories

St Bartholomew's Tardebigge



Tardebigge Community Hall

Modern, superbly equipped event space with large hall, committee room, kitchen, free WiFi and ample parking

Available for hire, perfect for wedding receptions, parties and meetings

For more information, please see our website or leave a message on **07763 446902** or email tchbookings@gmail.com