



# TEMPLEFIELD NEWS

*'Inspiring all pupils to love learning, believe in themselves and achieve their best'*

**September 2026**

## Reception Owl Experience

As part of their Talk for Writing story 'Owl Babies', our Reception classes had an exciting visit from the English School of Falconry.

During the session, the children learned some interesting facts about owls and watched them fly across hall. The real highlight, though, was getting to hold them. A big thank you to the PTA for funding this wonderful experience.



## Pre-School trip to Tesco

This week, our pre-school children went to Tesco to buy ingredients to make gingerbread men. They used their shopping list to remind them what ingredients they needed and searched the aisles to find the various items before taking them to the till.

The children helped to put the items on the conveyor belt and pack the shopping into their bags. The following day, they made their gingerbread men which they loved. Thank you to the staff at Tesco for making them so welcome.



## Our safeguarding team

Our safeguarding team consists of:

DSL - Mrs Debbie Trivett  
Deputy DSL - Miss Carol Smithers  
Deputy DSL - Mrs Liz Fitch  
Deputy DSL - Mrs Ann Coward  
Safeguarding Governor - Mrs Sue Simmons

If you are concerned about a child, please do not hesitate to contact the safeguarding team.

You can also contact Central Bedfordshire Council's Integrated Front Door on 0300 300 8585 (out of hours 0300 300 8123). If a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999.

A copy of our Child Protection Policy and other related safeguarding policies, is available on the [safeguarding page](#) on the school website.



We are working hard to improve school attendance and reduce lateness. Last year, our overall attendance was 95.9% and the government expectation is 97%.

Regular attendance is important for children to achieve their best. If children are absent from school, it not only affects their learning but they miss out on the social side too. So what can you do to help?

### Holidays during term time

Please take family holidays during the school holiday periods. Schools are not allowed to approve holidays during term time unless there are 'exceptional circumstances'. If you go on holiday without approval, it is likely that you will be faced with a fixed penalty notice.

### Absence through illness

We understand that children get ill but if your child has a mild illness, such as a cough or cold, they will often be well enough to attend school. If they have been ill with sickness or diarrhoea, please keep them off school for 48 hours.

To help parents decide whether or not their child is too ill to attend school, the NHS has produced a guide that you may find useful.

[Is my child too ill for school?](#)



## Diary Dates

### Friday 2nd October

8.45am Reception Stay and Read



### Monday 5th October

8.30am School Photographs (Tempest)

### Tuesday 6th October

10.00am Harvest Festival Assembly  
3.00pm Year 4 Grafham Water meeting

### Wednesday 7th October

8.15pm PTA meeting (virtual)

### Thursday 8th October

Reception Autumn Walk to Flitwick Woods

### Friday 9th October

Hello Yellow Non-Uniform Day  
3.00pm KS1 Stay and Read

### Monday 12th October

10.00am Open the Book Assembly

### Tuesday 13th October

4.00pm - 6.30pm Parents Evening and PTA Book Sale

### Wednesday 14th October

Reception African Drumming workshop  
Year 1 Local Area Walk

### Thursday 15th October

Year 2 NSPCC workshops  
4.00pm - 6.30pm Parents Evening and PTA Book Sale

### Friday 16th October

9.00am Inclusion Coffee Morning  
3.00pm KS2 Stay and Read

### Tuesday 20th October

Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip

### Thursday 22nd October

5.00pm PTA Halloween Pumpkin Trail

### Friday 23rd October

8.45am Reception Stay and Read

### Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

Half Term

## School Admissions 2027

Is your child due to start school in September 2027? We will be holding Open Evenings on the following dates.

Thursday 5th November, 5.00 - 6.30pm  
Thursday 3rd December, 5.00 - 6.30pm  
Thursday 7th January, 5.00 - 6.30pm

Come along and meet our staff, take a tour of the school and see our children's learning. To book a place, please click [here](#).

If you can't make any of these dates, please contact the school office on 01525 713625 or email [office@templefield-lower.co.uk](mailto:office@templefield-lower.co.uk) to arrange a time that suits you.