Towers Times

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Dear families,

Welcome back!

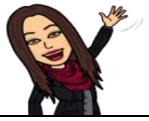
We hope you had a restful Easter break, with opportunity to catch up on family time and visit family and friends. The children have returned ready for the new challenges the term has to offer, we just need the sun to shine and the warmer weather to arrive! Our teachers and support staff have been busy preparing new topics and enrichment opportunities. Please continue to look out on Twitter, for updates on what the children are getting up to!

Eid - al- Fitr

We wish all our Towers children, staff and families celebrating the end of Ramadan, a fantastic day today; Eid Mubarak! We hope you have a wonderful time.

Kingfishers – Fundraising

In other news, Kingfisher class completed their BIG Cycle event for Great Ormond Street on Friday 14th April at Hylands Park. We would like to say a huge well done to all the children who took part, including the parents and carers who helped make this event so successful. This is a great example of our BUILD values in action in the community. The children should be very proud of themselves - Well done Kingfishers!



A Message from Miss Forster Early Years and Year 1 Leader.	A Message from Mrs Lloyd Year 2, 3 and 4 Leader.	A Message from Miss Gad Year 5 and 6 Leader.
It has been another fantastic week in the lower end of our school. In Nursery this week the children have started Phase 2 phonics which is the introduction of a letter sound. The children have been doing a fantastic job in recalling the sound they have learnt. We have also welcomed the fabulous Ms Dee to our EYFS Team! In Reception we started off our week dressed up in our pirate costumes and attended a Peter Pan workshop. The children had the opportunity to develop their acting skills and understanding that sometimes we can "pretend" to be somebody else through the use of costume, voice and actions - I actually thought we had been taken over by pirates! In Year 1 this week we have started our new core text "The Enormous Turnip" and have planted some fruit and vegetables that we hope if we provide with everything they need they can grow successfully. If you have any seeds or bulbs you can donate to Year 1 we would really appreciate it!	It has been a great first week back in the middle school. Year 2 have started reading the Twits by Roald Dahl and have been busy writing character descriptions. They have been using amazing vocabulary, including expanded noun phrases and similes. The children have been getting into character and embracing the role of Mr and Mrs Twit! I look forward to reading their finished work. What a busy week for year 3! They were beaming from their trip to Hyde Hall on Thursday. The new topic of plants has been popular, with the children being able to plant their own sunflower seeds. The children are very excited to see how tall their flowers will grow. Dragons have been the topic of conversation in year 4 as they start their new core text, 'How To Train Your Dragon'. The children have watched the film this week in readiness for their creative writing. Year 4 also had the sun shining on them on Thursday, allowing them to have their PE session on the school field.	It has been a wonderful week of learning in Years 5 and 6 this week and I am so impressed with how the children have returned after the Easter Holidays ready and eager to learn! In Year 5, the children have used their prior historical knowledge and understanding to correctly place events, in chronological order, on a timeline. This has helped them to discuss and recap key concepts and periods of time. Class discussions have been wonderful and I can't wait to be surprised by the knowledge the children have retained next week! Well done Year 5. In Year 6, we have been working very hard this week, and this was clear in all our English lessons. We are busy preparing for our upcoming SATs assessments this term, but we are also learning about slavery and are focusing on the book: Journey to Jo'Burg. The children have shown such maturity and understanding during this topic and have produced some wonderful diary entries this week. Well done Year 6!

We wish you a lovely weekend!

Ms L J Blurton and Mrs C Hurley - **Head Teachers of Towers Infant and Junior schools**

Class	Attendance
Owl	97%
Puffin	98%
Robin	97%
Flamingo	93%
Starling	98%
Wagtail	99%
Goldfinch	88%
Kingfisher	94%
Toucan	98%
3D	88%
3P	96%
3H	91%
4P	92%
4T	97%
4C	97%
5M	95%
5C	97%
5RB	99%
6L	93%
6G	93%
6D	92%

Green 95% and above,
Amber 94.99% and 90%
Red for 90% and below.

School Shoes

If you have any school shoes that are in good used condition and no longer fit, please donate them to school.
Thank you!

Earrings

A reminder please to ensure that earrings are removed for school. Earrings are not to be worn in school at any time. Thank you.

Important Dates

Class Photos
Wednesday 26th April 2023

Bank Holidays
Monday 1st May and 8th May 2023

Dress Up – Red, Whte and Blue
Friday 5th May 2023