



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we had the pleasure of hosting our first weekday 'Mothering Sunday' service at Christ Church Tilstock, and it was a truly memorable event. The church was filled with children, parents, and families from our community, all coming together to celebrate Mother's Day. The service was a beautiful occasion, with each class contributing through heartfelt readings and performances. These contributions allowed us to pause and reflect on the origins of Mothering Sunday and its deep connection to our school values. One of the highlights of the service was seeing each child receive a special bookmark from the Church. This small token served as a lovely reminder of the day's significance and the love and appreciation we have for all the mothers and mother figures in our lives. We are grateful to everyone who attended and made this event so special. Your presence and participation helped create a warm and welcoming atmosphere, making this first weekday service such a success.

Today, Tilstock CE Primary School was a sea of purple as we celebrated Purple Day to raise awareness about epilepsy. It was a heartwarming and inspiring day, filled with stories of courage and resilience. We were honoured to have some of our own very brave children with epilepsy share their personal journeys and experiences. Their stories not only educated us about epilepsy but also highlighted the strength and determination they show every day. These young heroes truly embody the spirit of our school values: nurture, respect, aspire, achieve, hope and joy. To show our support, children and adults across the school wore purple. The vibrant colour filled our classrooms and hallways, spreading smiles and a sense of unity throughout the school. It was a beautiful sight to see everyone coming together for such an important cause. Thank you to all the parents for encouraging your children to participate and for your continued support. Together, we are making a difference and fostering a community of understanding and compassion. More photos from Mrs Yale to follow on Class Dojo.

Mrs Rowena Kaminski  
Headteacher



Have a wonderful weekend – and don't forget to turn your clocks forward on Sunday!

### Purple Day Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March



### Mother's Day Service – Christ Church Tilstock, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March



**This weekend the clocks go forward.** Clocks will go forward by an hour this Sunday 30 March at 01:00 GM. This marks the end of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) and the start of British Summer Time (BST) or Daylight Saving Time (DST). If you struggle to remember which way the clocks change, then this saying might help 'Spring forward, fall back'. **Why did Daylight Saving Time start?** Benjamin Franklin, the founding father and inventor, first proposed daylight saving in 1784. It was seen as a cunning way to save on candles. Daylight Saving Time (DST) - the process of moving clocks forward by one hour in the summer - was started in Germany in 1916. During World War One it was a way to save energy resources such as coal, using fewer electric lights and less heating during the lighter evenings and being more productive. The UK adopted the idea, where it was named British Summer Time (BST).



### Uniform reminder

Wearing a uniform fosters a sense of belonging among children. Our school badge and colours symbolise our shared purpose and pride in being part of this wonderful learning environment. Recently, staff have noticed children wearing branded hoodies, tracksuits and t-shirts with sports logos on.

**For PE, our uniform consists of:- A white t-shirt, Black PE shorts or jogging bottoms, and socks**

Please ensure your child is wearing a plain (or school logo) white t-shirt for PE. If they are cold they should wear their school jumper or cardigan, not branded hoodies, tops or sweatshirts. White t-shirts and black shorts/ joggers can be purchased relatively cheaply from supermarkets, however if you need any support with this, please let us know.

### Audio stories

Online audio stories for children: for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 primary school pupils, aged 4 - 11.

Stories cover a broad range of primary topics. Stories are grouped by theme and Key Stage and are typically about 5 minutes long.

Ideal for fostering speaking and listening skills and stimulating children's imaginations.

New stories added [here](#) week by week.



### Easter Bonnets and Easter Gardens!



As we approach the end of term, we are excited to announce a special event to celebrate Easter, a very important time for Christians.

On the last day of term, we invite all children to participate in our Easter Bonnet and Easter Garden creation activity. We encourage children to showcase their creativity and understanding of the Easter story by creating either an Easter bonnet or an Easter garden.

This activity aligns with our values as a Church school, allowing children to express their artistic talents and reflect on the significance of Easter.

These wonderful creations will be shared during our Pride and Joy Sharing Worship on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**. Easter Gardens can be bought in the day before to be left in the hall for display.

We look forward to seeing the imaginative and thoughtful designs that the children come up with. To add to the excitement, a prize will be awarded to one child from each year group in both categories.

## WORSHIP



**This term, in worship, we are focusing on the Christian value of **Aspire****  
Our chosen worship songs this week are:- **He's got the whole world in his hand** and **Lord of the Dance**. This week in worship we learnt about **Mothering Sunday**– click [here](#) to listen together. Also as we prepare for Easter, [here](#) is the Easter Story to watch together. We will focus on this over the next two weeks during worship.



## The Christian Story of Easter



## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

### Events at a glance:

- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April:-** Badger Class Residential 3 days
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April:-** Easter Service in Church
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April:** Easter Bonnet and Easter garden competition
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April:-** Children break-up for Easter holidays
- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April:-** Children return to school
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May:-** Bank Holiday (*no children in school this day*)
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May:-** Year 6 SATs week
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May:-** Children break-up for half-term
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:-** Children return to school
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July:-** Children break up for Summer holidays



### Happy Birthday to:-

**Mrs Blakemore and Harry. W who celebrate their birthdays this week.**

**We hope you have a great day celebrating!**



## NEWS

[Click here](#) to view what our students have been up to recently.

