



Tilstock[†]

Part of the **Marches Academy Trust** 

Talking Heads

Friday 26th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has certainly been a warm one, and we have all been feeling the effects of the recent heatwave. I would like to extend a sincere thank you to all families for your ongoing support in ensuring children arrived at school prepared, with sun hats, water bottles and sun cream. Your support has helped us keep everyone safe and comfortable during the unusually high temperatures.

It has been an important week for our pupils in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Our Year 1 children completed their Phonics Screening Check and performed extremely well. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and the progress they have made in their reading this year. Similarly, our Year 4 pupils undertook the Multiplication Tables Check, and we are delighted to report very strong outcomes. Their dedication to practising their times tables has certainly paid off – well done to all involved.

Last week, Squirrel Class enjoyed a truly fantastic school trip to Park Hall Farm. The children had a wonderful opportunity to step back in time as they dressed as Victorian schoolchildren and experienced an authentic Victorian classroom. They fully embraced the experience, demonstrating curiosity through thoughtful and inquisitive questions, and gained a real insight into what school life was like in the past.

The day offered plenty of excitement beyond the classroom too. The children delighted in meeting a range of farm animals, enthusiastically cheering on the pig race, and enjoying a tractor ride around the grounds. It was a day filled with hands-on learning, laughter and memorable experiences. Squirrel Class represented Tilstock beautifully throughout the trip. Their excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and positive attitudes were a real credit to themselves and to the school. We are very proud of you all – well done!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Rowena Kaminski
Headteacher



Summer Fair



Park Hall Farm



Confirmation

We are delighted to offer children the opportunity to take part in a Confirmation Service with Bishop Sarah of Shrewsbury, which will take place on **Sunday 19th July at 4:00pm at St Alkmund's, Whitchurch.**

Confirmation is a special and meaningful step in a young person's faith journey, where they can choose to affirm the promises made at baptism and grow in their understanding of Christianity. This opportunity is open to our current Year 5 and Year 6 pupils.

If your child would like to take part, please discuss this together as a family and complete the form using the link below:

Further information and preparation sessions will be shared with families who express an interest.

Complete the form [here](#)

Next term, in worship, we are focusing on the Christian value of Joy.

At Tilstock, our value of Joy is about much more than simply feeling happy. It is about developing a deep sense of contentment, positivity and thankfulness in everyday life. We want our children to understand that joy can be found in learning new things, building friendships, helping others and appreciating the world around them.

Across the Summer term, we will be encouraging children to approach school life with a positive attitude, showing enthusiasm, resilience and pride in their achievements. Joy is about recognising and celebrating success - both their own and others' - and learning to be grateful for opportunities and experiences. We will also explore how joy can still be present even when things feel challenging, helping children to develop emotional strength and confidence.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.
Events at a glance:

Wednesday 8th July:- Non-uniform day for wine & water
Friday 10th July:- Summer Fair 3-5pm
Tuesday 21st July:- 2pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly in school hall
Wednesday 22nd July: 2pm Year 6 Bible presentations in Church
Thursday 23rd July: Children break up for Summer holidays

Reminder – pupils should not be wearing false nails or make-up to school – please ensure these are removed before school.

For further guidance on our uniform policy please see below

<https://tilstockprimaryschool.co.uk/information/uniform/>

Happy birthday to

James, Lyla, Hugo and Jude

Who celebrated their birthdays this week.

We wish you a very happy birthday!



NEWS



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