

Pupil Awards

This academic year, we will be celebrating three pupils each week who have been nominated by staff for demonstrating our school principles.

We are pleased to announce that this week's winners are:

Thoughtful: Miles Gauguier has been awarded for helping his peers and considering the feelings of others

Value – Charlie Knowles has been awarded for showing great learning behaviours across subjects

Safe – Bella Burn has been awarded for asking for breaks and following instructions very well

A huge congratulations to these 3 pupils from all the staff.

School Lunches

As a school, we have invested in the online school dinner module of MyChildAtSchool (MCAS). Thank you for cooperating with the staff and using the system to order and pay for the meals, I'm sure it's as beneficial to you at home as it is to us in school.

Please continue to use the app to place the weekly lunch orders by 5.00pm each Tuesday. The school office will send a reminder to all parents at lunchtime each Tuesday to support until the half term break.

You can place your orders for Term 1 in full which will see the booking completed until Christmas holidays, but you can amend weekly if required. If you do need to change any order, please do so before 5pm each Tuesday of the preceding week.

Thanks for your continued support.



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Reminder—School Photos 6th October 2023

Parents Evening—Booking

We have our first parents evening of the year on the 12th October 2023. All parents/carer's are invited to meet with teachers onsite in the main hall of Thames Valley School.

To support the planning and ensure as many appointments are able to be confirmed, there is a booking form to complete detailing which teachers (or subjects) you would like to meet with and a preferred time-slot to attend.

The form can be accessed by clicking the link [here](#)

Please can all responses be returned by 1.00pm Monday 9th October 2023 to allow time for the team to collate and allocate appointments. We will of course try to accommodate as many appointments as possible but ask for an early response to support the team here at TVS.

TVS Pumpkin Carving & Pizza Making Event

18th October 2023, 1.00pm—3.00pm



Come and join your child at TVS to carve a pumpkin or make a pizza.

If you wish to attend, please confirm your attendance by emailing office@thamesvalleyschool.org.uk

Updates from the Senior Leadership Team

It's been a very busy week across the senior leadership team with lots of collaborative planning taking place. The team have revised the teacher planning format to support the teachers, as well as finalise the Thames Valley School Development Plan 2023-24, detailing the aspirations and objectives for our pupils, staff and community.

This week also saw a parent event led by Mrs Buley, delivering a Curriculum Information Session. There were 2 sessions; one delivered in TVS and the second delivered virtually for all parents/carer's. We were thrilled with the engagement and hope those of you that joined in either session, gained a useful insight. For anyone that wasn't able to join, the PowerPoint slides are being shared alongside the Newsflash this week.

To continue on the theme of our relationship building with our local area, we welcomed professionals from 2 local schools for tours and discussions around supporting the young people of the local area collectively. We hope to continue to engage in this way and share expertise and knowledge for the good of the pupils both at TVS and other settings locally.

Mrs Buley and Mrs Saunders conducted an exciting health and safety audit of Thames Valley School with Mr Holder; our very experienced Facilities Manager. Ensuring our school is safe, welcoming and engaging is a priority and one that we feel is achieved to a very high standard so thank you Mr Holder for your continued diligent care of our school.

Lastly, our team have been busy planning our next key event for the school which is our Parents Evening. The booking form is located within this newsflash (Page 1) and I'm sure you are all as keen to meet the teachers as they are you, so please do complete and return the form as early as possible.

Key Dates for Parents & Carers (2023-24)

Month	Date	Time	Description
September	4 th & 5 th		Inset Day
	15 th		TVS 10 th Birthday Celebration
	19 th	5.30pm - 6.00pm	TVS Satellite Site - meeting with Dr Nicola Crossley, CEO
	22 nd	2pm - 3.00pm	Welcome Event - for new parents and carers
	22 nd		Jean for Genes Awareness Day
	28 th	2pm at TVS, 5pm virtual	Curriculum Information Session
October	6 th		School Photo's - H Tempest Ltd
	10 th		RE Day - Judaism
	12 th	3.30pm - 5.30pm	Parents Evening & Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
	18 th	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Pumpkin Carving & Pizza Making (with parents)
	19 th - 27 th		Half Term
	30 th		Inset Day



Liberty Safeguarding Team at Thames Valley School

Miss R Archer
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs G Buley
Interim Head of School

Everyone has the right to feel safe at ALL times.

Children's Social Care - For reporting concerns **READING** Single point of access - Tel: 0118 937 3041
Email: Childrensingpointofaccess@reading.gcsx.gov.uk

To report and incident to the LADO - Local Authority Designated Officer - Tel 0118 937 2685
Email: LADO@brighterfuturesforchildren.org

Wishing all our families a lovely weekend

Have a lovely weekend!