

The weekly newsletter for Tudor
Grange Primary Academy Yew Tree
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FUTURE KEY DATES

Academic Year 2023/2024

KS1 Phonics Check - w/c 10/6/24

KS2 Tests - 13/5/24 to 16/5/24

Academic Year 2024/25

KS1 Phonics Check - w/c 9/6/25

KS2 Tests - 12/5/25 to 11/5/25



STARS OF THE WEEK

Dragonflies: Amrit
Nursery: Jackson
Reception: Minnie
Year 1: Phoebe
Year 2: Bridie
Year 3: Jordan
Year 4: Elsa
Year 5: Hunter
Year 6: Ambla

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'We know what we are but know not
what we may be'

-William Shakespeare



CLASS OF THE WEEK

LADYBIRDS AND DRAGONFLIES

For their excellent
participation in Drama Tots



INSET DAYS 2023/2024

Friday 28th June 2024
Monday 22nd July 2024

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Rayaan, Quinn, Elleen,
Aahil, Amaya and Leo**



MATHLETICS CLASS RESULTS

1st: Maple

2nd: Poplar

3rd: Oak

Willow: 1060

Maple: 29435

Poplar: 2744

Elm: 1150

Sycamore: 200

Oak: 2530

MATHLETES OF THE WEEK

KS1: Jodhveer

KS2: Lilly

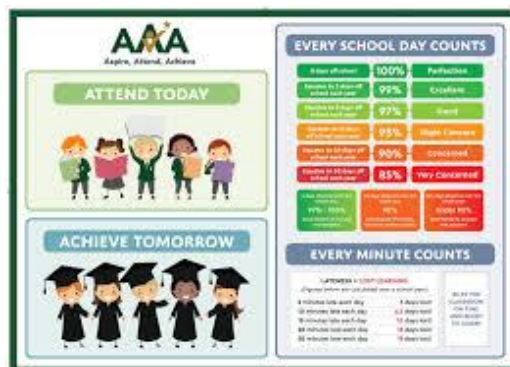
ROCKSTAR OF THE WEEK

Courtney

ATTENDANCE

It is only by working together
that we can achieve our target
of 96% attendance across
school.

Year Group	% Attendance
Week commencing: 15/04/2024	
Rowan (Rec)	92%
Willow (Yr. 1)	90%
Maple (Yr. 2)	94.5%
Poplar (Yr. 3)	97%
Elm (Yr. 4)	99%
Sycamore (Yr. 5)	87%
Oak (Yr. 6)	93%
Whole School	93%



HOUSE POINTS

Turing 123
Armstrong 138
Nightingale 135
Earhart 122

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YOU



WORD OF THE WEEK

This week's word is **adore**. Please ask your child what it means and ask them to verbalise a sentence that includes the word to deepen their understanding.

SPELLINGS OF THE WEEK

This week's words are:

KS1: should
YR 3 & 4: learn
YR 5 & 6: individual

Explore these words in more detail, understand the meaning and ask your child to use the word in a sentence.

SCHOOL OFFICE

The school office is open from 8.15am until 4.00pm daily. All telephone calls for the office outside of these times will be directed to the answer phone.

Can we take the opportunity to remind you that meetings with all school staff are by appointment only and need to be booked through the office. Thank you.

BLOG POSTS

To read more about the wonderful things we have been learning about so far this term, please visit our website and read our blog posts.

[News - Tudor Grange Primary Academy Yew Tree \(tgacademy.org.uk\)](https://www.yewtree.tgacademy.org.uk)

DIARY DATES FOR CURRENT ACADEMIC YEAR - 2024

11th-12th June -Cycle Ready Year 6 (level 3)
14th June -Father's Day Breakfast (Whole School)
14th June -Non uniform day
19th-21st June -Year 6 Manor Adventure Residential
27th June -Rags to Riches bag drop off day.
5th July -Non uniform day
7th July -Rocksteady Concert
11th July -Summer Fayre
17th July -Year 6 Performance including Year 5 choir at TGA Solihull
18th July -Year 6 Leavers Party
19th July -Year 6 Leavers Assembly and Year 6 Leavers Lunch

More details to follow nearer to each of the events.

DIARY DATES FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR- 2024

18th September -PTA AGM
27th September - Macmillan Coffee Afternoon & Pre-loved uniform sale
8th - 15th October - Scholastic Book Fair
15th October -Parent Consultations
17th October - Parent Consultations
24th October - Halloween disco
8th November - Non-uniform day
15th November - Children in Need fundraising event
22nd November - Non-uniform day
28th November - Christmas Fayre

29th November - Snow White Pantomime
12th December - Rocksteady Concert
17th December - Christmas shop
18th December - Christmas shop
Thursday 19th December -Santo's Grotto and Christmas Party
Friday 20th December - KS2 Christmas Singing Concert

2025

11th February -Parent Consultations
13th February -Parent Consultations
3rd April -Rocksteady Concert
17th July -Rocksteady Concert

More details to follow nearer to each of the events.

REPORTS

Please be reminded that reports became available on My Child At School (MCAS) on Monday. We recommend that you set notifications for the My Child At School app so that information is not missed. Thank you.

ADMISSIONS 2025/2026

Information about admissions arrangements for 2025/2026 are now available on the school website, please follow the link below:

<https://www.yewtree.tgacademy.org.uk/parents/prospective-parents/admissions-policy-appeals/>

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MASTERING NUMBER PARENT PROJECT (RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2)

We hope that you have enjoyed your first week of activities. Miss Allen has enjoyed seeing some of your comments on the homework diaries and is pleased that the children are enjoying playing the maths games at home. Please make sure that folders are in school on **Monday 29th April** so that school staff can put the next set of activities in them. Thank you for your continued support.

ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS WITH ROCKSTEADY!

Rocksteady is the UK's leading provider of rock and pop lessons for primary school children and we're proud that their fun, inclusive band lessons take place at our school. As well as teaching new musical skills through contemporary rock and pop songs, Rocksteady has a proven significant, positive impact on wellbeing, confidence and life skills. Recently they were awarded 'Schools Wellbeing Resource of the Year' at the Education Today awards, for their work inspiring children through music.

Lessons are open for children from Reception to Year 6 and they can choose to play either vocals, electric guitar, drums, bass, or keyboards in their very own band.

All instruments are provided, and no previous experience is necessary.

Children progress through a 300-skill curriculum learning band, performance and instrument skills and work towards the official Rocksteady Ofqual-regulated, exam-free music qualification, accredited by Trinity College London.

You can follow your child's progress through your own online via the Rocksteady Parent Timeline as well as seeing how far your child has come when they perform in their termly concert. You can sign your child up for lessons online at bit.ly/parent-info-web.

If you have any questions about Rocksteady band lessons, you can call 0330 113 0330 (local rate, office hours are Mon - Thurs 8am - 8pm, Fridays 8am - 6pm).

GOOD LUCK

Miss Kundi is delighted to share with the community that Akshath has been invited to attend the England Chess trials this weekend. We are sure you will join Miss Kundi in wishing him the best in the competition. Good luck Akshath!

BIRMINGHAM THINKTANK

Last week, Year 3 children visited the Birmingham Thinktank Science Museum to recap their learning about fossils and light! Lots of them had never visited the Thinktank before, so were very excited to explore all the different floors and exhibitions! Firstly, they looked around the Spitfire Gallery and the 'We Made It' exhibition. Some dressed up in a pilot's uniform! (Even Miss Rowlands!) Here's what some of the children thought of the trip:

Callie: "My favourite part of the day was visiting the Wildlife floor because I really like animals and they had lots of different ones to look at"

Millie: "I loved wearing the pilot uniform!"

Jordan: "The Light Show was funny. I liked the puppets because the mouse saved the day"

Well done to all of the children in Poplar Class for their super behaviour during the trip. It was a busy, fun-filled and interesting day! Miss Rowlands would like to say another BIG thank you to Mrs Parsons, Mrs Lan, Mrs Dovey, Mr Avent and Miss Carr who joined us on our trip. The full blog post and photos will be on the school website on Tuesday.