



# Heads Up...29/09/24

Your weekly Tenterfield newsletter  
from Mrs Beare!

## Message from Mrs Beare

A wet week last week in our garden!  
Can you please make sure your child has  
A NAMED PAIR OF WELLIES to be left at  
Tenterfield. It is really important as the  
weather changes.

Can we also ask that they have PLENTY  
OF SPARE CLOTHES in their bags as well,  
as children are outdoors whatever the  
weather!

Next week we will be continuing induction  
with the children, and singing our Harvest  
songs.

## Harvest Festival Tues 8th Oct

Harvest Festival at St Marys Church on  
Tues 8th Oct at 9.30am. The children  
(not pink group) will need to be taken to  
the church for 9.30am (unless they are  
booked into breakfast club) and we like  
parents to attend the short service  
with us.

You will need to take your child to  
Tenterfield after the service where  
they can stay for their normal nursery  
session.

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you so much to those who  
attended our coffee morning on  
Friday, and to those who bought  
cakes.

So far we have raised an  
incredible £278 for such a  
worthy cause!  
Thank you x

## Walk to the Church

We will be keeping an eye on the  
weather in the morning, as we  
may have to cancel our walk if it  
is raining.

Thank you to the families who  
have volunteered to walk with us  
to the church. We need as many  
adults as possible! We will let you  
know in the morning if we decide  
to postpone.

## Wipes and Tissue Donations

Next week under the canopy we will have a large box where you can donate tissues and wipes to the nursery please. As you can imagine we go through so many of these on a daily basis! The more you can donate means we have more money to spend on lovely resources and activities. We are very grateful for your support.

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## Parking

Please do not park across Beckett Garden driveways. We have had a complaint from a neighbour last week.

Also NO parents are to park in our staff carpark, unless this has been agreed by the school.

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## Nappy Sack

Please do not put nappy sacks in your child's bag as these are a choking hazard for young children. We have a supply of nappy sacks at nursery.

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## Tapestry

Are you accessing Tapestry? This is where we share pictures of your child! Please contact the school office if you are having trouble accessing the app.

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## PTFA

We have a fantastic Parent, Teacher & Friends Association. Last year we organised 3 events: Twilight Christmas, Bingo Night & Tenterfest!

We need your help and support this year to join our PTFA and help organise events which raise much needed funds for our amazing nursery!

We will be holding our first meeting on Tuesday 15th Oct at 9am. So please join us for a cuppa after drop-off.

# Have you ever considered becoming a school governor at Tenterfield?

The Tenterfield Governing Board have a vacancy for a Parent Governor (effective from September 2024), to join our team of friendly, enthusiastic, outward-looking and community minded parents and professionals.

School governors are volunteers who work together with the Headteacher to deliver the best education and experience for the pupils at their school or setting. Generally, school governors do not need to be specialists in education. In fact it is more desirable to bring together a wider range of skills, knowledge and backgrounds in order for a board to work effectively.

Ultimately, they work with the school to ensure that pupils receive the best opportunities to learn in an environment in which they feel happy and secure.

The full governing board meets every half term, both online & in-person. The meetings generally last around two hours.

Most of our current governors work full time and manage to fit in their role around their other commitments. This is a hugely exciting time to be a governor at Tenterfield. Our nursery school is currently rated "Outstanding" by Ofsted and demand for places remains high. However, Tenterfield is not standing still and continues to remain at the forefront of innovation in Early Years practice.

Governors are unpaid, doing what they do simply to try to make their school the best it can be. In return they obtain skills and training which they may not otherwise acquire and also gain a wider perspective on a key part of their community.

Most importantly, governors get the satisfaction of knowing they are helping to make a difference in the education of the children who attend their school.

If you would be interested in having an informal chat about the role, or to find out more about how you can contribute to governance at our nursery school, then please email me at [L.hill@tenterfield.herts.sch.uk](mailto:L.hill@tenterfield.herts.sch.uk) or speak to Vicky for more information.

Thank you,  
Lucy Hill (Chair of Governors)

# DSPL5 The Incredible Years Parent Programme (4-7 year olds)

The Incredible Years Programme is for parents and carers of children aged 4-7 years, whose children display distressing behaviour. This may include conduct disorders, oppositional defiance disorder or where ADHD might be suspected or diagnosed.

This evidence based programme is for 8 to 10 parents/carers and includes group discussions, group activities, use of video clips and 'have a go' tasks to try at home

## Incredible Years Parent/Carer Group



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### OVERVIEW:

The Incredible Years Programme is for parents and carers of children aged 4 to 7 years, whose children display challenging and/or distressing behaviour. This may include conduct disorders, oppositional defiance disorder or where ADHD might be suspected or diagnosed.

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### Dates:

#### Wednesdays:

18th September 2024  
25th September 2024  
2nd October 2024  
9th October 2024  
16th October 2024  
23rd October 2024  
6th November 2024  
13th November 2024  
20th November 2024  
27th November 2024  
4th December 2024  
11th December 2024

**Time:** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

**Venue:** Swallowdell Primary School  
Blackthorn Road, Welwyn Garden City  
AL7 3JP

**Cost:** Free (funded by DSPL5)

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## Autumn Term Dates

Tues 8th October	Harvest Festival @ Church. Children need to be taken to church for 9.30am
Mon 14th October - Fri 18th October	Catch Up Calls Week Details will be emailed
Wed 16th October	World Food Day Please bring a dish to represent a nationality
Thu 17th October	World Values Day
Mon 28th October - Fri 1st November	HALF TERM
Mon 4th November - Fri 8th November	Fireworks Week
Tue 12th November	Odd Socks Day Come to nursery wearing your odd socks!!
Thu 14th November	World Diabetes Day
Fri 15th November	BBC Children in Need
Mon 25th November	Occasional Day Nursery Closed
Thu 5th December	International Volunteers Day Do you have a skill or occupation you could come and share with us?
Mon 9th December - Fri 13th December	Catch Up Calls Week Details will be emailed
Fri 20th December	Last Day of Term Nursery finishes at 1pm for our 30hr Children
Mon 23rd December - Fri 3rd January	Christmas Holiday

# ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER.



## SMARTPHONES VS FEATURE PHONES?

**Smartphones vs dumb phones guide for parents | Internet Matters** The debate around smartphone use in childhood is growing, with some schools, including some Hertfordshire, starting to ban phones. There is also increased discussion about feature phones as safer alternatives. Internet Matters has created a helpful guide to compare options.



### **EE launches age guidance for smartphone usage in drive to improve children's digital wellbeing**

In August 2024 it was announced that EE were launching new age guidance for smartphone usage, addressing growing concerns about children's online safety and the effects of device usage on their overall wellbeing.

The age guidance suggests:

**Under 11:** Use non-smart devices like feature phones with texting and calling capabilities, restricting access to social media and inappropriate content.

**Aged 11-13:** Smartphones can be used with parental controls and a family-sharing app (e.g., Google Family Link or Apple Family Sharing), while limiting social media access.

**Aged 13-16:** Smartphones are appropriate with parental controls to manage access to content and platforms; social media is allowed but should be linked to a parent or guardian's account.

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## THE ABC ONLINE SAFETY CHECKLIST



Internet Matters have created an age-related ABC checklist for online safety:

- A= Activate parental controls
- B= Balance screen time
- C= Check and chat

*'We've broken down the ABCs by age to help you manage your individual child's online safety.'*

**Use the ABC online safety checklist for parents | Internet Matters**

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## GAMING TIPS FOR PARENTS OF NEURODIVERGENT CHILDREN.

Internet Matters has published a helpful guide – focussing on online gaming safety tips for parents and carers of neurodivergent children. The simple 5-page guide covers research, examples of suitable games, some of the challenges parents face, and the key benefits.

The guide can be accessed [here](#)

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### DISCORD CHATROOM

There are growing concerns around content and conduct in the Discord chatrooms. Discord is a platform that hosts chat rooms dedicated to individual games including Fortnite. In a recent investigative report **'Why gaming still has a woman problem'** by Sky News, it was reported that *'There's no way to report Discord users for comments they make in voice chat.*



*There is for text-based conversations, but that is not how many gamers use Discord.'*

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/abc-online-safety-checklist/>

If your child is using chatrooms whilst gaming, Kids Online World has created a brief overview for parents and carers

[Discord - KIDSONLINEWORLD.COM](https://www.kidsonlineworld.com/discord)

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The information in the newsletter is given to help promote the safety of children and young people online.

Every care has been taken to ensure the information and any recommendations in the newsletter are accurate at the time of publishing. Schools must make their own judgements when sharing our recommendations with parents and carers and, where appropriate, always risk assess with their pupils and whole school community in mind.

This newsletter is brought to you by the HFL Education Wellbeing team as part of their online safety support for schools and settings in Hertfordshire. Contact the team at [wellbeing@hfleducation.org](mailto:wellbeing@hfleducation.org) or call 01438 544464.

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