

Open Gates



**Autumn 2 School Value focus is Ambition
Team Two Gates knows no limits. We are
determined to achieve our goals.**



Dear Parents,

Attendance:

The best gift any parent can give their child is to ensure they attend school every day. Please visit our attendance page on the school website for important information about attendance and how it is robustly monitored at Two Gates. Please follow this link to find out more:

[Attendance matters at Two Gates](#)

Regular school attendance is vital for your child to:

- ✓ **DEVELOP INDEPENDENCE AND RESILIENCE**
- ✓ **MAKE AND MAINTAIN FRIENDSHIPS**
- ✓ **EXPERIENCE A FULL SYSTEMATIC CURRICULUM**
- ✓ **LEARN MORE AND REMEMBER MORE**
- ✓ **ACHIEVE MORE**
- ✓ **PARTICIPATE IN EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**
- ✓ **BE READY FOR THE NEXT STAGE IN THEIR EDUCATION**

Parent Consultations:

I hope you have all been able to meet with your children's class teacher to discuss their learning, progress and well-being. We appreciate these opportunities to share your children's strengths and next steps with you. The partnership between home and school is an important factor in children's outcomes and future success. If you missed this chance, you can still request a meeting via the office.

Parent Council:

Please look out for a letter on Class Dojo today about a new initiative we are launching.

Children in Need:

There was no lounging about last Friday despite the children coming to school in their onesies and pyjamas.



We always
support the
charity
Children in
Need and
raised
£244.21



Community Advocate- your school needs you!



We are still looking for a Community Advocate to join our Governance team. Please click the following link to see more about this role.

Advocate Recruitment

Advocates will be appointed for a term of 4 years and work closely with the school leadership to advance the opportunities for students and their schools and help ensure the school is as strong as it can be. The roles require a time commitment of approximately 30-40 hours per year, broken down into meeting attendance, preparation, email/telephone communications and training.

Please see more news, photos and information below, remember that you can follow us on Twitter [@2gatesprimary](https://twitter.com/2gatesprimary). Class and school information will also be posted on [ClassDojo](https://www.classdojo.com/).

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please remember that we are here for you; just call the office on [01827 213855](tel:01827213855) or email officetgs@twogates.staffs.sch.uk

Wishing everyone in our community a restful weekend,

Mrs Llewelyn- Cook 😊

Love children, love learning!

STAR AWARD

Robins - Indiana
Doves - Matei
Buzzards - Emerson
Kingfishers - Lola
Swans - Lily-Rose
Kites - Lenaya
Falcons - Louie
Kestrels - Harper

YOU'RE
doing
Great

BRILLIANT BEHAVIOUR BREAKFAST

Robins - Freddie
Doves - Cherry
Buzzards - Fleur
Kingfishers - Darcie
Swans - Alfie
Kites - Dexter
Falcons - William
Kestrels - Phoebe

TOP ATTENDANCE CLASSES



KS1

Doves
96%

KS2

Kingfishers
98%

YOU'RE
BRILLIANT

STAR AWARD

Robins - Samuel

Doves - Matei

Buzzards - Olivia Lea

Kingfishers - Joseph

Swans - Eva

Kites - Jude

Falcons - Riley

Kestrels - Daniel

YOU'RE
doing
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TOP ATTENDANCE CLASSES



KS1

Doves

96.3%

KS2

Kites

98.6%

BRILLIANT BEHAVIOUR BREAKFAST

Robins - Milo

Doves - Alexis

Buzzards - Olivia-Lea

Kingfishers - Darcie

Swans - Freddie

Kites - Jacob

Falcons - Tyler

Kestrels - Leo



Diary Dates

DON'T FORGET

Friday 1st December

Teacher Training Day - School Closed

Monday 25th December till Friday 5th January 2024

Christmas Holidays

Monday 8th January

Teacher Training Day - School Closed

HOHOHO!HOHOH

Save
the Date

Monday 11th December
Parent Council Meeting - 9am

Monday 11th December
Year 3 Christmas Craft Parent Event - 2:15pm till 3:15pm

Tuesday 12th December
Year 4 Christmas Craft Parent Event - 2:15pm till 3:15pm

Wednesday 13th December
Year 5 Christmas Craft Parent Event - 2:15pm till 3:15pm

Thursday 14th December
Year 6 Christmas Craft Parent Event - 2:15pm till 3:15pm

Friday 15th December
Christmas Songs with KS1 - 2:15pm till 3:00pm

Monday 18th December
Reception Christmas Stay and Play Christmas Crafts
&
Nursery Christmas Stay and Play Christmas Crafts

Tuesday 19th December
Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 22nd December
Christmas Party Day
we finish for the
Christmas Holidays

Back to School
Tuesday 9th January 2024

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NEXT WEEKS MENU



WEEK 3

STEP 1 Choose from...

Main

Vegetarian

Combo

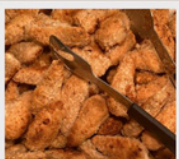


STEP 2 ...and to finish!

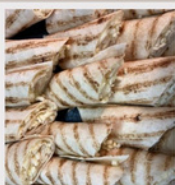


Bread and Salad will be available at Lunch Times

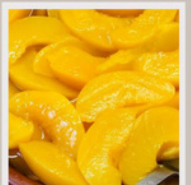
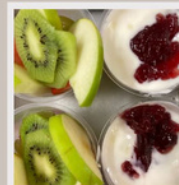
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Margherita Pizza <i>to go with</i> Herby Diced Potatoes, Tomato Rocket & Onion Salad	Sweet Sticky Turkey Fajitas <i>to go with</i> Herby Rice, Corn on the Cob	Roast Chicken <i>to go with</i> Yorkshire Pudding, Carrots, Cauliflower, Roast Potatoes, Sweetcorn	Mexican Beef Lasagne <i>to go with</i> Wholegrain Rice, Peas, Sweetcorn	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons <i>to go with</i> Baked Beans, Chips, Peas
Spicy Singapore Noodles <i>to go with</i> Broccoli, Mixed Salad	Vegetable Pasta Bake Creamy Tomato Sauce & Melted Cheese <i>to go with</i> Wholemeal Garlic Bread, Broccoli	Cottage less Pie <i>to go with</i> Yorkshire Pudding, Carrots, Roast Potatoes, Sweetcorn	Chilli Nene Carne & Nachos <i>to go with</i> Wholegrain Rice, Peas, Sweetcorn	Falafel & Spinach Burger <i>to go with</i> Baked Beans, Chips, Peas
Jacket Potato <i>to go with</i> Mixed Salad <i>with choice of fillings</i> Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato <i>to go with</i> Mixed Salad <i>with choice of fillings</i> <small>Pasta King - Chicken Tikka, Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo</small>	Jacket Potato <i>to go with</i> Mixed Salad <i>with choice of fillings</i> Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato <i>to go with</i> Mixed Salad <i>with choice of fillings</i> <small>Pasta King - Chicken Tikka, Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo</small>	Jacket Potato <i>to go with</i> Mixed Salad <i>with choice of fillings</i> Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo
Pasta <i>with choice of fillings</i> Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	Pasta <i>with choice of fillings</i> Pasta King - Chicken Tikka	Pasta <i>with choice of fillings</i> Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce	Pasta <i>with choice of fillings</i> Pasta King - Chicken Torino	Pasta <i>with choice of fillings</i> Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce
Sandwich - combo <i>with choice of fillings</i> Ham, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Sandwich - combo <i>with choice of fillings</i> Ham, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Sandwich - combo <i>with choice of fillings</i> Ham, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Sandwich - combo <i>with choice of fillings</i> Ham, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo	Sandwich - combo <i>with choice of fillings</i> Ham, Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo
Peaches and Ice-Cream	Apple Crumble	Chocolate Crunch	Orange & Mango Ice Smoothie	Carrot Cake
Fresh Fruit Pot, Homemade Yoghurts, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Homemade Yoghurts, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Homemade Yoghurts, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Homemade Yoghurts, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Homemade Yoghurts, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly



Week 3



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Tuesday 19th December 2023

Christmas Lunch

*Roast Turkey
or
Quorn Fillet
with*

*Stuffing & Yorkshire pudding
Rosemary Roasted Potatoes
Carrots & Sprouts
Gravy*

*Christmas Cracknel Pudding
Custard
or*

Strawberry Trifle



Support





Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle with your child's bedtime?

Will your child not sleep in their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

033303 530 541

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

Around **50%** of children will have a sleep issue at some point*



WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?

In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

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*Survey of 2,000 adults by OnePoll, Aug 2021

Family Practitioner Service

Parent Support Sessions. 2023-2024

Teen Parenting Programme

Do you have teenage children who are driving you mad?

Are you struggling to enforce rules and boundaries with your teen?

Do you feel you are always nagging at them which leads to conflict and arguments?

The Teen Parenting Programme is a 6 week programme for parents and carers of 11-17 year olds. We cover communication, home rules , safety , peer pressure and how to manage challenging situations.

We hold courses regularly throughout the year so please refer and you will be contacted and invited to the next available course.

The next course will start:

Wednesday 10th January

9.00-11.30 am

Families First Basin Lane,

Tamworth B77 2AH.

Refreshments will be available.

Book your free place now.

email: ehltamworth.gov.uk for a referral form or ring 01827 782004 for more information.

Young Parents Support Group

Currently running every Wednesday afternoon from 12.30 – 2.30pm at Families First Basin Lane, Tamworth B77 2AH

Over an 8-week rolling cycle we explore a range of topics to help teenage and young first time parents such as;

Child development,

Sleep routines,

Feeding and weaning,

Play and interaction,

Childhood immunisations and health,

Financial advice and budgeting

Looking after yourself.

Babies and toddlers welcome

Places available now!

The Freedom Programme

Awareness Raising Sessions for Women

This is a 12 week support group for any women fleeing or who have experienced domestic abuse. Domestic abuse is not only between couples; it can also occur between a parent and child, or another relative. The programme helps the attendees understand why domestic abuse happens, the impact it can have on children and how to identify signs of abusive behaviour, helping to break the cycle of abuse. Women are able to share their experiences in a safe and non-judgemental space and gradually build the skills and confidence needed to recognise repeated patterns of abusive behaviour in relationships.

Every Tuesday Morning 9.30-11.30 at Families First Basin Lane.