

Topaz News



Dear Parents and carers,

The first week of full time is over and the children are beginning to feel tired! With 4 weeks left of this term, please make sure they are having some rest-time over the weekend!

Water Bottles

It is important for the children to stay hydrated whilst in school and although I remind the whole class throughout the day to have a drink it is hard for me to monitor how much each child is drinking. If you feel that they are not drinking enough, perhaps you could challenge them to take responsibility by drawing a line halfway down their bottle and seeing if they can drink to the line by lunchtime! Also, if their bottle is see-through, I can see if there is a lot left or a little whereas if they are solid I cannot see.

This Week

This week we have been looking at *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson. We have retold the story using props, practised our scissor skills by cutting out purple prickles to stick on his back, made (non-edible) Gruffalo crumble and drawn and painted pictures of the Gruffalo and other characters. We also went to our first assembly.



Socks

For PE and using the sandpit, children need to take off their shoes and socks. Everyone is having a really good go at putting them back on by themselves but some still need help. Please practise doing it at home until they are able to do it independently.

PE Tops

Some children are complaining that the inside of the logo of the new PE tops is uncomfortable. If this is the case for your child, perhaps put a vest on them underneath on PE days.

Spare Pants

If your child wears spare pants home from school, please return these as soon as possible. It might be a good idea to send in a spare pair to keep in their drawer for just in case as we don't have many spare pairs!

Coming up next week	Ways to support at home
PE on Thursday and Friday – Please wear PE kit to school. Forest Friday – Please bring suitable clothes in a bag/backpack.	<i>Dough Disco</i> <i>Practise recognising phonemes quickly</i> <i>Play 'What's in the Box?'</i>

Important Dates:

15/10/2025 – Journal Share

21 & 22/10/2025 – Parents Evening

Have a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Newcombe