

TYLERS GREEN MIDDLE SCHOOL



"Be yourself, be anything, we are the future."

NEWSLETTER
18 September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a wonderfully positive start to the new school year at TGMS. Our new Year 3 pupils have settled in brilliantly and are already beginning to look very much at home, while pupils across Years 4, 5 and 6 have returned with maturity, enthusiasm and a real sense of readiness for the year ahead.

As I walk around the school each day, I have been struck by the calm, purposeful atmosphere in classrooms, the warmth of relationships between pupils and staff, and the pride children are taking in their learning, routines and responsibilities. September always brings a great deal of change, but the way our pupils have embraced new classes, new expectations and new opportunities has been extremely impressive.

A particular thank you must go to our staff team, who have worked incredibly hard to make the start of term feel smooth, welcoming and well organised. Thank you also to you, our parents and carers, for the support you have already shown: through preparing children so positively for the new year, engaging with our Welcome Meetings, reading key communications and helping us establish strong routines from the very beginning.

For families who are new to TGMS, I know that the first few weeks can bring a lot of information to process. I aim to publish one or two newsletters each half-term to share important updates, celebrate school life, and keep you connected with our priorities. I hope you find them useful, informative and positive to read.

Mr Isaacs
Headteacher

Welcome Meetings 2026

Thank you to everyone who attended our Welcome Meetings last week, with the presentations now available on our [website](#). We were delighted with the fantastic turnout, and the atmosphere in school throughout the evening felt incredibly positive. Staff and I really appreciated the time parents gave to attend, listen, ask questions, and engage so constructively with the year ahead.

We have also received lots of helpful feedback that holding the Welcome Meetings on a single evening worked well for families, particularly for parents with children in more than one year group, who were able to hear from two year teams in one visit — and only had to listen to me *once*! We will continue to reflect on the format and timings, but it felt like a really successful step in helping families feel informed, welcomed and connected from the very start of the year.

Democracy in Action at TGMS

September has once again given pupils the chance to see democracy in action across TGMS. Following assemblies exploring what democracy means and why every voice matters, pupils will be standing for a range of leadership roles, sharing their ideas with classmates and taking part in elections. We have been hugely impressed by the courage of those willing to put themselves forward, the thought that has gone into speeches and campaigns, and the respectful way pupils have listened to and supported one another.

Of course, democracy also means accepting that we cannot always get the outcome we have hoped for. Learning to vote thoughtfully, respect the result, and continue contributing positively is every bit as important



as winning an election. So, over the next few weeks, congratulations to all those elected as School or Sports Councillors, but also to every pupil who had the confidence to stand and try. Pupil voice is an important part of life at TGMS, and we look forward to seeing our new representatives help shape the year ahead.

Democracy in Action: House Captain Election

Now, I have the pleasure of announcing our Y6 House Captains for the year. Around a third of our Y6 pupils put themselves forward to deliver a 2-minute speech to earn votes from their House peers, and I am very proud of the confidence they displayed. The Y6 pupils diligently applied the principles of our elections (positive and respectful; no unrealistic promises (such as “sweets for everyone!”); and no negative comments about others) for the content of their speeches, and I am extremely proud of them for adhering to them so maturely. In fact, I think our real-life politicians could have learned a thing or two from the respect they showed each other and their deliverable pledges. Every single candidate should be extremely proud of themselves (every single candidate received multiple votes), and I wish they could have all earned a position.

That being said, I am very pleased and proud to announce the House and Vice House Captains for 2026-27:

	Ashwell		Beacon		Penn		Tyler	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
House Captain	Harri	Emma	Harry	Emmy	Jude	Amelie	Milo	Isabelle
Vice-Captain	Archie	Lily	Rory	Holly	Jaxon	Ella	Seb & Lucas	

FOTGMS Annual General Meeting – Next Wednesday

Our FOTGMS AGM takes place next Wednesday, 23 September, from 7.00–8.30 pm, and all parents and carers are very welcome to join us. It is a great opportunity to hear about the successes of the past year, learn more about the projects and enrichment FOTGMS has helped make possible, and have your say on priorities for the year ahead.

It is a hybrid meeting, both here at school and online: <https://meet.google.com/sfn-ekaq-iaak>

FOTGMS makes a huge difference to school life, not only through fundraising, but by helping to create memorable experiences and a stronger sense of community for our pupils and families. Whether you are interested in getting more involved, have ideas to share, or simply want to find out more about what the group does, we would be delighted to see you there.



Friends of TGMS
WhatsApp group



The TGMS REACH Fund - Helping Us Make TGMS Unmissable

Thank you to everyone who has been able to make their yearly or monthly contribution to the TGMS REACH Fund. As explained in the Welcome Meetings, the TGMS REACH Fund is a charitable school fund used to enhance our children's curriculum experience by enabling our teachers to buy engaging and unforgettable enrichment experiences.

This Tuesday, Y4 enjoyed their Egyptian Day (further pictures to be added to our [Year Group Pages](#) soon), which was a tremendous success (thanks, parents, for supporting with such great costumes!). And next week, we have Y5 Anglo-Saxon Day and Y3 Stone Age Workshop.



A suggested contribution of £60 per year, or £5 per month, helps us sustain and broaden these opportunities for pupils across the school.

We are incredibly grateful to every family who is able to contribute. At the same time, we want to be very clear that there should never be any pressure to do so if contributing is not manageable for your family. Every contribution, large or small, helps us continue to make these experiences possible for our pupils.

For more information, please see our REACH Fund [website page](#).



Guiding Digital Childhoods – Growing Momentum

A huge thank you to parents for the continued support of our Guiding Digital Childhoods work. Since last week's Welcome Meetings, the number of TGMS families signed up to our Voluntary Family Register of Commitment has risen to 44 — a really encouraging increase and further evidence that more families are choosing to work together around the shared principles of delaying smartphones and social media.



WORKING TOGETHER
ACROSS LOCAL SCHOOLS
TO SUPPORT CONFIDENT,
CONNECTED FAMILIES
IN A DIGITAL CHILDHOOD



We are now moving closer to the point where this collective commitment can begin to feel genuinely influential across friendship groups (25%+ participation). One of the most powerful things families can do is simply to talk to one another. We would therefore encourage parents to connect with the families of their child's closest TGMS friends and positively explore each other's views and approaches. The more families who feel they are making these decisions together, rather than in isolation, the easier it becomes to create a healthier and more consistent digital childhood for our children.

If you have not yet signed up, the [Voluntary Register](#) remains open through the [GDC section of our website](#), alongside the recording and supporting information from our parent meeting.

Finally, we have now approved our first few applications for older pupils to carry a concealed GPS tracker in their school bag, where this supports greater independence while remaining consistent with the GDC principle of delaying smartphones. Families considering this option can find the eligibility criteria and expectations on pages 39–40 of our [Online Safety Policy](#).

Quick News :

- Please make sure you are subscribed to our [Diary Dates](#) page on the website.
- We're fortunate to work with excellent external providers who offer a wide range of [clubs](#) and [music/singing tuition](#) at TGMS. Please see our website page, as well as the posters displayed on our front and back noticeboards.
- **Uniform & PE Shorts:** As a reminder, our Uniform Policy requires buttoned shirts rather than polo shirts for new purchases. For PE, black shorts are required; cycle-style shorts are fine, but please ensure they are mid-thigh length. Thank you for helping us keep standards high and consistent.
- **Local events that may be of interest:**
 - [Penn & Tylers Green Residents' Society – Events & What's On](#)
 - [St Margaret's Church & Holy Trinity Penn – Weekly News & Services \(including job opportunities\)](#)
 - [Chepping Wycombe Parish Council Newsletter](#)

Event Reminders (Website Calendar Page):

- **TGMS Staff-led Clubs:** Start next week.
- **Y3 Swimming:** Starts next week.
- **Y5 Anglo-Saxon Day:** Tuesday, 22 September.
- **FOTGMS AGM:** Wednesday, 23 September, 7.00 pm.
- **SEND Teacher Meetings:** Wednesday, 23 September, after school.
- **Y3 Stone Age Workshop:** Thursday, 24 September.
- **Y4 Scooter Workshop:** Friday, 25 September
- **Y4 Woodrow Residential Consent/Deposits:** End of September.
- **Individual and Sibling Photos:** Monday, 5 October
- **Secondary Transfer Test Results:** Emailed to parents (after 4 pm) by Bucks Council on Friday, 9 October.
- **CAT4 Assessments:** Week beginning Monday, 12 October (for Y4 & Y5 pupils; optional but supports secondary planning. Please see our [website](#) for details).

Thank you for reading our first newsletter of the year and, once again, for your outstanding support of your children and of the school. 2026-27 promises to be an extremely successful year for us all!



Kids at ST MARGARET'S

**CRECHE (0 - 3)
TYGRE CLUB (4-11),
AND XSTREAM (12-13)**

**1ST, 2ND AND 3RD SUNDAYS OF
THE MONTH**

**SONGS | CRAFTS | READINGS
LEARNING ABOUT GOD**



**WE MEET AT 9.30AM, IN CHURCH AND
THEN GO TO THE SANCTUARY**

**PARENTS WELCOME TO JOIN US OR
STAY IN CHURCH**



TylersGreenYouthClub

for anyone in school years 6-10

Games | Activities | Talk | Food

Autumn 2026

Sunday 13th September 5-7pm
Sunday 27th September 5-7pm
Sunday 11th October 5-7pm
Sunday 8th November 5-7pm
Sunday 22nd November 5-7pm
Sunday 13th December 5-7pm

WHERE?
e The Sanctuary,
1-2 Nursery Ln, Penn, High Wycombe
£1 Voluntary Donation

