

# TWA Telegraph - Fourth Edition - Christmas Special



Welcome to the **fourth** edition of the TWA Telegraph!



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*WOW! We are already on the fourth edition of the TWA Telegraph! In this edition you can meet some of the staff at TWA and learn a little about them as well more about what really has been a packed half term!*

*This edition marks the end of our second term at TWA and our first Christmas together. There have been lots of new developments and exciting educational visits as well as opportunities for us to celebrate as a whole school community.*

*I wanted to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a safe and happy Christmas holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back in 2023!*

*Best wishes*

*Paul*

*P.S. Be sure to check out the very special video at the end of this newsletter!!!*

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## Meet a member of staff

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*Hello everyone!*

*I'm Denise and I am the Catering Manager at The Warwickshire Academy.*

*I'm here to make sure that these young people are loved and looked after in the food department. I like to think I do this with my heart and soul, but, mainly with my hands :-)*

*I enjoy my job very much and it is a pleasure to cook for everyone!*

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## Remembrance Day



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*On the 11th November, all staff and students came together as a community to remember those that had fallen in conflict.*

*Students undertook a range of activities to understand the different aspects of Remembrance Day and why we remember.*

*It was incredibly moving to see and hear a vibrant and busy school come to a standstill for 2 minutes when all staff and students participated in the 2 minutes silence.*

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## Out and about with TWA



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*This half term has seen us have not 1, not 2 but **3** educational visits!*

*On Tuesday 8th November, we held our very first Educational Visit at TWA. Staff took three children from Year 7a to Lucky Tails Farm to carry out a walking experience with alpacas. When we arrived, we were introduced to all the male alpacas, and we were given information about their characters and behaviour. Amongst the alpacas we could choose to walk we had Boris Johnson (who no one chose), Draco, Wooky and Gandy. Draco wanted to show off to the girls and was a little bit naughty on the walk and showed us his feisty side. All three girls took part in walking the alpacas around the farm and were then given the opportunity to feed the alpacas along with some of the animals such as the pigs, meerkats, goats. They were even brave enough to hold and stroke the rats.*



*The children have described the experience as, 'spectacular, fabulous and good' and all had a 'blast' throughout the whole morning.*

*Not to be out done the boys from 7a went to Ryton Pools where they made dens, lit fires and played in the country park all topped off with a hot chocolate in the cafe!*

*Year 6 also went on a trip to Ryton Pools Country Park. We started by doing den building where pupils worked together to create a wigwam style den and then they used a flint and steel to light some cotton wool. After this, we went for a walk around the park and went into the café for a hot chocolate and playing in the play area.*

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## The new Gym!

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*When TWA first opened we were fortunate to also have a space that we could turn into a gym for students and staff. After lots of renovation and working with a range of suppliers the exciting day finally came when we were handed the keys!*



*The new gym, formally known as The Bradbury Centre, has a range of cardio equipment, weights machines and free weights that adds another dimension to what we can offer at TWA and will be a real asset for all!*

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## Elf Day!

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*On the 2nd of December 2022 the Elves took over TWA! Staff and students celebrated Elf Day to support the Alzheimer's Society. Support us by donating to our JustGiving page here [TWA Just Giving Page for Elf Day](#)*

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## Christmas jumper day!

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*On the 8th December staff and students at TWA truly got into the festive spirit with Christmas Jumper Day! There was a wide range of jumpers on display and a great day was had by all putting us all in the festive spirit!*

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## TWA Christmas Surprise!

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*Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without a Christmas song! Staff at TWA got together this year to recreate the classic 1984 version of Band Aid! See if you can spot the different staff! A huge thank you to Nathan our Year 8 teacher who put the video together!*

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## Community support for TWA

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*As a school we always want to support our families as much as we can. With the unprecedented challenges we all face with the cost of living crisis and rising fuel prices we wanted as a staff to support our families over the Christmas period.*

*We have to say a huge thank you to Indi and all of people from the Gurdwara Baba Vadbhag Singh Ji, Bayton Road, Coventry for their generosity and support. They provided food parcels and gift vouchers for all of our families and we are truly grateful for their support*

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## Important Dates

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*School finishes for Christmas on **Friday 16th December 2022***

*School returns on **Tuesday 3rd January 2023***

*School finishes for February Half Term on **Friday 17th February 2023***

*School returns on **Monday 27th February 2023***

*Training Days*

*Friday 28th April 2023*

*Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July 2023*

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Contact us

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*We would love to hear your thoughts and ideas about what **you** would like to see in future issues of the TWA Telegraph.*

*Contact us at [enquiry@wa.thrive.ac](mailto:enquiry@wa.thrive.ac) to let us know your ideas or to give us any feedback*

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