



Friday 16th October 2026

Mwanjati Monday – Monday 19th October

Monday 19th October marks our first Mwanjati Monday of the school year!



For families who are new to Twiss Green, Mwanjati Village School is a school in Malawi that we have proudly supported since 2005, when the Mwanjati Village School Trust (MVST), a UK-based charity, was established.

Over the past 21 years, the school has grown enormously. When it first opened, it had just one teacher and 101 pupils. Today, around 700 children attend the school, with teachers, including the Headteacher, funded by the Malawian Government. New classrooms have been built, and the learning environment has gradually improved, thanks to the dedication of the charity and its supporters.

However, Mwanjati Village School continues to face significant challenges. With only five classrooms available, six classes are taught outdoors under trees, meaning that lessons cannot take place when the weather is poor. The school also has limited access to clean water, teaching resources and essential facilities. Providing solar power has been a longstanding priority, but recent damage to the school roof means that urgent repairs are now the charity's most pressing concern.

Over the years, the children and families of Twiss Green have made a wonderful contribution to the work of MVST through a range of fundraising activities. Last year, we introduced Mwanjati Mondays, taking place on the final Monday of each half term, with a different fundraising activity each time.

On Monday, children are invited to come to school in their own clothes in return for a suggested donation of £1. Every contribution, however small, will help MVST continue its important work to improve the educational opportunities and everyday lives of the children at Mwanjati Village School.

We are incredibly proud of our longstanding connection with Mwanjati and hope that Team TG will continue to make a difference to this very special school community.

Could you help Mwanjati Village School in another way?

MVST is currently looking for additional Trustees and would particularly welcome interest from someone with a financial background who may be willing to take on the role of Treasurer. If you would like to find out more about this opportunity or the charity's work, please contact the school office or visit their website:

<https://www.mvst.co.uk/>



Harvest Assembly

On Wednesday 21st October, the children will be coming together for our annual Harvest assembly, where we will be reflecting on the importance of gratitude, kindness and helping others in our community.

As part of our Harvest celebrations, we will once again be supporting Warrington Foodbank, which provides vital support to local families and individuals experiencing hardship.

We would be extremely grateful for any donations of non-perishable food items that families are able to send into school on the day. The Foodbank has highlighted that they are particularly in need of the following items:

- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned pasta
- Rice pudding
- Long-life juice or cordial
- Long-life milk

We appreciate that times can be challenging for many families, so please don't feel under any pressure to contribute. Every donation, however small, will be gratefully received and will help make a difference to someone in our local community.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness and generosity.



A Huge well Done!

We are always delighted to hear about the wonderful things our children achieve outside of school, and recently we have had some fantastic successes to celebrate!

A huge well done to our children who play for Culcheth Eagles U10s rugby team, who have enjoyed an incredible unbeaten season! We would also like to congratulate our children who are members of GR8 Gymnastics Club, who achieved an amazing first place in their category at a recent competition in Disneyland Paris!

We are incredibly proud of all our children and their achievements, both in and out of school. It is wonderful to see Team TG demonstrating such talent, dedication and resilience in the activities they enjoy. Congratulations to everyone involved – what fantastic achievements!



Staffing News

As many of you will know, we said goodbye to Mrs Pullen, our Breakfast Club Supervisor and Nursery staff member last week. Mrs Pullen has been a member of Team TG for many years, and we would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication to children across the school during that time. We wish her well as she begins her next chapter and can't wait to hear all about it! Mrs Pullen has asked that we pass on her thanks for all the very kind and thoughtful messages and gifts she received last week.

We would also like to congratulate Mrs Hoolihan, who is our new Breakfast Club Supervisor and welcome Miss Dobbs, our new Nursery teaching assistant to Team TG! Miss Dobbs will be joining us after half term and is looking forward to getting to know children and families.

Reception Reading and Phonics Meeting

Parents and carers of children in Reception are invited to a reading and phonics workshop on Tuesday 20th October at 9.10 - 10am. The meeting will share our approach to the teaching of reading with you and introduce our phonics scheme, Little Wandle. After a short meeting in the hall, parents and carers are invited into class to take part in some phonics activities with their child. Please let the Reception staff team know if you are unable to make it and they will share the resources from the session with you.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Monday 19th October

Mwanjati Monday, non-uniform day in return for a suggested £1 donation

Tuesday 20th October

Reading and Phonics Meeting for Reception parents and carers, 9.10am

Wednesday 21st October

Harvest Assembly for children – please bring donations
for Warrington Foodbank

Thursday 22nd October

Open Morning for Nursery and Reception 2027 starters, 9.30 – 11am

Thursday 22nd October

Y2 Share a Lesson, 2pm

Thursday 22nd October

PTFA Halloween Disco

Friday 23rd October

PTFA Pre-Loved Uniform Sale and Tuck Shop, 3.15pm

Friday 23rd October

School breaks up for half term

Tuesday 3rd November

Children return to school for autumn 2