

# TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

## Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2016

### General School Information/Dates

Please visit the [Headteacher's Blog](#) on the school website for more information on what's been happening in school recently



Following the changes within our Governing Body we want you to be aware of who are Governors are! For the next few weeks we are sharing a pen portrait of one of our Governors each week. This week is Headteacher Mrs Kirsten Finley.

I am Kirsten Finley, the Headteacher here at Tranmere Park. I've worked at the school since 2001 and became Headteacher in 2007. As Headteacher, I sit on all the sub committees and present a report at each meeting of the Governing Body. We are lucky to have such a dedicated group of Governors – whether it's through class visits or attending parent evenings or running a club like Dr Burke's Gardening Club – they all work really hard to ensure our school's success.

#### PGL France 2016

A letter was sent home on Wednesday with all year 6 pupils going on the above trip to France confirming the final arrangements. A copy has been attached to this week's Tranmere Times for your information.

#### Walk to School Week

A big well done to all those pupils who made an extra effort to walk to school last week. Congratulations to Kingfishers (KS2) and Skylarks (KS1) who managed to have the highest number of walkers over the week. Both classes will get an extra playtime and vouchers to spend on equipment for their classes.

#### Parent Forum

Attached to tonight's Tranmere Times are the minutes from the last meeting on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May.



#### Reading Tents for Africa

This year's second hand book sale to raise funds for reading Tents for Africa will take place from the 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> June. Please begin to sort through your bookshelves and bring any previously loved books to Red Kites classroom the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> June. Please note, we shall be limiting the sale to children's books only. Thank you.

#### Break Time Snacks

There seems to be a lot of confusion at the moment as to what type of cereal and fruit bars children are allowed to bring in for morning snack.

The easiest way to sort this so that we stick with the governments 'Healthy Eating' strategy is to say children may only be allowed to bring in fresh fruit and vegetables for snacks.

Unfortunately children who bring in cereal bars and fruit bars etc. will be asked not to eat them and take them home at the end of the school day.

Thank you for your support with the changes.

### **Year 5/6 Netball Club (3.15 - 4.15pm) - Cancellation**

Netball Club for Years 5/6 is cancelled on the first Monday back after half term (Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June) as a large number of the group will be away on PGL residential.

### **Health Week June 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>**

We are planning a series of activities related to the benefits of exercise and healthy eating for all pupils during the above week. If any parents are able to offer any time and/or expertise to help (e.g. leading an exercise class or cooking activity) it would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to help please contact either Mrs Tate (Puffins) or Miss Bell (Skylarks).

### **Class and Team Photographs**

Class/Team photographs have been sent home this week. A large copy of the photographs will be available to view in classroom windows after half term. The deadline for orders is Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June. Please note late orders cannot be accepted and in this circumstance, parents will need to contact Tempest Photography direct.

### **Let's Celebrate/Battle of the Acts Event**

Tranmere Park School are entering an act in this year's Let's Celebrate/Battle of the Acts Event on 9th June 2016. This year the event will be taking place at locally recognised heritage hotspot, Guiseley Theatre. The event is being generously supported by the Community Committee's Youth Activity Fund as well as Aireborough Children's Services to keep ticket prices as low as possible with seats at £4 per adult and £2 per child (U18). This year promises to professionally showcase bright and fresh talent on the stage both from your own and other participating schools, possibly your own children will be up there to perform and play in front of the 300 strong crowd!

Look out for flyers in schools and information about ticket sales to be released from May 2016 with links on the Community Committee Facebook page. Book early to avoid disappointment.

**Sainsbury's Active Kids 2016** We are once again collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. Please ask family and friends to help us collect as many vouchers as possible. We use these vouchers to buy play equipment for the children to use in the playground.

## **Important Information**

### **School Dinner Money**

School lunches for all KS2 pupils will be charged at cost, £2.32 per meal (£11.60 per week). Please be reminded that school lunches can be paid for using the on-line system. This is now the preferred method of payment. Currently we still accept cash or payment by cheque (payable to *Leeds City Council*).

To pay for the final half term - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (35 days) = £81.20

Year 3/4 children have a trip on 21.6.16 to Stocksbridge (34 days) = £78.88

Year 5 children have a trip on 6.7.15 to Saltaire (34 days) = £78.88

Year 6 children have a trip on 8.7.16 to Saltaire, Transition Day to High School, Leavers Day Out (32 days) £74.24 and for those going on the PGL to France (27 days) £62.64

Please check your child's current balance using our on-line payment system during the holidays before making your final payment for this academic year. This is particularly important for year 6 pupils who will be leaving in July. If you cannot access the online system please contact the school office for an up to date balance before making next terms payment. Thank You.

### **Assemblies**

Parents are most welcome to attend their child's class assembly at **9.10am**.

<b>10.06.16</b>	<b>BLUEBIRDS</b>
<b>17.06.16</b>	<b>PUFFINS</b>
<b>24.06.16</b>	<b>RED KITES</b>
<b>01.07.16</b>	<b>EAGLES</b>
<b>08.07.16</b>	<b>PERFORMANCE ASSEMBLY</b>
<b>15.07.16</b>	<b>ROBINS</b>

## Forthcoming Dates

<b>Friday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3.15 PM</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR SUMMER 2 TERM</b>
Monday – Friday	6 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 PGL Residential to France
Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup> June	New Entrants Parent's Meeting 6.00-7.00pm <b>TBC</b>
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Reception to Year 1 transition Evening for parents 6.00-6.45pm
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 to Year 3 Transition Evening for parents 6.00-6.45 pm
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup> June	New Entrants Parent's Meeting 6pm–7pm
Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA Summer Fair
Monday	11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5+Y6 End of year production Dress Rehearsal 1.45pm
Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5+Y6 End of Year Concert 6pm
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5+Y6 End of Year Concert 6pm
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupil Reports to Parents
Monday	18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leaver's Event (during school hours)
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Y6 Leaver's assembly 10.00am
<b>Monday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>TRAINING DAY</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>TRAINING DAY</b>

## Special Mention

On Thursday morning we hold a Special Mention Assembly to celebrate achievements within school. If your child has achieved something really special outside of school we would be pleased to announce this on Tranmere Times. Please e-mail Mrs Reeve on [victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk)

There was no Special Mention Assembly this week due to KS1 SAT'S taking place in the hall.

## Extended Services

## Attendance

Our school target for attendance set by the Leeds City Council Attendance Strategy Team is 97%. The class averages for the week from the 23<sup>rd</sup> May – 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.

ROBINS	98.7%	RED KITES	97.3%
BLUEBIRDS	99.1%	WOODPECKERS	99.3%
EAGLES	99.1%	WRENS	93.5%
KESTRELS	94.1%	FALCONS	94.4%
SKYLARKS	98.7%	PUFFINS	100%
HERONS	98.4%	KINGFISHERS	99.4%
		DOVES	96.1%

Well done to Puffins class.

# P.T.A.

## Date for your diary

### Summer Party – Saturday 16th July 7.30pm

We are pleased to announce that the Tranmere Park Summer Party will take place on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July at Bradford Golf Club. This promises to be a great night out – a brilliant DJ, stunning venue and good food too. This is a fabulous excuse for the ladies to get dressed up and the men too! Tickets cost £20 each and will be on sale soon. For enquiries please contact Gaynor Hammond on 07714 660464 or email [gaynorahammond@btinternet.com](mailto:gaynorahammond@btinternet.com)



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