

# TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER Friday 30th September 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

#### Tempest Photographs

The deadline to order photographs is **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October**. Please follow the order instructions on the form provided. Please ensure checks are made payable to 'Tempest Photography'. Late orders cannot be accepted by school but may be placed with Tempest direct.

#### Harvest Festival

This year as part of our Harvest Festival celebrations in school we will be supporting a local food bank. We would like to ask parents for donations of non-perishable foods and basic toiletries e.g. rice, pasta tinned goods jars – tea, coffee, sugar, cereals, biscuits, toothpaste, soap etc. The food bank have particularly requested tinned meat or fish products (tinned steak/tuna) etc. Please ensure all goods are in date. Donations will be very much appreciated in school from next Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October to 12<sup>th</sup> October. The goods are being transported to the Food Bank on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October in the morning. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

#### **Book Amnesty**

Please return any school library books; we have a number missing, particularly from last year's Reception/KS1 classes. Please have a good look at home and return them to school next week. Thank you.

#### URGENT - Drop-off Zone

We are looking to recruit a volunteer for our Drop-off Zone. Please consider giving up 10 minutes of your day from 8.40am – 8.50am in order for this valuable service to continue.

Our drop-off zone has been an extremely successful venture in the last few years due to a team of dedicated volunteers. We currently need extra help in order to maintain this service. If you feel you could help out as a volunteer on a morning please see Mrs Finley or call in at the school office.

#### **OPEN DAYS**

Tranmere Park will be holding two open meetings for prospective parents in November. The first will take place on Tuesday 8th November at 9.30am. The second will take place on Thursday 10th November at 1.30pm. Both meetings will last approximately an hour and a half.

#### Influenza vaccination Campaign

Consent letters were sent out on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September and the actual vaccinations (via a nasal spray) will take place in school on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

Please note the consent form will need to be returned by **9am on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October** PLEASE NOTE IF THE CONSENT FORM IS RETURNED AFTER THIS DATE YOUR CHILD MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE THE VACCINE AS PLANNED.

#### Parent Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer to work in one of the classrooms in school there will be a meeting for volunteers on **3**<sup>rd</sup> **Monday October at 9.10am** with Mrs Gibson (Eagles) and Mrs Sanderson (SBM). We require volunteers to complete a short application form in-line with safeguarding procedures. A 'Disclosure and Barring Service' form will also be required before voluntary work can commence.

#### Parent Forum Group

We still have a number of vacancies for parent forum representatives. Please consider coming forward. The date of the next meeting is **Tuesday**, 1<sup>st</sup> **November at 9.00am**.

Class	Parent	Child's name	Email addresses
Robins	Sara Jacklin	Jude	
	1 vacancy		
Bluebirds	Rachel Smith	Molly	
	1 vacancy		
Eagles	Clare Wright	Ben	
-	1 vacancy		
Skylarks	Rachel Smith	Harry	
-	1 vacancy		
Herons	2 vacancies		
Red Kites	2 vacancies		
Woodpeckers	Sophie Morley	William	
	1 vacancy		
Wrens	Claire Warman	Harry	
	Catherine Jackson	Amelie	
Falcons	2 vacancies		
Puffins	2 vacancies		
Kingfishers	Natalie Bottomley	Georgia	
	1 vacancy		
Doves	2 vacancies		

## **Important Information**

#### School Dinner Money

From September school meal prices have increased to £2.35 per meal £11.75 per week. Please be reminded that meals must be purchased for the full week ahead. The cost for school meals for this half term ( $6^{th}$  September 2016 – 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016) is £79.90

Current Year 2 children will no longer qualify for Universal Free School Meals in September. A letter was sent home on Tuesday this week to parents of year 3 pupils with information on how to pay using the online system.

#### **Assemblies**

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

Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Doves
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Wrens

#### **Forthcoming Dates**

12 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Pupil Mentoring Week
21 <sup>st</sup> October	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm
24 <sup>th</sup> October	AUTUMN HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED
31 <sup>st</sup> October	SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO YEARS 1 - 6
31 <sup>st</sup> October	EYFS TRAINING DAY – School closed to Reception classes only
	17 <sup>th</sup> October 21 <sup>st</sup> October 24 <sup>th</sup> October 31 <sup>st</sup> October

### **Special Mention**

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

Below are the children who received a Special Mention this week in Special Mention Assembly

CLASS	ATTAINMENT	IT ATTITUDE				
EAGLES	Isla Allen	Ben Wright				
SKYLARKS	Sophie Cooke	Frank Buckle				
HERONS	Red Dickinson	Oliver Casey				
RED KITES	Esther Dooling					
	Isobel Bates					
	Amber Midgley					
WOODPECKERS	Cameron Atkinson					
	Lily Tomkinson					
WRENS	Grace Wareing	Molly Paxton				
FALCONS	Jackson Horsman	Oscar Joslin				
PUFFINS	FINS Anna Owen					
	Matthew Cragg					
KINGFISHERS	Bella Gudgeon	Georgie Bottomley				
DOVES	Daniel Bowden	Bea Proctor				
Mrs Martin's Award	Lara Greenwood	Lialah Hussein				
	Always looking smart	Buying the correct earrings to wear in school				

### 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  $26^{th} - 30$  September.

ROBINS	99.1%	WOODPECKERS	98.4%			
BLUEBIRDS	99.5%	WRENS	98.4%			
EAGLES	99.7%	FALCONS	99.3%			
SKYLARKS	99.0%	PUFFINS	9608%			
HERONS	100%	KINGFISHERS	100%			
RED KITES	98.4%	DOVES	97.9%			
Well done to Herons and Kingfishers for 100% attendance						

Enjoy the weekend.

