



TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th October 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

Overview of Standards 2015-2016 – Results to be very proud of!

We would love to share some of our pupil outcomes with you from the last academic year.

At the end of last year's Early Years Foundation stage 89% of our children made a 'Good Level of Development'. This compared with 62.5% in Leeds and 69.2% nationally. **These outcomes placed our Early Years results as the second highest in Leeds.**

100% of our Year One children passed their phonics screening check. The Leeds average this year was 79.5% and the national average was 80.7%. **This placed our phonics screening check outcomes as joint first in Leeds.**

Our end of Key Stage 1 SATS results (year 2) were as follows:

	Tranmere Park % at expected level	Leeds % at expected level	National % at expected level
Reading	93.3%	65.2%	74.1%
Writing	90%	54.5%	65.5%
Maths	96.7%	64.3%	72.7%
Science	96.7%	74.1%	81.8%

The above results placed our school as joint first in Leeds.

Our end of Key Stage 2 SATS results (year 6) were as follows:

	Tranmere Park % at expected level	Leeds % at expected level	National % at expected level
Reading	89.8%	59.8%	65.6%
GPS	91.8%	68.8%	72.3%
Writing	95.9%	66.5%	74.1%
Maths	98%	65%	69.7%

These results placed our school as fourth overall in Leeds for the end of Key Stage 2. The number of children attaining the expected standard in reading, writing and maths combined placed our school at fourth percentile nationally.

TRIAL OF EARLY MORNING PROCEDURES

Due to congestion around the school pathways at the start of the school day we will be trialling the following system from Monday 10th October 2016.

ALL children will line up in the playground at 8.50am when the whistle is blown.

PLEASE CAN WE ASK ALL PARENTS TO LEAVE THE PLAYGROUNDS AT THIS STAGE.

The children will then be escorted to their classroom accompanied by a member of staff. This is to encourage independence and to avoid the congestion of buggies/parents/children all using the pathways at the same time.

Pupils should be on the playground for **8.50am at the very latest.**

Once the class have entered school through their classroom door the door will be promptly closed.

Any child who comes into school after the doors have closed must enter school via the front entrance to sign the signing in and out book and stating the reason for being late. This is to ensure they are accounted for in school.

Can parents please ensure that child-minders/grandparents etc that bring children to school at the start of the day are aware of these new arrangements.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We are pleased to announce that Mr Atkinson, Father of Cameron in Woodpeckers class has come forward to fill the current vacancy for parent governor. As no-one else has come forward by the deadline date, no vote is necessary for Mr Atkinson to be elected into post. Below is Mr Atkinson's personal statement. Mr Atkinson will commence in his role shortly, once all safeguarding procedures have been completed.

'I am the proud father of Cameron who is currently in Woodpecker class at school. I also have a 17 year old daughter and a 1 year old son, who hope will be following in his brother's footsteps at school. I was born in Bradford and raised in Guiseley where I attended Guiseley Infants School and St Oswald's CE Junior School prior to attending Leeds Grammar School. I have worked as a Police Officer for West Yorkshire Police for the last 21 years and I am currently a uniform Police Inspector covering East Leeds. I am extremely keen to be considered for the vacant post of School Governor and believe that my skills and experience would benefit the board and school.' Rob Atkinson.

Our new Reception classes have settled into school very smoothly. Below are pictures of our new Reception starters.

BLUEBIRD CLASS



ROBIN CLASS



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, 1st November at 9.00am.**

Parent Forum Group Contact details

Class	Parent	Child's name	Email addresses
Robins	Sara Jacklin Alison Bull	Jude Lexi	saraljacklin@gmail.com alibull@btinternet.com
Bluebirds	Rachel Smith Jo Perkins	Molly Max	rachelmsmith@hotmail.co.uk pollyjoperkins@yahoo.co.uk
Eagles	Clare Wright 1 vacancy	Ben	clarehelenwright@hotmail.com
Skylarks	Rachel Smith Rachel Stephenson	Harry Emilia & Josie	rachelmsmith@hotmail.co.uk rachelstephen45@hotmail.com
Hérons	Liz Worley	Lucy	liztomo@hotmail.com
Red Kites	2 vacancies		
Woodpeckers	Sophie Morley 1 vacancy	William	peterandsophiemorley@btinternet.com
Wrens	Claire Warman Catherine Jackson	Harry Amelie	clairewarman@hotmail.co.uk cathjacks@hotmail.com
Falcons	Liz Worley	Sam	liztomo@hotmail.com
Puffins	2 vacancies		
Kingfishers	Natalie Bottomley 1 vacancy	Georgia	Natalie.slater@btinternet.com
Doves	2 vacancies		

Influenza vaccination Campaign

The vaccinations (via a nasal spray) will take place in school on **Thursday 13th October 2016.**

PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR CONSENT FORMS HAS NOW PASSED, IF THE CONSENT FORM IS RETURNED AFTER THIS DATE YOUR CHILD MAY NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE THE VACCINE AS PLANNED.



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, 5th October to 12th October.** The goods are being transported to the Food Bank on Wednesday 12th October in the morning.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Drop-off Zone

Thank you to Mrs Bellwood for coming forward to volunteer for our Drop-off Zone. We are looking to recruit more volunteers. Please consider giving up 10 minutes of your day from 8.40am – 8.50am in order for this valuable service to continue. 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.

Important Information

School Dinner Money

Please be reminded that meals must be purchased for the full week ahead. The cost for school meals for this half term (6th September 2016 – 21st October 2016) is £79.90

Assemblies

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

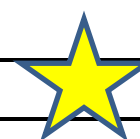
Friday 14 th October	Harvest Festival	Friday 18 th November	Heron
Friday 21 st October	Wrens	Friday 25 th November	Skylarks
HALF TERM		Friday 2 nd December	Kingfishers
Friday 4 th November		Friday 9 th December	Woodpeckers
Friday 11 th November	Performance Assembly	Friday 16 th December	Carols around the tree

Forthcoming Dates

Wednesday	12 th October	Harvest Festival
Monday	17 th October	Pupil Mentoring Week
Friday	21 st October	SCHOOL CLOSING FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm
Monday	24 th October	AUTUMN HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday	31 st October	SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO YEARS 1 - 6
Monday	31 st October	EYFS TRAINING DAY – School closed to Robins & Bluebirds
Monday	7 th November	Themed Week in School
Tuesday	8 th November	Open Days for Prospective Parents 9.30 am
Thursday	10 th November	Open Days for Prospective Parents 1.30 pm
Tuesday	15 th November	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 7pm
Thursday	17 th November	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 5pm



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

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

CLASS	ATTAINMENT	ATTITUDE
EAGLES	Quinn Abbott & Isla Laine-Toner	
SKYLARKS	Yannick Ekstein Ainley	Orla Bowman
HERONS	Lucy Worley	Samuel Stout
RED KITES	Sophia Rose	Amelia Robinson
WOODPECKERS	Kam Harrison & Thomas Whitaker	
WRENS	Ollie Jones & Olivia Walker	
FALCONS	Georgia Gill	Emilia Purnell
PUFFINS	Amelia McDonnell & Eva Shepherd	
KINGFISHERS	Lialah Hussain & Alex Lawson	
DOVES	<p>Eddie McNeill, Rebecca Stout & Jake Williams (for their success at the Bradford Grammar School Code Breakers competition this week – we had two teams coming 1st and 2nd !)</p> <p>Mr Beech also gave a Special Mention to the other team members Daniyal Bye, James Cooper, Max Firbank, Jack Moaby & Poppy Phillips</p>	
Mrs Martin's Award	<p>Dylan Duckmanton for always having good manners, after the school trip he thanked the staff for taking him. Lyra Abbott for making sure her hair is tied back in school colours and looking smart.</p>	

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 3rd – 7th October.

ROBINS	99.6%	WOODPECKERS	98.7%
BLUEBIRDS	99.1%	WRENS	98.7%
EAGLES	100%	FALCONS	98.7%
SKYLARKS	95.2%	PUFFINS	96.0
HERONS	100%	KINGFISHERS	98.8%
RED KITES	96.9%	DOVES	99.4%

Well done to Eagles and Herons!

Extended Services

Aireborough Children's Centre are pleased to announce the opening of our new building at GUISELEY

We are located in a purpose built extension to Guiseley Primary School and look forward to welcoming old & new attendees to our re-launched groups starting 10/10/16. Come along and meet Caroline, our new Early Years Practitioner, who will be leading these fun filled sessions.

For further information on what we have to offer visit : www.aireboroughcc.org.uk or see our Facebook page.
Telephone us on **01943 874925** (ext 5) or 01943 874100

See programme attached to tonight's Tranmere Times.

P.T.A.

Everyone is welcome to attend the PTA meeting and AGM which will be held on **Wednesday 12th October at 7.15pm** at the school.

Enjoy the weekend.

Kirsten Finley
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Headteacher

