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TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th November 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

Specialist Leaders of Education

We are delighted to announce that two of our teachers Mr Beech and Miss Jones have gained specialist leaders of education status from the Department for Education after a rigorous selection process. This means that they are considered to be such effective practitioners that they are able to go and support struggling teachers in other schools. This brings the number of SLE's in school to three as Miss Marsden is also an accredited SLE.

Mannequin Challenge

For Children In Need today, we've not only been dressing up in spotty outfits, but have also taken part in our very own 'Tranmere's Mannequin Challenge'. Mrs Finley will be posting the finished article online where you can watch the short film, Cannes nominated, 'Classes in Chaos' to see just how skilled our school are at being incredibly still.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week has been Anti-Bullying week. Mrs Martin has been working with the School Council during every child's SEAL lesson to remind the children just what bullying is and of our definition 'STOP' (Several Times On Purpose). We are talking with the children about the difference between 'being rude' which is **unintentionally** hurting somebody once, 'mean' which is **intentionally** hurting somebody once and 'bullying' which is **intentionally** hurting somebody more than once and after they've been asked to stop.

Catering Leeds Excellence Awards 2016

We are delighted to announce that our school cook Mrs Michelle Lee was awarded the DARE award (Delivering All Round Excellence) at the awards ceremony this week. Mrs Claire White was also nominated in the Colleague of the Year category. Well done to Michelle and Claire and all the kitchen team for their continued hard work.

KS1 Christmas Concert Tickets

All the tickets for the dress rehearsal on Wednesday have now been allocated. If you have not already done so please send in request slips for tickets for Thursday's concert a.s.a.p. to enable Mrs Gibson to allocate any spare tickets.

Year 5/6 Christmas Concert at St. Oswald's Church – Wednesday 14th December

Please note that the date for the Year 5/6 Christmas Concert has now been confirmed. The concert will take place on **Wednesday 14th December at 6pm** and not Tuesday 13th as previously notified on our proposed dates calendar. The dress rehearsal in church will take place on Wednesday 14th December in the afternoon. The rehearsal in church is for Yr 5/6 pupils only; any parents unable to attend the evening concert are welcome to attend the dress rehearsal in **school** on Monday 12th December at 9.30am.

Winter Plan

We would like to remind parents of the school procedures in the event of severe winter weather. In the event of bad weather school will use the text messaging service to send a message to parents regarding school closures or late opening of school.

Children in Need 2016 – Friday 18th November

Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need today, we raised a fantastic **£446.43** for this very worthy cause. Well done Team Tranmere!



Email received from Turn Up The Talent

Attached is a link to our original song 'Lucky Stars' recorded by our Turn Up The Talent children.
<http://turnupthetalent.bandcamp.com/track/lucky-stars>

The children involved from Tranmere Park are:

Isla Allen, Addison Roberts, Isabel Bates, Joe Reed, Lucas Reed, Chloe Tat, Sophie Tat, Ciara Laven, Emma Walters, Alex Farrar, Lily Tomkinson, Anna Redman, Abby Clay, Evie Hodgson, Georgie Bottomley, Amelia Robinson, Sophia Stanhope, Isabel Armstrong, Darcy Bellwood.

They will be performing 'Lucky Stars' live this Friday 4:30pm in Asda, Pudsey where the Asda press office will be filming and taking photos of the event. They are also performing at Guiseley Christmas market/light switch on.

Bun Sale

On **Wednesday 23rd November** some of our Year 6 girls will be holding a bun sale at morning breaktime. All money raised will go to the RSPCA. All buns will cost 30p – please try to bring the correct money. **PLEASE ENSURE THAT ANY BUNS/CAKES DONATED TO SCHOOL FOR BUN SALES DO NOT CONTAIN NUTS OR NUTELLA TYPE PRODUCTS.** Thank you for your support.

Parent Forum Minutes

The minutes for the Parent Forum meeting held on the 1st November are attached to tonight's Tranmere Times.

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 (31st October 2016 – 16th December 2016) is £82.25

Residential Payments

All deposit payments of £21.25 for the Year 4 residential to Malham was due by the 7th November.
The 2nd payment of £50 for Year 5 residential to Ingleborough is due by the 16th November.
The 2nd payment of £25 for the Year 3 residential to Robinwood is due by the 21st November.
The 3rd payment of £50 for the Year 6 residential to PGL France is due by the end of the month.

Assemblies

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

Friday 25th November	Skylarks
Friday 2nd December	Kingfishers
Friday 9th December	Woodpeckers
Friday 16th December	Carols around the tree

Forthcoming Dates

Monday	5 th December	Y3/4 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45 am
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Tuesday	6 th December	EYFS Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45am (in school) Y3/4 Christmas Concert – 1.45pm
Wednesday	7 th December	KS1 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45am EYFS Christmas Concert 1.45pm
Thursday	8 th December	KS1 Christmas Concert 1.45pm
Saturday	3 rd December	PTA Christmas Fair – 12.00-2.30 pm
Monday	12 th December	Y5/6 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.30am (in school) Reception Christmas Party in School after lunch 1.30am (in school)
Tuesday	13 th December	KS1 Christmas Party in School after lunch
Wednesday	14 th December	Christmas Panto 9am NEW DATE

		Y5/6 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 1.15pm (in church - NO parents) Year 5/6 Christmas Concert 6pm St Oswald's Church Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party in school after lunch
Thursday	15 th December	Christmas Lunch Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party in school after lunch
Friday	16 th December	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm



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



Seren Young (Wrens) has won the woolly hat competition that was sent out via by school from The British Wool Company with a nautical theme to support The Mission to Seafarers charity.

Her hat design will be knitted for the whole family to wear and keep. They are currently being made and when finished they will take photos of the family wearing them. Here is her design, well done Seren.

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

CLASS	ATTAINMENT	ATTITUDE
ROBINS	Jude Jacklin	Millie Saul
BLUEBIRDS	Thomas Walters	Kara Bull
EAGLES	Noah Henderson	Caden Llewellyn-Richards
SKYLARKS	Natasha Smith	Molly Bradbury
HERONS	Dylan Horsman	Oliver Casey
RED KITES	Hugo Hayes	Jude Whetham
WOODPECKERS	Darcey Bellwood	Isobel Stewart & Charlie Wainwright
WRENS	Lily Aspell	April Fletcher
FALCONS	Amy Tierney	James Piotrowski
PUFFINS	Brannan Bellwood	Charlie Miller
KINGFISHERS	Annabel Nightingale & Daniyal Bye	
DOVES	Lauren Ainsworth, Noah Bradbury, Ruby Douro & Pheobe Walsh	
MRS MARTIN	Heidi Gill for always looking smart in her uniform with her hair tied back and Rowan Rucklidge for 100% attendance. The Bluebirds staff gave a special mention to Amy Sykes and Lauren Hall for being such a help with Wes and being very reliable.	

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 14th -18th November.

ROBINS	97.4%	WOODPECKERS	99.7%
BLUEBIRDS	97.3%	WRENS	97.4%
EAGLES	99.3%	FALCONS	97.7%
SKYLARKS	98.0%	PUFFINS	100%
HERONS	98.7%	KINGFISHERS	99.4%
RED KITES	100%	DOVES	97.0%

Well done to Red Kites and Puffins classes!

Extended Services

Ilkley Lawn Tennis & Squash Club - Open Day Sunday 27th November

Sessions for Minis, Juniors & Adults 1 – 2.30pm and 3.20pm – 4pm. All sessions are free. To book visit: www/iltsc.co.uk/opensdays.

P.T.A.

PTA Christmas Fair

Ho-Ho-Ho get ready to go.....to our Fun Filled Christmas Fair, Sat 3rd Dec 12-2.30pm

Dress to impress in your most unique and fabulous Christmas Jumper to be in with a chance to win a great prize.

CHRISTMAS NEEDS YOU! To make our wonderful fair happen we need your help to man stalls and bring joy to our children. Thanks to all those who have already volunteered but we still need at least another 15 people. So come and get involved, it's fun....Honest!

Call/text Beth on 07966 473203 or email brbradley@icloud.com

Friday 25th November

Non-uniform day in exchange for a prize for the Christmas Fair tombola.



Gift Grotto

Father Christmas is coming early to Tranmere Park! The PTA Elves will be running a Gift Grotto on the 2nd December where children can buy a surprise gift for mums, dads, grandmas, grandads – or any other important grown-ups! Order forms with more information will be coming out in book bags. All orders need to be received by **Monday 28th November** in order for the elves to get the gifts ready. Please make cheques payable to Tranmere Park PTA and mark envelopes Gift Grotto.

Thank you for your continued support... we love seeing the childrens' faces at buying you a surprise.

Enjoy the weekend.

Kirsten Finley
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Headteacher

