





TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER Friday 6th January 2017

General School Information/Dates

Please visit the Headteacher's Blog on the school website for more information on what has been happening in school recently

A Happy New Year to all pupils, parents/carers and their families! Staff would like to thank all children and parent/carers for their kindness and generosity in sending Christmas cards and presents into school. We hope everyone had a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas break and we look forward to a busy and productive Spring term ahead.

The deadline for apply for a Reception Place for September 2017 is Sunday 15th January

Parents need to apply for a Reception place via the Leeds City Council website. Instructions on how to apply on-line are at www.leeds.gov.uk. Please note even if you have a child already in school you still need to apply for a younger sibling place via Leeds City Council.



Dulux Dog

School recently won a competition to have our ICT suite refurbished by Dulux paint. On the completion of the work we were presented with a large Dulux Dog cuddly toy.

Next week we will be holding a raffle for families with a chance to win the Dulux Dog. Tickets will be on sale in the front entrance at morning break time for 50p a ticket.

All proceeds from the raffle will go to our School Fund.

<u>Letter received from West Yorkshire's Police and Crime</u> <u>Commissioner</u>

As your Police and Crime Commissioner I want to work with you to deliver on our shared policing and community safety priorities and to keep West Yorkshire safe and feeling safe into the future.

Since 2010 the government has cut the policing budget at the cost of over 2000 police jobs and although this year I have been able to protect the number of PCSOs and recruit an extra 254 police officers there is

still a long way to go to rebuild the numbers here.

Last week the government announced a further cut to the policing and community safety budget of 1.4% and I am therefore having a 'community conversation' to find out whether you and people across West Yorkshire would support a slight increase in the police element of the council tax to pay for stronger neighbourhood policing.

I would be grateful if you could spare some time to complete a questionnaire to gather your views and encourage your colleagues, friends and family to do the same.

The questionnaire can be found at the following address: http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/communityconversation2017/

I want to take your views into account and as budget decisions will need to be made early in the new year I would be very grateful if you could complete this survey by **Friday the 20th January 2017.**

Calculations Evening for Parents – Thursday 19th January 2017

We will be holding a maths calculations evening on **Thursday 19th January** from 6.00pm to 6.30pm in the school hall. The evening will show the current strategies/methods used in school and will cover all year groups.

Parent Forum

The next Parent Forum meeting will take place on Thursday 12th January at 9am

Please contact your class representative if you wish to raise any concerns or feedback upon things that have gone well. Please note issues regarding individual children are to be raised with the class teacher in the first instance.

Parent Forum Group Contact details

Class	Parent	Child's name	Email addresses
Robins	Sara Jacklin	Jude	saraljacklin@gmail.com
Bluebirds	Alison Bull Rachel Smith	Lexi Molly	alibull@btinternet.com rachelmlsmith@hotmail.co.uk
	Jo Perkins	Max	pollyjoperkins@yahoo.co.uk
Eagles	Clare Wright 1 vacancy	Ben	clarehelenwright@hotmail.com
Skylarks	Rachel Smith Rachel Stephenson	Harry Emilia & Josie	rachelmlsmith@hotmail.co.uk rachelstephen45@hotmail.com
Herons	Liz Worley	Lucy	liztomo@hotmail.com
Red Kites	Tracy Laven	Ciara	Tracylaven65@gmail.com
	Kaneez Kishver	Mia	kaneezkishver@hotmail.com
Woodpeckers	Sophie Morley 1 vacancy	William	peterandsophiemorley@btinternet.com
Wrens	Claire Warman Catherine Jackson	Harry Amelie	clairewarman@hotmail.co.uk
Falcons	Liz Worley Jackie Cooper	Sam Roisin	liztomo@hotmail.com jacky@spooc.co.uk
Puffins	Janet Schofield 1 vacancy	Eva	janetfschofield@googlemail.com
Kingfishers	Natalie Bottomley Jackie Cooper	Georgia James	Natalie.slater@btinternet.com jacky@spooc.co.uk
Doves	2 vacancies		

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant Vacancies

We are looking to recruit a Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant to start as soon as possible. The role involves the supervising of children both in the dining hall and on the school playground from 11.55am to 1.10pm. We are happy to recruit people for just one or two lunchtimes a week. If you are interested or know somebody who may be and would like further information please call at the school office and ask to speak to Mrs Sanderson.

Important Information

School Dinner Money

Please be reminded that meals must be purchased for the full week ahead. The cost for school meals for next half term (4th January – 10th February 2016) is £65.80.

Residential Payments

The 4th payment of £50 for Year 5 residential to Ingleborough is due by the 11th January.

The final payment of £25 for the Year 3 residential to Robinwood is due by the 23rd January.

The 5th payment of £50 for the Year 6 residential to PGL France is due by 31st January.

The 2nd payment of £25 for the Year 4 residential to Malham is due on the 9th January.

Please send in any outstanding payments A.S.A.P.

Please ensure all cheques sent to school have the correct date on them i.e 2017!

Assemblies

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

Friday 13 th January	School Council	
Friday 20 th January	Puffins	
Friday 27 th January	Red Kites	
Friday 3 rd February	Eagles	
Friday 10 th February	Falcons	

Forthcoming Dates

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Tuesday	10 th January	Open morning for Prospective Parents 9.30am
Wednesday	11 th January	9.00 - 10.30am EYFS Reading Workshop for Parents
Thursday	19 th January	6.00 – 6.30pm Calculations Evening
Thursday	26 th January	PGL Parent's Information Evening

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 $4^{th} - 6^{th}$ January.

99.0%	WOODPECKERS	97.6%
97.5%	WRENS	98.3%
99.0%	FALCONS	97.9%
96.3%	PUFFINS	96.4%
98.6%	KINGFISHERS	98.3%
98.5%	DOVES	98.2%
	97.5% 99.0% 96.3% 98.6%	97.5% WRENS 99.0% FALCONS 96.3% PUFFINS 98.6% KINGFISHERS

Extended Services

Attached to tonight's Tranmere Times is the Extended services programme for the Spring Term 1.

Badminton Club

Have you made a New Year's Resolution to get more exercise? The Menston St Mary's Deanery Badminton Club is open each Tuesday evening during term time from 8 – 9.30 in the school sports hall. The club is suitable for both experienced players and also beginners who would like to try a new sport. The club is not in a league and so the play is on a social basis with games arranged so that everyone plays with a wide variety of other people during the evening. The club will be open on Tuesday 3rd January after the Christmas holidays and people would be made very welcome if they would like to come down and try their hand at badminton. If you would like any further information you can contact Paul Newman on 01943 864165 or 07710 399436.



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	
ROBINS	Neeve McCaul	Lexi Bull	
BLUEBIRDS	Max Jones	Oliver Turner	
EAGLES	Daisy-May Ballance	Bruce Tallon-Li	
SKYLARKS	Amy Atkinson	Harry Smith	
HERONS	Oliver Ross	Cara Butterworth	
RED KITES	James Murphy & Isabel White		
WOODPECKERS	Will Morley	Shreeya Mistry	
WRENS	Olivia Walker	Sonny Finn	
FALCONS	Leo Fielding	Anna Rowntree	
PUFFINS	Jack Woodhouse	Emaan Ahmed	
KINGFISHERS	Finley Colthorpe	Charlotte Entwistle	
DOVES	Felicity Goodyear	Ben North	
	The following children in Years 5 and 6 were given a special mention for letters they wrote during class to the Prime Minister which have now been published in a book Finley Colthorpe Brody Duckmanton Ruben Fernandez Rebecca Stout Jake Williams		

P.T.A.



PTA Gift Grotto

We would like to say a big thank you to all those involved in the setting up and running of the PTA Gift Grotto this year. It was a great success once again and raised a fantastic £522.61

Kírsten Finley Kirsten Finley Headteacher

















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