



**Noctua**  
Train • Teach • Lead • Learn



# TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 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



We would like to introduce you to Mr Robert Atkinson who became a Parent Governor of the school recently.

My name is Robert Atkinson and I am the proud father of Amelia, Cameron and Rory. Cameron is currently a pupil at the school and I hope that Rory will follow in his brother's footsteps in years to come. I was brought up in Guiseley and have always lived in the area.

I was appointed as a School Governor in October 2016 and I have been appointed on the Finances and Resources sub- committee.

I have been a serving Police Officer within West Yorkshire Police for the last 21 years and I am currently a uniform Police Inspector working in the Leeds District. As well as fulfilling my operational duties at work, I am a trained coach and mentor and assist a number of colleagues in their career development.

I have a real passion for ensuring that pupils thrive as individual learners, reach their potential and leave with the fondest of memories. I will do everything that I can to ensure that the school's great reputation continues and I'll do my very best to support the dedicated and committed staff as they set and work towards the school's aims and objectives.

When I am not busy working, spending time with my family or being a Governor, I enjoy playing cricket for Guiseley Cricket Club and coaching the club's U9's team.

#### **Top of the Class**

We are delighted to announce that we have been listed as 'Top of the Class' in the Yorkshire Posts list of schools that have been identified as some of the highest attaining primary schools in Yorkshire in 2016. The article is attached to tonight's Tranmere Times.

#### **Reception Area decorating works**

Next week Mon - Wed during school hours, we are having the entrance hall painted. Wherever possible can you please refrain from using the front school entrance during this period to reduce the number of people using the entrance foyer unless you are returning/picking up your child during the school day. We are having the works done during the day as this is less costly than weekend working. Other decorating works are already taking place during the holiday, hence these works taking place next week.

Please send a note into school or e-mail school in advance if you need to take your child out of school Mon - Wed next week or if you need to see Mrs Martin. The school e-mail address is: [secretary@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk). Thank you in advance of your co-operation in this matter.

#### **Holiday Club**

Following the success of last year's Holiday Club during the Summer holidays we are once again running the club during the first 3 weeks of this year's Summer holiday. A detailed letter and application form are attached to tonight's Tranmere Times and a copy is also available on the school website. [www.tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk](http://www.tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk)

### **One-Way System around School**

Attached to tonight's Tranmere Times is a map of the one-way system around the estate that we encourage people to use at the beginning of the school day in order to alleviate traffic congestion and potential accidents at this busy time of day. We would like parents to also consider using the one-way system at the end of the day too as we have recently received an increased number of complaints from parents regarding potential near misses to children. For example, it has been reported that drivers are reversing back down Ridge Close to allow other cars through on Ridgeway.

### **World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Advance Notice - World Book Day **Thursday 2nd March** 2017 will follow the same theme as usual: dress up as your favourite book character AND bring the book in...there will be prizes for the 3rd, 2nd, 1st place winners - judges' decision! The more inventive the costume, the better! Sporting characters allowed but discouraged on the grounds of it being TOO EASY to put a football kit on and call yourself 'David Beckham', from 'David Beckham's (more than likely ghost-written) Autobiography!' Mr Sutton

### **Clearing the Ginnel**

We have been approached by Mr Robinson, grandfather of Morgan (Puffins) and Isla Duffey (Red Kites) to ask for volunteers to clear the ginnel this **Saturday, 4th February at 10.00am**. If you are able to help please meet Mr Robinson at the top of the ginnel, with gloves, brush, shovel and refuse sacks. If anyone can bring a wheelbarrow that would be helpful. Your help and time would be very much appreciated.

### **Aireborough Learning Partnership Trust – Survey.**

Our school is part of the Aireborough Learning Partnership Trust and the Trust is keen to understand what people know about it and how it can better communicate. We have therefore agreed to distribute a survey, the link for which is shown below.

The survey is totally anonymous and will only take a couple of minutes to complete. It will be open until midnight on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February so if you can please find time to respond it will be very much appreciated.

Simply click on the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ALPTaware>

### **Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017**

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 equipment for the children to use, last year we were able to order new cooking equipment for the children's kitchen.

### **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. PLEASE ENSURE ALL ARREARS ARE PAID BY THE END OF THE TERM. Thank you to all those parents who pay promptly.

### **Residential Payments**

The final payment of £50 for Year 5 residential to **Ingleborough is due no later than 8<sup>th</sup> February please.**  
The final payment of £25 for the Year 3 residential to **Robinwood should now be paid in full (due date was 23<sup>rd</sup> January).**  
The 5th payment of £50 for the Year 6 residential to PGL France was due by 31<sup>st</sup> January.  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> payment of £25 for the Year 4 residential to **Malham is now overdue. (due date was 9<sup>th</sup> Jan)**  
Please send in any outstanding payments A.S.A.P. Thank you to those parents who have sent in their payments.

### **Assemblies**

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

<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Falcons</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>Herons</b>
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Doves</b>

## Forthcoming Dates

<b>2017</b>		
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup> February	Pupil Mentoring Week
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>SPRING HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS</b>
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Ingleborough Hall Parent's Information Meeting 6.00-6.45 pm
Monday	27 <sup>th</sup> February	Themed Week in school
Monday – Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 7pm
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 5pm
Friday and Saturday	10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Robinwood Residential
Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 SAT's Information Evening for Parents 6.00-6.45pm Y6 SAT's Information Evening for Parents 6.45-7.30pm
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Ingleborough Hall Residential
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Phonics meeting for Yr 1 parents 6.00-6.45pm
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Egg Competition – Whole School
Wednesday	29 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Cake Competition – KS2
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Malham Parent's Meeting 6pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES for the Easter Holidays at 3.15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR THE SUMMER TERM</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)

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

CLASS	ATTAINMENT	ATTITUDE
<b>ROBINS</b>	<b>Bea Fordyce, Violet Grahamslaw &amp; Neeve McCaul</b>	
<b>BLUEBIRDS</b>	<b>Orlaith Fielding</b>	<b>Oscar De Biase</b>
<b>EAGLES</b>	<b>Finnegan Roberts</b>	<b>James Ellerbeck</b>
<b>SKYLARKS</b>	<b>Isaac Dey</b>	<b>Ava Aspell &amp; Reuben Sykes-Williams</b>
<b>HERONS</b>	<b>William Stewart</b>	<b>Max Fernyhough</b>
<b>RED KITES</b>	<b>Jude Whetham</b>	<b>Esther Dooling &amp; Isla Duffey</b>
<b>WOODPECKERS</b>	<b>Evie Hodgson</b>	<b>Alex Gates</b>
<b>WRENS</b>	<b>Freddie Eccles &amp; Will Harvey</b>	
<b>FALCONS</b>	<b>Mia Tam</b>	<b>Emilia Purnell</b>
<b>PUFFINS</b>	<b>Sulayman Imran</b>	<b>Eva Schofield</b>
<b>KINGFISHERS</b>	<b>Jensen Lambert</b>	<b>Bella Gudgeon &amp; Dylan Thomas</b>
<b>DOVES</b>	<b>Daniel Bowden</b>	<b>Jack McNulty</b>
<b>Mrs Martin</b>	<b>Natasha Smith and Jacob Smith for 100% attendance and showing that they enjoy being part of Team Tranmere.</b>	

## 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 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017.

ROBINS	100%	WOODPECKERS	97.1%
BLUEBIRDS	96.8%	WRENS	99.7%
EAGLES	92.3%	FALCONS	98.1%
SKYLARKS	96.7%	PUFFINS	100%
HERONS	99.7%	KINGFISHERS	98.5%
RED KITES	97.5%	DOVES	96.7%

Well done Robins and Puffins!

## Extended Services

Please find attached to tonight's Tranmere Times the February Half Term programme for Airebrough Leisure Centre or visit their website at [www.leeds.gov.uk/aireborough](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/aireborough)

Please find attached to tonight's Tranmere Times a poster showing events taking place at Otley Courthouse during the February Half Term.

## P.T.A.



Save the date!!! We're going to run a Tranmere Park Race Night again on Friday 24th March in the hall, so book your babysitters! Admission will only be £2.50 each again, but we have a limit, so please find Marie Stout or Lizzie Worley in the playground or email [marie\\_stout@hotmail.com](mailto:marie_stout@hotmail.com) if you want tickets now. A letter will come out in book bags shortly with a form to fill in and return to school if you prefer to buy them that way. Any local businesses who would like to sponsor a race, please also get in touch. There will be chance to "buy" horses before the night and also have a flutter on our Tricast. Full details will be sent out soon.

These are the PTA dates and events for the rest of this academic year.

Monday 27th February - PTA Bake after school  
 Friday 24th March - Race Night 7:30pm  
 Monday 27th March - Disco (EYFS & KS1 3:15-4:30 and KS2 4:45-6:00)  
 Friday 28th April - Sponsored bouncy course (weather dependent)  
 Tuesday 16th May - TGT Dress Rehearsal 5:30-7pm  
 Wednesday 17th May - TGT Show 6:30-8pm  
 Saturday 1st July - Summer Fair  
 Monday 3rd July - Disco (EYFS & KS1 3:15-4:30 and KS2 4:45-6:00)

Kirsten Finley

Kirsten Finley  
Headteacher



INVESTORS IN PUPILS



NPQH Leadership Development School  
National College  
for School Leadership

