

# TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

### 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

We would like to wish all our families a happy half term holiday.

#### Driving around school and collecting children at the end of the day

We have had reports that a few parents are travelling down Ridge Close, turning at the top of the cul de sac and then travelling back up slowly to pick their children up by the pedestrian gate as they wait in the road. This is not only annoying for other traffic trying to use the road but is also a danger to the children. Please do not arrange to pick your children up from school in this way.

Could we also please remind parents to drive courteously around school. Although we ask our parents to following the one way system wherever possible we also need to be mindful that not all vehicles on the road are Tranmere parents following the system. We have had a few calls recently from local residents who have been upset by the comments/facial expressions of some of our parents whilst they have tried to access their houses travelling in the opposite direction.

#### Mr Raw

We say goodbye to Mr Raw who is retiring after 12 years at Tranmere. We thank him for his service and wish him a happy and healthy retirement. (Mrs Reeve is now dealing with dinner money enquiries.)

#### Yellow Handwriting Leaflet given out on school premises this afternoon

We have been made aware that two individuals were issuing Handwriting Leaflets out on the school premises at the end of the school day. This was not something that was organised via school and they did not have any permission to do this.

#### Harvest Festival – Thank You

We have received a thank you message from the Bradford North food bank. Our collection weighed 279.8kg which is worth £492 approx. This will provide 33 single food parcels or 14 family food parcels. Well done TEAM TRANMERE.

#### Tempest Photographs

The deadline to order photographs is **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. Please follow the order instructions on the form provided. Please ensure cheques are made payable to 'Tempest Photography'. Late orders cannot be accepted by school but may be placed with Tempest direct.

#### Poppy Appeal



The annual Poppy Appeal will start after half term – Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October and continue the following week. Once again, as well as the traditional poppies, the Royal British Legion have supplied school with a range of merchandise to sell.

Friendship Bracelet £1.00  
Slap Rulers £1.00  
Wristbands £0.50  
Poppy Reflectors £0.50  
Metal Poppy Brooches £2.00

Sales of poppies and the merchandise will take place at morning break alongside the fruit tuck shop. Please help support this very worthy cause.

## **OPEN DAYS**

Tranmere Park will be holding two open meetings for prospective parents in November. The first will take place on Tuesday **7th November at 9.30am**. The second will take place on **Thursday 9th November at 1.30pm**. Both meetings will last approximately an hour and a half.

## **Years 5/6 Drama Club**

There will be no Drama Club on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November due to Parents Evening. The last club will take place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

## **URGENT - Drop-off Zone**

We are looking to recruit new volunteers 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 please see Mr Winters or call in at the school office.

## **Parent Forum**

Our Parent Forum group has worked extremely well to feed a parent perspective into all aspects of School Development. We're looking for parents who can spare a couple of hours or so every half term. A forum meeting will take place half termly at 9.00am on a Thursday mornings in the staff room where ideas are discussed for continually improving Tranmere Park. Ideally we would like a couple of parents from each year group to join the parent's forum so we have a balance of views from Reception to Year 6. If you are interested please e-mail [victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk) expressing your interest or see Mrs Finley or Mrs Hodgson on the playground. Previous Parent Forum Representatives are welcome to re-apply! Thank you to those who have volunteered so far.

The first two dates have been scheduled for **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017** and **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 9am**.

### **Parent Forum Group** **Contact details**

| <b>Class</b> | <b>Parent</b>                    | <b>Child's name</b> | <b>Email addresses</b>   |
|--------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Robins       | 2 vacancies                      |                     |  |
| Bluebirds    | Louise Bates<br>1 vacancy        | Max                 | <a href="mailto:louisedean1@yahoo.co.uk">louisedean1@yahoo.co.uk</a>   |
| Eagles       | Alison Bull<br>1 vacancy         | Lexi                | <a href="mailto:alibull@btinternet.com">alibull@btinternet.com</a>   |
| Skylarks     | David Wright<br>1 vacancy        | Ben                 | <a href="mailto:d.s.wright@sky.com">d.s.wright@sky.com</a>   |
| Hérons       | 2 vacancies                      |                     |  |
| Red Kites    | 2 vacancies                      |                     |  |
| Woodpeckers  | Julie White<br>1 vacancy         | Isobel              | <a href="mailto:Juls_white@hotmail.co.uk">Juls_white@hotmail.co.uk</a>   |
| Wrens        | Sophie Morley<br>1 vacancy       | Will                | <a href="mailto:peterandsophiemorley@btinternet.com">peterandsophiemorley@btinternet.com</a>                                       |
| Falcons      | Jo Perkins<br>1 vacancy          | Ollie               | <a href="mailto:joperkinsresearch@gmail.com">joperkinsresearch@gmail.com</a>   |
| Puffins      | 2 vacancies                      |                     |  |
| Kingfishers  | Joanne Shepherd<br>Jackie Cooper | Ava<br>Roisin       | <a href="mailto:Jo.shepherd@yahoo.co.uk">Jo.shepherd@yahoo.co.uk</a><br><a href="mailto:jacky@spoooc.co.uk">jacky@spoooc.co.uk</a> |
| Doves        | 2 vacancies                      |                     |  |

## **Parent Volunteers**

If any parent would like to volunteer in school for a morning or afternoon session please collect an application form from the school office.

Parents need to commit for a 12 month period as there is a cost to school to complete a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Form. Any queries please see Mrs Sanderson or Mrs Gibson. Thank You.

# Important Information

## Residential

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| <b>Year 6 PGL</b>          | <b>October instalment of £65.00 now overdue</b>                              |
| <b>Year 5 Ingleborough</b> | <b>Deposit payment of £57.00 due by Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017</b> |
| <b>Year 4 Malham</b>       | <b>Deposit payment of £24.00 due by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>       |
| <b>Year 3 Malham</b>       | <b>Deposit payment of £29.00 due by Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017</b> |

## School Dinner Money

From September school meal prices have increased to £2.40 per meal £12.00 per week. Please be reminded that meals must be purchased for the full week ahead.

Dinner Money for Years 3-6 for the second half term of the academic year (Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December (37 days) is £88.80

## Assemblies

Parents are most welcome to attend their child's class assembly/drop-in session at **9.10am**.

|                           |             |          |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> November  | Woodpeckers | Assembly |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> November | Performance | Assembly |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> November | Wrens       | Drop-in  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> November | Skylarks    | Assembly |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> December  | Kingfishers | Drop-in  |

## Forthcoming Dates

|                |                                |   |
|----------------|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>2017</b>    |                                |   |
| <b>Friday</b>  | <b>20<sup>th</sup> October</b> | <b>SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm</b> |
| <b>Monday</b>  | <b>23<sup>rd</sup> October</b> | <b>AUTUMN HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>                 |
| <b>Monday</b>  | <b>30<sup>th</sup> October</b> | <b>TRAINING DAY</b>                                     |
| <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>31<sup>st</sup> October</b> | <b>EYFS TRAINING DAY</b>                                |
| <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>31<sup>st</sup> October</b> | <b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO YEARS 1 - 6</b>                   |
| Monday         | 6 <sup>th</sup> November       | Themed Week in School                                   |
| Tuesday        | 7 <sup>th</sup> November       | Open Day for Prospective Parents 9.30 am                |
| Thursday       | 9 <sup>th</sup> November       | Open Day for Prospective Parents 1.30 pm                |
| Tuesday        | 14 <sup>th</sup> November      | Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 7pm        |
| Thursday       | 16 <sup>th</sup> November      | Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 5pm        |

## Extended Services

### La Jolie Ronde French & Spanish Classes for Reception children starting after half term

Would you like your child to excel in languages? Our classes have been established at Tranmere Park for many years. French and Spanish classes take place each week for all ages. Our classes are small, children are taught in their year group. We follow the Award Winning La Jolie Ronde structured programme. If you have already replied to confirm you wish to receive a place for your child you will shortly receive confirmation, there is no need to re-register. For further information please contact Zoë Dooley on 0113 2500809/07946577545 [zoe@languagelearners.co.uk](mailto:zoe@languagelearners.co.uk). [www.languagelearners.co.uk](http://www.languagelearners.co.uk)

## 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)

| CLASS       | ATTAINMENT  | ATTITUDE<br>SELF MANAGER         |
|-------------|---|----------------------------------|
| ROBINS      | Freya Braybrook, Dylan Llewellyn-Richards & Monty Walker  |                                  |
| BLUEBIRDS   | Joseph Conway & Alex Owen   |                                  |
| EAGLES      | Lucas Reed & Samson Wright  |                                  |
| SKYLARKS    | Max Jones & Wes Knight  |                                  |
| HERONS      | Isaac Dey   | Fraser Kempton                   |
| RED KITES   | Frank Buckle  | Ava Bright                       |
| WOODPECKERS | Red Dickinson   | Oliver Casey                     |
| WRENS       | Lily Tomkinson  | Isabella Charnock                |
| FALCONS     | Harry Warman  | Will McDonnell                   |
| PUFFINS     | Louis Madden  | Lauren Papworth                  |
| KINGFISHERS | Roisin Cooper   | Harvey Crompton                  |
| DOVES       | Christopher Bradley & Oliver Houghton   | Magenta Bareham & Eleanor Barton |
| MRS MARTIN  | Mrs Martin gave a special mention to Dylan Horsman for always sitting sensibly in assembly and to Dylan Fernyhough for good behaviour and eating sensibly at lunchtime. |                                  |

## 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 16<sup>th</sup> – 20th October.

|           |       |             |       |
|-----------|-------|-------------|-------|
| ROBINS    | 95.0% | WOODPECKERS | 96.8% |
| BLUEBIRDS | 96.5% | WRENS       | 94.0% |
| EAGLES    | 92.7% | FALCONS     | 96.1% |
| SKYLARKS  | 98.0% | PUFFINS     | 99.3% |
| HERONS    | 90.7% | KINGFISHERS | 96.3% |
| RED KITES | 97.8% | DOVES       | 97.4% |

## P.T.A.

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Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017 - Bonfire Bake  
 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017 - EYFS/KS1 Movie Night 3.15pm – 4.45pm approx  
 Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017 - KS2 Movie Night 3.15pm – 4.45pm approx  
 Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017 - Christmas Fair 12.00pm – 2.30pm



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