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TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd November 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

Parents Consultation Evenings

Letters have gone home this week regarding parent/teacher consultations that will take place this term on **Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th November 2017**.

Last year we had really positive feedback on the use of an online booking system which we are going to use again this year. The process is hopefully self-explanatory but if you have any questions, just ask a member of the teaching staff. Please note that the school office are unable to book appointments for you but class teachers can help with any issues that might arise.

Cancelled Clubs due to Parent Consultations

There will be no Cross Country or Inspiration Tree Clubs on Tuesday 14th and no Drama Club or KS1 Soccer 5's Club on Thursday 16th November.

Safeguarding of children at the end of the school day

As a school the safety of our children is of the utmost importance and safeguarding procedures must be followed at all times. We would like to remind parents that if there is a change in arrangement for the collection of your child at the end of the day school must be informed. If you know of the change of arrangement in advance please pass a message to your child's class teacher. If there is a last minute change of arrangement please contact the school office as soon as possible in order that the message can be passed to the class teacher in good time. We are unable to let children leave the premises with another adult (even if the adult is well known to the child) without the prior permission of a parent.

Poppy Appeal



The annual Poppy Appeal will continue next 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 next week. 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.

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 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 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 23rd November 2017** and **Thursday 25th January 2018 at 9am.**

Parent Forum Group **Contact details**

Class	Parent	Child's name	Email addresses
Robins	2 vacancies		
Bluebirds	Louise Bates 1 vacancy	Max	louisedean1@yahoo.co.uk
Eagles	Alison Bull 1 vacancy	Lexi	alibull@btinternet.com
Skylarks	David Wright Sarah De Biase	Ben Oscar	d.s.wright@sky.com sarahteague22@gmail.com
Hérons	2 vacancies		
Red Kites	Liz Worley 1 vacancy	Lucy	liztomo@hotmail.com
Woodpeckers	Julie White 1 vacancy	Isobel	Juls_white@hotmail.co.uk
Wrens	Sophie Morley 1 vacancy	Will	peterandsophiemorley@btinternet.com
Falcons	Jo Perkins 1 vacancy	Ollie	joperkinsresearch@gmail.com
Puffins	2 vacancies		
Kingfishers	Joanne Shepherd Jackie Cooper	Ava Roisin	Jo.shepherd@yahoo.co.uk jacky@spoooc.co.uk
Doves	2 vacancies		



Gardening Club **Pumpkin success at last!**

We have planted pumpkins for the last few seasons but have never managed to grow one quite big enough to carve. This year the children were delighted to find that one of the pumpkins was big enough and they had great fun carving it on Tuesday lunchtime ready for Halloween.

Children in Need 2016 – Friday 17th November

We will be supporting the Children in Need Appeal again this year. The theme this year is 'Spots', children can come to school dressed in spotty clothing or a Pudsey Bear themed outfit in return for a donation to the Children in Need Appeal. Please see the Children in Need website for ideas.



Important Information

Residentials

Year 6 PGL	October instalment of £65.00 now overdue – Next payment due by 6 th November
Year 5 Ingleborough	Deposit of £57.00 required by Monday 6 th November to secure a place
Year 3 Malham	Deposit of £29.00 required by Monday 6 th November to secure a place

School Dinner Money

Meal prices are £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 31st October to Wednesday 20th December (37 days) is £88.80

Assemblies

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

10 th November	Performance	Assembly
17 th November	Wrens	Drop-in
24 th November	Skylarks	Assembly
1 st December	Kingfishers	Drop-in

Forthcoming Dates

2017		
Monday	6 th November	Themed Week in School
Tuesday	7 th November	Open Day for Prospective Parents 9.30 am
Thursday	9 th November	Open Day for Prospective Parents 1.30 pm
Tuesday	14 th November	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 7pm
Thursday	16 th November	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 5pm
Saturday	2 nd December	PTA Christmas Fair – 12.00-2.30 pm
Monday	4 th December	Y3/4 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45 am
Tuesday	5 th December	Y3/4 Christmas Concert – 1.45pm
Wednesday	6 th December	EYFS Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45am (in school) Y3/4 Christmas Concert – 1.45pm
Thursday	7 th December	EYFS Christmas Concert 1.45pm
Monday	11 th December	Y5/6 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.30am (in school)
Tuesday	12 th December	KS1 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45am EYFS Christmas Party in School after lunch
Wednesday	13 th December	Y5/6 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45am (in church) KS1 Christmas Concert 1.45pm Year 5/6 Christmas Concert 6pm St Oswald's Church TBC
Thursday	14 th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday	15 th December	KS1 Christmas Party in school
Monday	18 th December	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party in school after lunch
Tuesday	19 th December	Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party in school after lunch
Wednesday	20 th December	Christmas Panto 9.30 am
Wednesday	20th December	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm

Extended Services

The Extended Services programme for Autumn 2 is attached to tonight's Tranmere Times.

Hardisty & Co. Design a Christmas Card Art Competition

Hardisty are running their Christmas Art Competition again this year with a prize of £200 for school and a deluxe art set for the winning artist. We would be delighted if as many pupils as possible entered the competition. Entry forms can be collected from the school office. Completed entry forms must be returned to the school office by Thursday 16th November.

Family Fun

The Manor House are holding a family fun day on Saturday 11th November 2pm – 4pm. Please see the attached poster for further details.



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

During the half term holiday Anna Owen (Doves) had her hair cut and donated it to The Princess Trust. She has donated 8-9 inches of hair and raised over £300 in donations to the charity by doing so. The charity makes wigs for children who need them, whether it be through cancer treatment or alopecia. Anna's donation of 8-9 inches isn't enough to make a complete wig with but it will be used to blend with other donations or similar colour and texture to make a wig. What a wonderful thing to do Anna!

Also we would like to say well done to Harry Warman (Falcons) who wrote a letter to Aquila magazine during the summer holidays and his letter and reply have been printed in this month's edition.

CLASS	ATTAINMENT	ATTITUDE EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATOR
ROBINS	Olivia Dey	Mia Rawson
BLUEBIRDS	Emily Tam	Jack Gordon
EAGLES	Jack Bright & Thomas Walters	
SKYLARKS	Orlaith Fielding	Noah Henderson
HERONS	Heidi Gill	George Lynes
RED KITES	Lara Greenwood	Alex Farrar
WOODPECKERS	Chloe Tat	Isabelle Smith
WRENS	Cameron Atkinson	Charlotte Barton
FALCONS	Grace Wareing	Evie Fawcett
PUFFINS	Jessica Berry-Mullen & Casper Brookfield	
KINGFISHERS	Evie Bowman	Alex Dunn
DOVES	Jonathan Cole	Georgie Bottomley
MRS MARTIN	Mrs Martin gave a special mention to James Ellerbeck and Owen Leighton for always being friendly and polite.	

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 31st October – 3rd November.

ROBINS	100%	WOODPECKERS	98.8%
BLUEBIRDS	100%	WRENS	97.5%
EAGLES	99.6%	FALCONS	95.2%
SKYLARKS	97.5%	PUFFINS	99.2%

HERONS	100%	KINGFISHERS	98.4%
RED KITES	98.4%	DOVES	96.3%

Well done to Robins, Bluebirds and Herons!

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Christmas cards

You should all have received a copy of your child's Christmas card and order form. We hope you like them! All order forms must be back in school for **Friday 10th November** so you have them back in plenty of time for Christmas. Please note orders will not be placed without payment. Any queries contact Beth Bradley on 07966 473203 or email brbradley@icloud.com. Thanks.

Forthcoming Dates

Monday 6th November 2017 - Bonfire Bake



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

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