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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

Parent Market Place Event

Parents are invited to an Open Market Place Event on **Wednesday**, **7**th **February**, **2018** after school in the hall from 3.15-4.00pm. This is an opportunity for parents to talk to subject lead teachers about the various curriculum subjects taught in school (Maths, English, History, Geography, PE, ICT, Science, RE, French etc) and the developments planned in each area this year. We hope to see you there.

Drop Off Zone

We have had some concerns raised at Parent Forum about the drop-off system in the morning and therefore we would like to remind parents of the system.

The 'Drop Off Zone' before school was started to alleviate the volume of cars trying to park. The zone works by cars dropping children off and then leaving immediately. Dropped off children will be supervised **into** the school playground by a rota of volunteer staff and parents. Children will then stay in the KS2 playground until the teacher on duty arrives at 8.50 am. Please note: 'Dropped off' children will be safely seen into school but we will not be able to supervise them on the playground until 8.50 am. The drop off zone will be the Ridgeway entrance area at the top of the steps marked on the Map 1 accompanying this letter. This system relies entirely on the goodwill of all parents to refrain from parking in the 'drop off zone' and the operation of a one way 'loop' of traffic with all traffic approaching the school down Ridgeway with school on the left – see Map 2. The 'drop off zone' will be staffed from 8.40am until 8.50am when the whistle is blown.

The drop off system was not intended to be used for unaccompanied Reception and KS1 children. It's for those children who are capable of getting themselves independently out of the car and whose parents have made the decision that they can look after themselves once inside the gate; there is no supervision or responsibility from school until the whistle is blown at 8.50am.

<u>Leeds City Council – School Gate Parking Enforcement Vehicle Update</u>

We have received an update below in regards to the parking enforcement vehicle which has been tasked with trying to deal with inconsiderate and dangerous parking in and around schools.

'As a parent you will be aware of the issues surrounding school gate parking. Parking illegally or inconsiderately not only causes inconvenience to local residents and undermines the school's efforts to be a good neighbour, but it also creates a major road safety issue, causing danger to our children and pedestrians crossing roads.

In a bid to combat illegal and dangerous parking near our school, we have been working with Leeds City Council's Uniformed Patrol Officers and the new parking enforcement vehicle to identify dangerous and inappropriate parking. The vehicle uses camera / video footage which is then verified by officials to identify where a parking offence has been committed. Fines are then issued.

Data from the Autumn term (September to December) shows that the mobile enforcement vehicle made **190** visits to **52** different schools and issued **111** penalty charge notices. Uniformed officers, who patrol on foot, made **772** visits to **41** different schools and issued **177** penalty charge notices.

These results highlight the shocking and persistent problem of inappropriate and dangerous parking outside schools at the beginning and end of the school day.

It sounds obvious, but if you really do need to drive for the school drop off or pick up, then please show some consideration for the safety and wellbeing of others. Don't park on double yellow lines or school "keep clear" markings, on pedestrian crossings or where a school crossing patrol officer operates. Don't block driveways, junctions, or cause an obstruction to pupils and other pedestrians who are trying to cross roads. Rather than battle to find a space right outside the school gates or in the car park, it is probably far easier to park slightly further away and walk the last 5 minutes. You may well find that this is quicker, easier and far less stressful.

By parking in a legal and considerate manner, you will help to reduce congestion and pollution, improve road safety for pedestrians needing to cross and improve the relationship of the school with its neighbours.' Leeds City Council

Letter from West Yorkshire Police

We have been asked to circulate a letter from West Yorkshire Police regarding the large number of children that are being reported missing every week in the Leeds area. We have attached the letter to tonight's Tranmere Times.

Important Information

Residentials Payments

Year 6 PGL	£55.00 due by the 5 th February
Year 5 Ingleborough	£55.00 due by the 29 th January *now overdue*
Year 3 Malham	£30.00 due by 12 th January *now overdue*
Year 4 Malham	£25.00 due by 9 th February

Assemblies

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

9 th February	Falcons	Assembly
2 nd March	Kingfishers	Assembly
9 th March	Doves	Drop-In
16 th March	Herons	Assembly
23 rd March	Skylarks	Drop-In

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 Thursday 4th January to Friday 9th February (27 days) is £64.80

Forthcoming Dates

2018		
Monday	5 th February	Pupil Mentoring Week
Friday	9 th February	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm
Monday	12 th February	SPRING HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday	19 th February	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
Monday	26 th February	Themed Week in school
Friday – Thursday	2 nd – 8 th March	Book Fair
Tuesday	6 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 7pm
Wednesday	7 th March	Year 4 Malham Parent's Meeting 6pm
Thursday	8 th March	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening 3.30pm – 5pm
Monday - Friday	12 th – 16 th March	Year 5 Ingleborough Hall Residential
Wednesday	14 th March	Y2 SAT's Information Evening for Parents 6.00-6.45pm
		Y6 SAT's Information Evening for Parents 6.45-7.30pm
Thursday	22 nd March	Phonics meeting for Yr 1 parents 6.00-6.45pm
Monday	26 th March	Easter Egg Competition – Whole School
Tuesday	27 th March	Easter Cake Competition – KS2
Thursday	29 th March	SCHOOL CLOSES for the Easter Holidays at 3.15pm
Monday	16 th April	SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR THE SUMMER TERM

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 29th January to 2nd February.

ROBINS	96.4%	WOODPECKERS	97.5%
BLUEBIRDS	97.9%	WRENS	97.2%
EAGLES	96.9%	FALCONS	97.2%
SKYLARKS	97.0%	PUFFINS	97.6%
HERONS	97.7%	KINGFISHERS	97.3%
RED KITES	98.9%	DOVES	96.1%



Special Mention



On Thursday morning we hold a Special Mention Assembly to celebrate achievements within school. If your child has achieved something <u>really special</u> outside of school we would be pleased to announce this on Tranmere Times. Please e-mail Mrs Reeve on <u>victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk</u>

CLASS	ATTAINMENT	INDEPENDENT ENQUIRER	
ROBINS	Freya Braybrook	Mia Rawson	
BLUEBIRDS	Max Bates	William Lockwood	
EAGLES	Sophie Tat	Jack Dale	
SKYLARKS	Nancy Marshment	Lucas Scott	
HERONS	Quinn Abbott	Edward Carey	
RED KITES	Red Kites were not in assembly on Thursday as they were on a school outing to the Bradford Media Museum. Mr Housden would like to give a special mention to all Year 3 for the excellent behaviour throughout the trip.		
WOODPECKERS	Grace Garnett	Isabel Bates	
WRENS	Esther Dooling	Annabel Manis	
FALCONS	Haris Hussain	Evan Williams	
PUFFINS	Jackson Kelly	Sam Spark	
KINGFISHERS	Leo Fielding	Oscar Joslin	
DOVES	Annabel Nightingale	Leo Johnson	
MRS MARTIN	Mrs Martin gave a special mention to Oliver Goodison and Lewis Hawksworth for being part of Team Tranmere and showing extra care for a friend.		

Extended Services

Please find attached the Winter edition of Aireborough Childrens Services newsletter, aimed at local parents. Also attached is a flyer for their Take 3 parenting course. This course is aimed at parents of 10-18 year olds to help with the challenges of parenting older children.

Please find attached a poster giving details of Badminton Coaching available to Years 5 & 6 at Aireborough Leisure Centre.



Stately Holmes, the world-famous Maths Detective, and his friends (including Professor Poopenshtinken!) are coming back to Tranmere Park Primary.

Magical Maths is a fun after school maths club which will run every Monday for 6 weeks from 19th February. This club is for KS2 children ONLY and contains all NEW and EXCITING activities for both returning and first-time children. For more information and to book your child a place, please go to:

www.magicalmathsdetective.com

or call

0113 834 3949

This is maths.....but not as you know it!!!

P.T.A.

Glow Disco

Thank you very much to everyone for supporting the glow disco, we had a great turn out and managed to raise £580, we hope the children enjoyed it. A huge thank you to the staff and parents who helped run it, we hope everyone has stopped glowing!

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