





TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER Friday 27th April 2018

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

Yr 6 PGL Residential to France Parent Information Evening

The PGL Parent Information evening will take place on **Wednesday 2nd May at 6pm** in Kingfishers classroom (please enter via the side gate and proceed into school via Kingfishers classroom door). PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD'S PASSPORT AND EHIC CARDS to the meeting as we need to take a copy of them. If you are unable to attend the meeting please bring these documents to the school office to allow us to take a copy a.s.a.p.

Inconsiderate and dangerous parking

Despite last weeks' notice about inconsiderate parking around school we have received the following photographs and a number of comments from concerned parents and residents this week re dangerous parking.



PLEASE REMEMBER THAT RIDGE CLOSE IS A 'RED ROUTE' PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON RIDGE CLOSE, ESPECIALLY ON OR OPPOSITE THE YELLOW ZIG-ZAG LINES.

As previously notified we have had '3 near miss' traffic incidents in or around this area and after taking police advice on this issue it was decided to designate Ridge Close a 'red route'. A 'red route' is a designated route to enable emergency vehicles to attend if necessary. Currently it would be very difficult for an ambulance/fire engine to attend school at the start or end of the school day due to the sheer volume of traffic arriving/parking/leaving. We would therefore ask that parents/carers do not use Ridge Close for parking/dropping off and park elsewhere on the estate and walk the last leg of the journey to school. This relies entirely on the goodwill of all parents to refrain from parking in this area and we would politely ask for your co-operation in this matter.

Please read the following statement issued by Leeds City Council.

'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.

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.

Polite request

Can parents please ensure your child brings all equipment, homework, lunch boxes, water bottles, swimming/book bags, caps, sports kits etc. with them at the <u>start of the school day</u> as we are experiencing an increased number of parents returning to school with items that have been left at home. Please also remind your child of any clubs they are attending on the day. This will reduce the number of interruptions to the class learning environment on a daily basis and limit the number of times the gate is opened when school is in session. We wish to ensure we maximise the safety of all pupils during school hours.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Cross Country

Any Year 2 children interested in joining the Cross Country team for the next academic year are welcome to join the training sessions after the May Bank holiday on Tuesdays at 3.15pm for a trial.

Art Project

We are taking part in ASLP Art Exhibition on 19th and 20th June. (More information to follow). The theme is re cycling and we will be needing lots of recyclable materials (plenty of plastic – other materials welcome!) in many different colours (we have so far received lots of brown, white and clear recyclables but could really do with more colours if possible) to create our works of art! Please send your recyclable materials in to school (to your child's classroom) ASAP.

Many thanks, Mrs Savage and Mrs Holland.

Holiday Club

Very limited places still available on the following days: Week One - Friday only Week Two - Tuesday to Friday Week Three – Monday and Friday

A detailed letter and application form is available on the school website. www.tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk

Re: On-line payments

School has received the following information from Tucasi – our software provider for on-line payments for school lunches and residential visits.

'Please be advised that from **30 April 2018** any users of Microsoft Windows XP or Microsoft Vista will no longer be able to make payments via the Tucasi Online Payments System which are processed by WorldPay. Unfortunately, users of these operating system may have to upgrade their systems to be able to make online payments from the 30th of April 2018.

Why is this happening?

This change is being enforced by the PCI DSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard). From the 30th June 2018, all websites that accept card payments will no longer allow users of Windows XP and Windows Vista to use their websites. WorldPay are implementing this change on 30th April 2018.

What is the impact?

While you will be able to access Tucasi SCO, view the content and perform tasks in the normal way, you will receive an error message and payments will fail to process if you attempt to pay online.

Please be aware this is outside the School's control and we apologise for inconvenience that this may cause. Unfortunately, we will be unable to assist with making payments online using Windows XP & Vista following the 30th April 2018.'

Healthy Snacks/Fruit Tuck

Just a reminder that healthy snacks are available at morning break – yoghurts, cheeses, raisins, cucumber and seasonal fruits – 30p per portion. At the moment this is very popular with Reception and Key Stage One children and we are trying to promote this to Key Stage Two children. (Please note Reception and Key Stage One children still receive a free piece of

fruit as per Government free fruit scheme). Children can bring their own piece of fruit from home but we do not allow cereal bars/winders.

Reading Information Evening

We will be holding an information evening for parents for children in KS1 to explain how we teach reading in our school. Parents can find out more about strategies to help their child with reading at home, as well as find out more about reading in class. The meeting for KS1 takes place on **Tuesday 8th May** at 6pm and will finish at 6.45pm.

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant Vacancy

We are looking to recruit an additional 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

Residentials Payments

Year 6 PGL	£55.00 final payment due by 16 th April *now overdue*	
Year 3 Malham	£30.00 final payment due by 20 th April	

Assemblies

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

Please note that Wrens assembly has been put back a week due to their residential taking place the week before.

11 th May	Wrens	Assembly *Change of date*
18 th May	Yr 6 SATs Week	None
25 th May	Woodpeckers	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 Monday 16th April to Friday 25th May (29 days) is £69.60 **Amount for children attending residential**

Year 4 children attending the Malham residential 1st & 2nd May (-2 days) £64.80

Year 5 children who attended Ingleborough and have not already deducted 5 days (-5 days) (£57.60)

Forthcoming Dates

Tuesday	1 st May	Year 4 Malham 2 Day Residential
Wednesday	2 nd May	PGL Parent's Information Evening 6-6.45pm
Monday	7 th May	MAY DAY (BANK HOLIDAY) - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday	8 th May	SCHOOL RE-OPENS
Wednesday	9 th May	Y3 Malham Residential Meeting for Parents 6pm
Monday	14 th May	KS2 SATS all week (please do not book holidays during this week)
Monday	21 st May	Pupil Mentoring Week
		Book Aid Week (book stall in school)
Thursday	24 th May	Sports Day – EYFS/KS1 9.30-11.30am
		KS2 1.30-3.00pm
Friday	25 th May	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR THE HALF TERM HOLIDAYS AT 3.15 PM
Monday	4 th June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR SUMMER 2 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 23^{rd} April – 27^{th} April 2018.

ROBINS	100%	WOODPECKERS	96.1%
BLUEBIRDS	99.1%	WRENS	99.7%
EAGLES	98.7%	FALCONS	95.2%
SKYLARKS	97.0%	PUFFINS	96.0%
HERONS	99.3%	KINGFISHERS	100%
RED KITES	100%	DOVES	95.3%

Well done Robins, Red Kites and Kingfishers!

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	REFLECTIVE LEANER	
ROBINS	Joshua Moss	Zoe Butterworth	
BLUEBIRDS	Jessica Cooke & Harvey Lawson	Lottie Cobb	
EAGLES	Eric Tallon-Li	Lucas Reed	
SKYLARKS	Max Jones	Evie Pan	
HERONS	Heidi Gill	Natasha Smith	
RED KITES	Lucy Worley	Oliver Lovedale	
WOODPECKERS	Hugo Hayes	Isabel Bates	
WRENS	Ciara Laven	Abby Clay	
FALCONS	Evie Gallant-Lester	Dylan Chestnutt	
PUFFINS	Libby Dickinson	Oliver Goodison	
KINGFISHERS	Oscar Joslin	James Piotrowski	
DOVES	Jasmine Moore	Alex Lawson	
MRS MARTIN	Mrs Martin gave a special mention to Lexi Bull for 100% attendance and Amy Atkinson for always looking smart.		

Extended Services

Please be advised that the clubs/events shown on our newsletter are for information only and school does not endorse and is not responsible for any content on the websites listed. Anyone looking to join a club and take part in activities MUST make their own appropriate background checks to ensure provision is safe and of the relevant quality to meet their needs. All clubs offering activities for infants and juniors should have in place child protection and welfare policies, which protect children and promote a safe and friendly club environment. Parents should check which child protection measures are in place when deciding which club/group they would like their child to join.

The winners of the Aireborough Learning Partnership Trust 100% attendance in March are:

Thomas Marquand – A family ticket to a Guiseley Football Club game Samual Harrison – Multi-store gift card Oliver Haywood – A free game at Hollywood Bowl Olivia Turner – Asda gift card Ellie Platts – A voucher to paint pottery at Create Jacob Smith – JumpArena gift card



Thursday 24th MAY 2018 - 6pm

Well it's that time of the year again where we get our very talented pupils to showcase their hidden talents and get on stage and perform to you all.

This year's TGT is again being held at Guiseley Theatre on Thursday 24th May 6pm and tickets will be on sale after school outside the front entrance on **Friday 4th May at 3.15pm**. Tickets sell out quickly. If you are unable to be there on this date, we do accept requests via book bags. Please send in the request stating how many either stall or balcony tickets are required and include the appropriate payment.

Tickets are priced at £6 for stalls and £7.00 for balcony seats - please note: children are not allowed on the front row of the balcony (by order of the theatre not the PTA)

We have a whole host of different acts this year which are sure to keep you entertained. Each ticket comes with a voting token (supplied on the night) for you to choose your winner.

The kids are busy practicing their acts. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thanks

The PTA

We are proud to be an Active School and a Sainsbury's School Games - Gold Mark recipient. For more information go

to: <u>www.yourschoolgames.com</u> or <u>www.leedsnorthwestssp.org</u>

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