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# TRANMERE TIMES NEWSLETTER

## Friday 23rd November 2018

### General School Information/Dates

We have enjoyed an exceptionally busy time in school this week. Both Early Years Foundation Stage and lower Key Stage 2 have been very busy in the outside area with their 'Muddy Puddle' days. Even though the weather has been less than perfect this week it was fantastic to see all of the children getting stuck in and having a great time. I saw children making paint from natural resources such as fruit, making memory necklaces from resources found in the grounds, collaborative games and even a drumming workshop! The buzz around the school site was really noticeable and demonstrates to us just how valuable these experiences are for our pupils. Look out for more 'Muddy Puddle' days throughout the year.

We also have some important news to share with you all this week. Mr Joynson has made the decision that the time is right for him to move on from Tranmere Park and will therefore be leaving us at Christmas. Whilst this is sad news for us all at Tranmere, we are happy for Mr Joynson and know that he is excited about the new adventures ahead at his new school. Mr Joynson has been an integral part of Team Tranmere for over ten years and we owe him so much. We will miss his hard work, dedication to the school and the children and all of the many laughs along the way! I'm sure that you will all join us in wishing Mr J all the very best for the future and thanking him for his time with us. We are currently in the process of recruiting a new teacher to join our team and we will let you know as soon as we have made an appointment.

I also wish to let you know that Mrs Sanderson will be making the move from her current role as the School Business Manager for school to a new business manager role within the Noctua teaching school after Christmas. Again, Mrs Sanderson is very much looking forward to the fresh challenge associated with her new role and we all wish her the very best. Mrs Sanderson transferring to the teaching school will of course mean that we will be recruiting for a new School Business Manager. We will, once again, keep you informed when we have made an appointment. Like Mr J, Mrs Sanderson has been a huge part of the successful running of the school and we all wish to thank her for her hard work and commitment over many years. However! She is not leaving us completely and I am sure that she will continue to be a regular presence around school through her new role for Noctua. I'm sure you join us in wishing her every success for the future.

Mrs Hodgson

#### **Children starting school in September 2019**

If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015 you can now apply for a Reception place to start school in September 2019. Parents/ carers have until the **15th January 2019** to complete their applications and should apply using the online system and will be informed of their school offer via email on national offer day, Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

Please visit the website <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-places/admissions-primary-schools> for further information.

In addition please email Mrs Reeve at [victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:victoriareeve@tranmerepark.leeds.sch.uk) to enable school to ensure all younger siblings of children attending this school are on the allocation list when it is first issued to school in April 2019.

### **Tempest Photographs**

The deadline to order photographs was today. Late orders cannot be accepted by school but may be placed with Tempest direct.

## **Important Information**

### **School Dinner Money**

School meal prices are £2.40 per meal £12.00 per week. Please be reminded that meals must be purchased for the full week ahead.

Payment for this half term Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December (34 days)

Years 3-6. Year 3 & 4 had a school trip last half term so deduct one day 33 days x £2.40 = £79.20

Year 5 & 6

34 days x £2.40 = £81.60

### **Residential Payments**

Year 6 PGL Residential to France 2019. The November payment of £50.00 is now overdue.

Year 5 Ingleborough Hall Residential. The Deposit of £85.00 is now due.

### **Assemblies**

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

30 <sup>th</sup> November	Woodpeckers	Assembly
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### **Forthcoming Dates**

Monday	3rd December	Y3/4 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45 am
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3/4 Christmas Concert – 1.45pm
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Dress Rehearsal 9.45am (Christmas Concert) Y3/4 Christmas Concert – 1.45pm
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Christmas Concert 1.45pm
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Fair 12.00-2.30pm
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5/6 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.30am (in school)
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Dress Rehearsal Christmas Concert 9.45am
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5/6 Dress Rehearsal (Christmas Concert) 9.45am (In church, no audience) Year 5/6 Christmas Concert 6pm St Oswald's Church
Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Concert 1.45pm
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Lunch
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Christmas Party in school after lunch
Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Party in school after lunch
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3/4 Christmas Party in school after lunch
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup> December	PTA Christmas Panto am – Sleeping Beauty Y5/6 Christmas Party in school after lunch
<b>Friday</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS at 3.15pm</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 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018.

ROBINS	100%	WOODPECKERS	94.6%
BLUEBIRDS	86.7%	WRENS	99.4%
EAGLES	99.0%	FALCONS	97.9%
SKYLARKS	98.0%	PUFFINS	97.0%
HERONS	96.8%	KINGFISHERS	98.7%
RED KITES	99.3%	DOVES	99.7%

Well done Robins!



## 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	LEARNING BEHAVIOUR
ROBINS	Sophia Super maths	Thomas Enjoying taking part in Muddy Puddle day
BLUEBIRDS	Lily-Rose Fabulous phonics	Leo Only started yesterday but already part of Team Tranmere
EAGLES	Mia A maths whizz	Edward Tries hard at everything and has settled really well
SKYLARKS	Isabella Super attitude to her work	Lucas Super writing
HERONS	Jack Achievement in art	Bea Joining in more and being herself
RED KITES	Lucas Improved in his writing	George Super learning behaviours
WOODPECKERS	Sophie Getting her pen licence	Bruce Good singing
WRENS	Rebecca For everything she does	Flora Always does the right thing and very helpful
FALCONS	Esther Super homework again about our space topic	Evie Always focused on her learning and helps others when they need help
PUFFINS	Isobel Trying hard, especially in maths	Seth Joining in more and excellent behaviour
KINGFISHERS	Harry Space homework	Evan Mature attitude and always anticipating
DOVES	Ava, Evie, Jessica & Alex Super space homework	Sam Fantastic attitude and always with a smile
MRS MARTIN	Mrs Martin gave a Special Mention to Charlie (Herons) for super manners and Darcey (Puffins) for super manners and for always smiling. Also to Evie (Kingfishers) for helping EYFS and Reeve (Kingfishers) and Lewis (Doves) for showing good behaviour to others.	

# P.T.A.

**Tranmere Park P.T.A have a Facebook Page. Please search for the group on facebook and JOIN the group to be kept up to date with all the latest news from your P.T.A.**

A big thank you to everyone who bought Christmas cards and gifts helping us raise £438 towards P.T.A funds.

Paper plates have been sent home this week and we would like all the children to decorate a plate with a Christmas theme. All the plates will be strung together to make Christmas bunting. There will be prizes!

## **Friday 30th November – Non-uniform day**

Next Friday is non-uniform day in exchange for a prize for the Christmas Fair tombola. (bottles, chocolates, biscuits, toiletries etc.)



EYFS and KS1 Movie Night 3.15pm - 5pm **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
**ARTHUR CHRISTMAS**

KS2 Movie Night 3.15pm - 5pm **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
**HOME ALONE** (Please note this is a PG rating.)

**COST £3.00 per child**

### **PTA Movie Nights Collection Arrangements**

- Please access school via the side gate
- **EYFS** - Please come into the rear door of the Hall to collect children (next to Eagles classroom)
  - **KS1** - to be collected from their classrooms
  - **(Siblings will go together to the eldest child's class)**
- **KS2** - Please collect from the Hall

**Please come along and support our stall at the Guiseley Christmas Market this Sunday**



### **Gift Grotto – Friday 1st December**

“Don’t let your child miss out when the elves come to collect them for their magical Grotto experience!”

Father Christmas is coming early to Tranmere Park! The PTA Elves will be running a Gift Grotto on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** where children can buy a surprise gift for mums, dads, grandmas, grandads – or any other important grown-ups! **All orders need to be received by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** in order for the elves to get the gifts ready. “Don’t let your child miss out when the elves come to collect them for their



magical Grotto experience!"

Please make cheques payable to Tranmere Park PTA and mark envelopes Gift Grotto. Thank you for your continued support.

**TRANMERE PARK PTA PRESENTS**  
**A VERY TRANMERE**  
**CHRISTMAS**

**ALL YOUR CHRISTMAS FAVOURITES**

**RAFFLE ~ TOMBOLAS ~ CRAFT ~  
~ SANTA ~ SNOW GLOBE - JOLLY  
JARS ~ CAKES ~ G & T ~ PROSECCO  
TURKEY SANDWICHES ~ GAMES ~  
PRIZES AND SO MUCH MORE ...**

**SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER**

**12PM - 2.30PM**

**STEP INSIDE THE CHRISTMAS SNOW GLOBE**

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