

# Triangle Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

'Learning, Excellence, Respect'

1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

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### Feeling Festive on Friday!

The PTFA's wreath making evening went really well last Friday, with all participants leaving with a fantastically festive decoration.

Thank you to the organisers and foragers – there may be a few evergreen bushes looking a bit sparse in the area!

### Parental Questionnaires

Thank you very much to those of you who have taken the time to send back completed questionnaires within the time frame. I have put a summary of the results at the end of this newsletter. The results are very

positive. It is very satisfying to know that

100% of the replies said that they would recommend the school to others – please keep doing that – especially with families who have a child due to begin school next September. Another highlight for me was that every response from a parent who has a child with SEND agreed that school gives their child the support they need.

There were also some very touching comments from some people as well as things individuals would like the school to work harder on. I have read each one with interest and we will of course take people's views and comments into consideration.

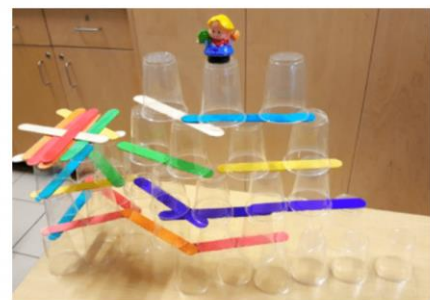
### 'STEM Challenge Club' Opportunity for Juniors

We are very keen to further enrich the opportunities we can give to children here at Triangle. One such opportunity is to begin a STEM Challenge Club after Christmas. STEM covers Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. I have sourced a company that will provide all the materials, instructions, guidance and resources and Mrs Munro has said that she will be happy to run the club. Children would create something each week to bring home that involved overcoming challenges. It would be after school on a Monday for children in Classes 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The club would come at a cost of between £5 and £6 per child per week, so before I commit to purchasing the materials I am seeing if there is enough interest. If you would like your child to be on the list for STEM Challenge Club in the new year, please use the form at the end of this newsletter or send the same info via email to the school office.



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### Calderdale Cross Country Success

This week a good number of our juniors competed in the Calderdale Cross Country Finals. They had earned the right to do so by doing well at the Sowerby Bridge event. Our children were running against the cream of the Borough, but each and every one did so to the best of their ability. Amongst the highlights of Team Triangle's performances, were 3 children who all managed to finish in the top three. A fantastic achievement.



### PTFA Christmas Fair – See You There!

As I hope you all know, the PTFA Christmas Fair is this evening. Doors open at 5pm and we hope lots of you will make the effort to join us. There are stalls, games, refreshments, crafts and much more. We hope that you are all on the good list as – if you are – Father Christmas may be joining us too! We will also draw the raffle at about 6.45, so there's still time to enter. Please remember that all stalls will be cash only. If you arrive slightly earlier than 5pm please gather in the playground, avoiding any slippy and icy areas. See you all there!

### Christmas Post Box

The school's Christmas Post Box will be put in the pupil entrance from next week. Children are invited to use it to send cards to friends, classmates and staff. Envelopes need to be clearly labelled with the recipient's name and their class. Thank you.



### Christmas Party Menus

As I hope you are aware, there will be party afternoons organised for the children. As a reminder, Infants will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup>, Class 3 & 4 on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Class 5 & 6 on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>. On those days, it is great if as many children as possible order a school dinner. This is a selection of party food that the kitchen provides. Please consider ordering a school dinner on the day of your child's party afternoon.

### Class Photos

We were lucky to have a fine day on Wednesday so we could take our class photos outdoors this year. If you would like to view and purchase a photo of your child's class, please click on the Happy Snapz website and use the class code/s below to access the pictures. Please note it is a different code for each class. [www.happysnapz.co.uk](http://www.happysnapz.co.uk)

Reception	12U 8HG AA3
Class 1	30K PBT Q77
Class 2	510 OPB 83B
Class 3	71L N9W XFF
Class 4	92A 9N3 5NK
Class 5	30L QFF 5M2
Class 6	108 FDF VCT

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**This week's Achievement goes to .....**

**Stars of the Week:**

**Class R:** Scarlet M  
**Class 4:** Jacob

**Class 2:** Ava  
**Class 5:** Summer

**Class 3:** Violet, Alexander



**Writers of the Week:**

**Class R:** Sunny  
**Class 3:** Nyla  
**Class 6:** Harrison, Lacey

**Class 1:** Aretha  
**Class 4:** Holly

**Class 2:** Erin  
**Class 5:** Casey



**Events for the week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023:**

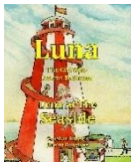
**Monday:** Last Karate Club for the year  
Reception parents in for a story and Stay & Play  
**Thursday:** Class 2 Library trip  
Governors' Meeting

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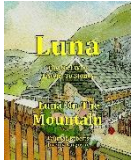
**“Luna The Girl Who Listens To Stones” by Vaughan Roberts & Jeremy Burgoyne**

Vaughan and Jeremy are retired teachers; Vaughan is a volunteer at Triangle, Jeremy is the husband of teaching assistant Frances Burgoyne. Together they are creating a series of illustrated stories for children.

Vaughan is the writer, Jeremy the illustrator. The first two stories are published and now available:



**“Luna At The Seaside” £6.99 (plus p&p) but to Triangle families ..... £5.99**



**“Luna On The Mountain” £6.99 (plus p&p) but to Triangle families ..... £5.99**

**Dual content book of both titles £9.99 (plus p&p) but to Triangle families ..... £7.99**

The stories are written for children aged seven years to ten years but will be enjoyed by people of all ages. They are designed especially for adults to read to children, particularly as bedtime/calming down stories.

The “Luna” books are available from Amazon at the above prices (plus p&p of around £2.50 / £3.00).

Vaughan and Jeremy are happy to offer their books for sale to Triangle parents at the reduced prices shown, provided the books are collected from school. These first two books have been trialled and reviewed by several Triangle families and have been well-received and enjoyed by adults and children.

Please contact Vaughan at [mail@vrphoto.co.uk](mailto:mail@vrphoto.co.uk) to place an order.

Thanks,  
Vaughan & Jeremy

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**STEM CLUB**

I would be interested in my child attending STEM Club after Christmas on Mondays after school and I understand that there would be a charge made for reserving the place of about £5 per session.

Name of child:

Class:

Signed:

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Results of the Parental Questionnaire sent out recently. 83 responses were received. The results are given as percentages rounded to the nearest whole number.

		strongly agree	agree	disagree	strongly disagree	don't know or not applicable	
1.	My child is happy at this school.	73	26		1		
2.	My child feels safe at this school.	81	19				
3.	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	58	39	2		1	
4.	My child has been bullied & the school dealt with it quickly & effectively.	1	5	2	2	89	
5.	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	81	19				
6.	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with	27	29	1		43	
7.	My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.	11	8			81	
8.	The school has high expectations for my child.	52	45	1		2	
9.	My child does well at this school.	63	37				
10.	The school lets me know how my child is doing.	57	41			1	
11.	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	78	22				
12.	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school.	73	24	1		1	
13.	The school supports my child's wider personal development.	51	36	2		11	
14.	I would recommend this school to another parent. (yes or no)	100 = yes					

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