

Triangle Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

'Learning, Excellence, Respect'

19th January 2024

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Clubs

Clubs were up and running this week and it was great to see so many children participating. Amongst the plethora of options were a couple of new clubs. STEM Challenge Club saw children using Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths to overcome design problems. This week they had to make a model with moving parts.

Another new club is Play Doh Club. This week the theme was space and they even had peppermint infused play doh to work with!

Amongst the new clubs it is also great to see old favourites like Art Club and Lego Animation Club make a comeback, as well as some clubs continuing such as netball. It was lovely to walk around this week seeing children getting stuck in to both active and creative opportunities.



Congratulations Mrs Robertshaw

It is with great joy that I can let you all know that Mrs Robertshaw brought baby Arlo into the world on Sunday morning. Both Arlo and Shaunna are doing well and we cannot wait to see them both in school.

I am sure you will join me in sending them a huge Triangle congratulations!



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PTFA Meeting

The next PTFA meeting will be held on Tuesday 23rd January, 7pm at The Hollins Mill in Sowerby Bridge. We will take stock of the Christmas activities as well as plan an event or two for this term. As usual, everyone is welcome, and it would be great to see faces old and new at the meeting.

Love is in the air....

This half term the children are working on art and poetry with a theme of love. We will be inviting you into school in the last week of term to an exhibition of their creations. It should be an exciting and inspiring project for our children to engage with. We also hope to have local artist Kate Lycett involved.

As part of this we would like to ask you all, both children and adults, to complete a heart stating what love means to you. Every child who does this will earn a point for their house team at school and all the hearts will go on display as part of our exhibition.

Please help us by cutting out the hearts after you have written on them and send them back to school with the house name, e.g. **Victorians**, **Vikings**, **Tudors** or **Egyptians** and the child's name on the back of the one they complete. Children will earn team points for returning their completed heart. If you need any additional hearts please ask.



Reading Update

Here at Triangle, we hope to develop a love for reading within the children. Besides the carefully structured reading scheme material children are guided through (see YR photo), we have class book corners (see the Y4 'indoor play' photo) and a well-stocked library. Children can choose from a selection of books to enjoy at play times and all classes have times where adults read to them (see the Y6 photo). Our reading buddy system is established and works well, with older children listening to younger ones. We engage with special events and days, like the upcoming World Book Day, but we don't just emphasise reading then – we do it all the time.

As a staff we work hard on the teaching of reading and just this week teachers were led by Mrs Barlow on some high-quality training about reading fluency. This is a vital element to being able to read that is learned over time with lots of exposure to reading.

Which brings me to the point of putting this item in the newsletter. Whilst we DO do all we can here at school to give children time and space to read regularly, it is vital that this is replicated at home. Even our oldest children should have routines at home where they read – and are read to. A bedtime story, a monthly comic, research into a topic that inspires them, the list goes on. Of course, we want our younger children to find time at home to read their 'reading scheme' book, but we want ALL children to read for pleasure on a regular basis.

Getting our children to become fluent readers is a key thing that is a real partnership between home and school. You all have a vital role to play. I am sure you are up to the task!



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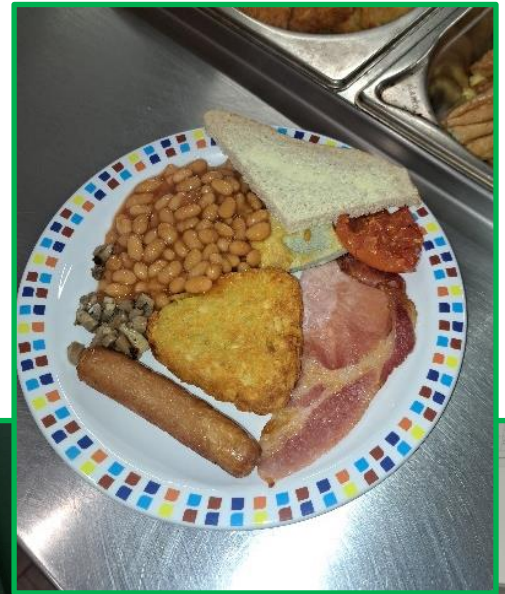
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Big Breakfast Brunch

Yesterday, the school kitchen pulled out all the stops to provide a spectacular Breakfast Brunch. A full English was the order of the day, with tasty vegetarian options and a lovely choice of puddings. Thanks as usual to the kitchen staff for their hard work.

In fact, don't take my word for it. One of our Class 6 pupils was so impressed, he took time to write and say thank you to the kitchen staff in a very touching letter, which in turn prompted Mr Allen to nominate him for one of our school's Values Award.

Well done Ramzy!



This week's Achievement goes to

Stars of the Week:

Class R: Aisha
Class 3: Ruby
Class 6: Lucy

Class 1: Alfie, Aretha
Class 4: Nia, Charlie

Class 2: Isla
Class 5: Cesc



Writers of the Week:

Class R: Lily DW
Class 3: Vanessa
Class 6: Ruby

Class 1: Eadie
Class 4: Harriet

Class 2: James
Class 5: Beatrice



School Values Award (Compassion) – Ramzy (Y6)

Events for the week commencing 22nd January 2024:

Monday: Mrs Judy Shaw (Calderdale Support Officer) in school all morning.

Tuesday: Parent in to visit Reception to talk about being a doctor.

PTFA Meeting – 7pm at the Hollins Mill.

Thursday: Parent in Reception to talk about being part of the Mountain Rescue.

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