# Triangle Primary School Weekly Newsletter

'Learning, Excellence, Respect'

26th April 2024

Year 3 and 4 Cross Country

Yesterday 16 of our Year 3 and 4 children travelled to Littleborough to take part in the Pennine Sports Association's cross-country event that was postponed before Easter. As expected, competition was fierce, but the children all ran to the best of their ability. We are yet to find out how they did as teams, but we had some great individual success. Both Jacob and Harry were clear winners of their races, whilst Charlie came in

third in his. There were also several other top ten finishes. Well done to Team Triangle and thank you to Mr Allen and Mr Barnes for taking the children over to

get the opportunity to compete.



Also competing yesterday were two squads of Year 5 and 6 gymnasts, who took part in the annual Calderdale Gymnastics Association's comp. We entered a girls' team and a mixed team (boys and girls performing together) at the event, held at Hipperholme Grammar School. Standards were exceptional and the only way we would come anywhere was to perform our routines as well as they ever had. This they did, and when the results were announced, our girls' team had come third and the mixed team first! A fantastic result. Well done to the gymnasts and a BIG thank you to Mrs Szadbey for watching over the children throughout the event.

# Class 3 & 4 Performance – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Tickets are now available for family and friends for Class 3 and 4's performance 'Victorian Voices'. Tickets are free but there will be a raffle on the night to cover the costs of staging the performance and to raise money for a charity nominated by the children so please bring some cash to buy a raffle ticket or five! There will be an afternoon performance beginning at 2.15pm and an evening performance at 6pm (children to arrive back at school for 5.45pm). The performance is anticipated to last around 45 minutes. Families can initially request 2 tickets for each performance, but extras can be requested on the slip which is being sent home tonight. You will be informed in due course whether any are available.

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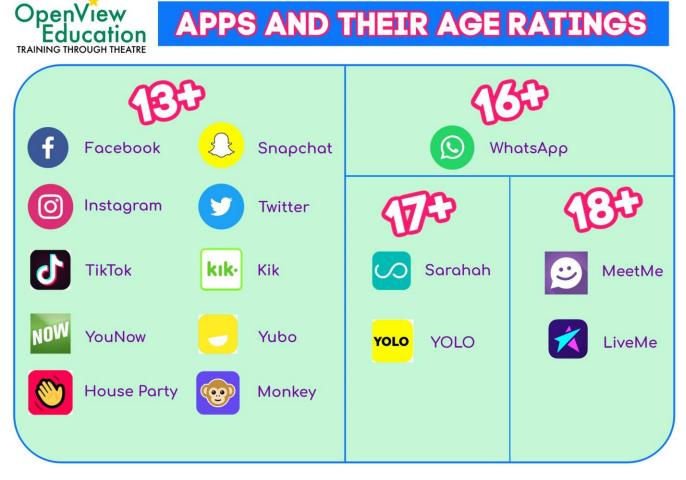
## Online Safety – Do You Know What Your Child is up to Online?

I hope that you have all noticed the current wave of media coverage related to young children and social media. The use of WhatsApp, TikTok etc has been linked to some quite horrific events. Children researching, or being exposed to totally inappropriate content, online bullying and so on. One parent who tragically lost her child is campaigning for smart phones to be banned for younger children, or for them to have limitations put upon them.

News that WhatsApp were lowering the minimum age of users to 13 (yes 13 – ALL our children are still too young to be on it) has sparked further debate. Excuses that some people feel their child is safe because they have a mobile (ie they can phone or message home) does not mean they need a smart phone, with all the other functions and apps they possess. A basic phone is perfectly adequate. I thought it timely therefore, to remind you all about keeping your children safe online.

- ENSURE parental restrictions are on any phones/tablets they have access to.
- Limit the amount of time they use them.
- Only allow their use in 'public' places in the house. Not in their bedroom alone.
- Regularly check their search histories and messages. This is NOT invading their privacy you are being a responsible parent/carer.
- Talk to them about coming to you or another trusted adult if they come across anything they feel uncomfortable about.
- NEVER let them give out any personal details or post photos where strangers could work out who
  they are or where they live.
- Don't make excuses for yourselves like 'everyone else has one,' or 'they are sensible and wouldn't do anything they shouldn't.'

Remember, if they have accounts on Social Media applications, they have lied about their age. It isn't ok. Thanks for reading.



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

#### Stars of the Week:

Class R: Elsa Class 1: Orla Class 2: Erin Class 3: Alexander Class 4: William P Class 5: Harry

Class 6: Ivy



#### Writers of the Week:

Class R: Willow Class 1: Alfie Class 2: Millie Class 4: Alex Class 5: Summer Class 6: Noah



# **Events for the week commencing 29th April 2024:**

Monday: Info about Ripponden Children's Day in Assembly

Thursday: 3 Corners closed – Polling Day

#### **Dates for the Term**

Here are some key dates for the summer term. I am sure you understand when I say that dates are subject to change, and there will be further dates to add, but you can put these in your diaries for now.

2<sup>nd</sup> May 3 Corners Closed – Polling Day – No before or after school care.

6<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday – school closed.

8<sup>th</sup> May: Lower Juniors Production; afternoon and evening.

w/c 13<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 SATs week. 17<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 Residential.

24<sup>th</sup> May Training day – school closed. w/c 27<sup>th</sup> May: Half Term – school closed.

4<sup>th</sup> June: Sports Day – Juniors AM, Infants PM.

18<sup>th</sup> June: Sports Day Reserve. 21<sup>st</sup> June: PTFA Summer Event.

w/c 24th June: (Stand firm in the) Faith Week.

26<sup>th</sup> June: Year 3 Residential. 5<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 transition day.

10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> July: Upper Juniors Production; both evenings. 18<sup>th</sup> July: Leavers' Service, St Peter's Church (PM)

19<sup>th</sup> July: School closes for summer.

### **Teaching Vacancy in School**

School is busily working on staffing ready for September. One consequence of Mr Allen being appointed as Headteacher from September, is the creation of a teaching opportunity. If you know anyone who may be interested, please let them know. A link to the job pack can be found on the school website:

https://www.triangleprimary.org.uk/our-school/jobs/