

# TRIANGLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Hebden Hey Residential

Our amazing Year 3 children have just returned from an unforgettable two-day adventure at Hebden Hey — and what a time they had! From pond dipping and den building to rock climbing and woodland walks, the trip was packed full of excitement, teamwork and outdoor exploration. Here's what a couple of the children had to say about the trip:

**One pupil reported, "One of my favourite activities was rock climbing because it was so much fun. I especially enjoyed abseiling back down the wall – it was really fast and exciting!"**

**Alex – "I really enjoyed the archery – I hit two reds and felt proud of how well I did. A funny moment was when I accidentally woke the teachers up at 4:30am because I thought it was much later!"**

**Ely – "I really liked the CI Adventures activities, especially the den building. It was easy to do, and our den looked amazing!"**

These experiences create memories that last a lifetime, and we are so proud of how the children challenged themselves, supported one another, and embraced every moment. At our school, we believe deeply in the value of outdoor learning and the importance of giving children opportunities to connect with nature, grow in confidence, and discover new passions beyond the classroom.

A huge thank you to our families for your continued support in making trips like this possible — we couldn't do it without you! And of course, a big thank you to the amazing staff who organised and attended the trip — your care and commitment made it all happen.





# Sports Week - W/C 16<sup>th</sup> June

In 2025, National School Sport Week will take place from 16th June to 22nd June. During this week, schools and organisations across the country are invited to engage in sporting events, themed lessons, and community activities that champion the value of sport in education. It's an exciting week ahead at Triangle – we've got a week full of fun, energy and unforgettable moments! Here a little look at what we have planned.

## Monday – Media & Tug of War

We'll kick off with a visit from journalist and broadcaster John Foster, who'll talk to pupils about confident speaking and writing in sport. Later, it's our inter-house tug of war competition!

## Tuesday – Sports Day

KS2 will compete in the morning, KS1 in the afternoon – parents are warmly invited to watch. We may need a few brave parents for our epic parent tug of war too!

## Wednesday – Ash Randall Visit

Football freestyler and 25x Guinness World Record holder Ash Randall will lead a whole-school assembly and skills workshops. Signed posters and wristbands (£1 each) will be on sale, with 50% of proceeds donated back to school.

## Thursday – Holly Mills (Team GB Heptathlete)

Holly will inspire pupils with her journey before leading a high-energy sponsored fitness circuit. Reminder: Please send in any sponsorship money by Monday 16th June.

## Friday – Breakdancing with Jack Stephenson

The week ends with an exciting visit from break dancer Jack Stephenson. After an assembly and workshops, pupils can buy wristbands and posters (£1) or bags (£3) featuring positive messages from the day.

## Uniform for the Week

Children may wear any suitable sportswear all week.

Sports Day House Colours (Tuesday only):

**Tudors – Red**

**Vikings – Green**

**Egyptians – Yellow**

**Victorians – Blue**



T-shirts may have patterns or writing but should clearly show the house colour.

Let's make it a week to remember!

# Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks

Next week, our Year 1 children will be taking part in the national Phonics Screening Check. This is a short, one-to-one assessment that helps us understand how well your child is progressing with their phonics—an essential part of early reading development.

The check involves your child reading a list of 40 words, some of which are real and some “nonsense” (made-up) words. This allows us to see how well they can apply their phonics knowledge to decode unfamiliar words, which is a key skill in learning to read. The check is carried out in a quiet, familiar environment with a trusted adult and is designed to feel as relaxed and low-pressure as possible for the children. Your child's results will be communicated to you as part of their end of year report.

# Year 4 Multiplication Checks

This week and next week, our Year 4 pupils will be completing the statutory Multiplication Tables Check. Schools are given a two-week window to carry out these short online assessments, which are designed to assess how confidently children can recall their times tables up to 12 × 12.

At our school, we choose to make use of the full two-week period. This flexible approach allows us to create a calm and supportive environment, giving each child the best chance to feel prepared and confident. It also enables staff to provide any final bits of encouragement or targeted support where needed—something we know makes a difference. To help pupils feel as relaxed as possible, the checks will be completed in school with a familiar adult.

# Teaching Staff Arrangements for Next Year

Reception - Mrs Catherine Quirolo  
Year 1- Mrs Sarah Szadbey and Mrs Jess Barlow  
Year 2 - Miss Jasmine Todd  
Year 3- Miss Kylie Mills  
Year 4- Miss Dannielle Westney  
Year 5- Mrs Michelle Munro and Mrs Grace Forrester  
Year 6- Mr Richard March

Further details about support staff arrangements will be shared in an upcoming newsletter in the next few weeks.

# Transition Arrangements for Next Year

As we approach the final weeks of the school year, our thoughts are turning to transition and ensuring that every child feels prepared and supported as they move into their new year group in September. While many schools offer a single transition morning or afternoon, we have found that a period of extended transition is far more beneficial for our pupils. That's why we have planned a series of transition sessions over the coming weeks:

- **Tuesday 24th June (morning)**
- **Friday 4th July (morning)**
- **Thursday 10th July (afternoon)**



These sessions allow children to build familiarity gradually, with new routines, new classrooms and new adults, so that by the time September arrives, the change feels natural and not overwhelming. These opportunities also give teachers the chance to observe and get to know their future class in a relaxed, supportive way. To further support this, our teaching staff dedicate a Twilight INSET (after-school training session) solely to transition. This session is used for a comprehensive handover between current and next year's teachers, sharing everything from academic progress to friendship dynamics and individual needs. However, as a small school, we're lucky to go well beyond this. Our teachers work closely together all year and speak informally, almost daily, about the children. This means that your child's next teacher often already knows them well before transition even begins.

For a small number of children, a more personalised transition is needed and we absolutely recognise and support this. For those who may benefit, we offer additional visits to their new classroom, 1:1 time with a key adult, or quiet conversations about what to expect. Because we are a small school, we often know each child incredibly well, sometimes even before they step into their new classroom, so we're able to tailor support that truly fits. Ultimately, our size is our strength. Relationships are at the heart of everything we do and transition is no different. By the time September arrives, we want every child to feel not just ready, but excited to begin the new year.

# Help Us Build Our New Sensory Room – We Need Your Votes!

We're thrilled to announce that our application for a Tesco Stronger Starts Grant has been successful! This is fantastic news, as the grant will contribute directly to the development of a much-needed sensory room in our school—an inclusive, calming space designed to support pupils with a range of sensory and emotional needs. Our goal is to begin work on the room over the summer holidays, but in order to receive the maximum possible funding of £1,500, we need your help.

To secure the full amount, we're asking families, friends and our wider community to vote for us in local Tesco stores using the blue token scheme. Every single token counts—so please, pop one in for us every time you shop!

## You can vote at the following Tesco stores:

- Halifax Southgate Express (HX1 1DL)
- Halifax Aachen Way Superstore (HX1 3TU)
- Hipperholme Leeds Express (HX3 8HQ)
- Greetland - Stainland Road (Victoria Mills) Express (HX4 8AD)
- Sowerby Bridge Superstore (HX6 3BN)
- Ovenden Halifax Express (HX2 8BA)
- Halifax Free School Express (HX3 0AA)

**Voting opens in the first week of July and continues until the end of September.**

**Stronger Starts**



Creating a sensory room is more than just a building project—it's a vital part of our commitment to nurturing the wellbeing and development of every child. With rising needs and stretched budgets, this space will provide a dedicated environment for children who benefit from sensory regulation, emotional support, or simply a quiet place to reset during the school day. While our local authority budget sadly won't cover this much-needed facility, I've been working hard behind the scenes to raise the funds elsewhere. We're incredibly grateful to the Sowerby Bridge Rotary Association for pledging financial support, and I'm currently in discussions with the PTFA to secure further backing. We've also raised money through our Easter competition and the fantastic Year 3/4 raffle.



## Upcoming Events

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June - PTFA Father's Day Shop**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Non-Uniform Day (Summer Hamper)**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Event**

## PTFA Father's Day Shop

Our wonderful PTFA will be running the popular Father's Day Secret Shop on the morning of Thursday 12th June. Children can purchase a wrapped and labelled gift for £4, ready to surprise someone special on Father's Day.

If your child would like to take part, please return the completed form and cash payment to school in a named envelope by Tuesday 10th June. Extra gifts can be purchased for grandparents or other special figures—just let us know on the form.

**Please note: orders cannot be accepted after the 10th June deadline.**

## Summer Event

After the huge success of last year's Triangle's Got Talent, the PTFA have been busy behind the scenes planning something just as exciting for this summer – and we're thrilled to share what's coming!

This year, we'll be bringing the school community together for a traditional Summer Fayre, packed with stalls, games, and delicious refreshments. But that's not all...

We're turning up the volume with a professional DJ hosting an outdoor disco on the school field! Expect music, dancing, and a brilliant party atmosphere – the perfect way to kick off summer.

We're combining the best of both worlds – classic summer fayre fun with a high-energy disco – to make sure there's something for everyone to enjoy.

**Date:** Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

**Time:** From 5:30pm onwards

**Location:** School field (weather permitting!)

Triangle's Got Talent will return next year, but this summer we're switching things up for a one-off event that's not to be missed!



More details, including how you can help or get involved, will be shared in next week's newsletter following the final PTFA planning meeting on Wednesday.

## Non-Uniform Day

We will be holding a non-uniform day on Thursday 27th June in support of our upcoming Summer Fayre. Instead of the usual donation, we're kindly asking families to contribute items that can be used for our tombola stalls and summer hamper prizes.

Further details about the types of items you can bring will be shared in next week's newsletter—but for now, please save the date and start having a think!



# Weekly Diary

W/C - 9th June 2025

MON

- Year 5 'Greek Day'

TUES

- Reception Forest School - am

SCIENCE FAIR

WEDS

- New Reception Open Evening - 6pm start
- PTFA Meeting - 7:30pm

THU

- RVHS Athletics
- PTFA Father's Day Shop

FRI

- Y6 Residential to Derwent Hill (Keswick)
- Y4 Swimming at Sowerby Bridge Pool

# SUMMER TERM DATES FOR DIARY



Other dates may be added as the term progresses. We will try our best to stick to all these dates. Any changes will be given with as much notice as possible

## June

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> - First day of Summer Term 2  
Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> - Class Photographs  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> - Weds 4<sup>th</sup> - Y3 residential  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> - Y5/6 Football Tournament in Rochdale  
Weds 11<sup>th</sup> - New Reception Parent's Evening  
Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> - Y3-6 Athletics at RVHS  
Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> - PTFA Father's Day Shop  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> - Sun 15<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Residential to Derwent Hill  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> - Fri 20<sup>th</sup> - Theme Week (Sports Week)  
Tues 17<sup>th</sup> - Sports Day (Parents Welcome)  
Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> - Athletics Competition in Rochdale (5pm - 7pm)  
Tues 24<sup>th</sup> - Transition Morning  
Weds 25<sup>th</sup> - Y2 Football at RVHS  
Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> - Mary Poppins at the Alhambra (2:30pm) start  
Mon 30<sup>th</sup> - Back-Up Sports Day (Parents Welcome)



## July

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> - Y6 Enterprise Day  
Fri 4<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Transition to Y7  
Fri 4<sup>th</sup> - Whole School Transition Day  
Fri 4<sup>th</sup> - PTFA Summer Event (from 5:30pm)  
Tues 8<sup>th</sup> and Weds 9<sup>th</sup> - Y5/6 Production (times TBC)  
Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> - Whole School Transition Afternoon  
Tues 15<sup>th</sup> - End of Year Reports out to parents  
Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> - Leavers' Service in Church (1:30pm start)  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> - STAR Award Assembly (9am start)  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> - Last Day of Summer Term  
Mon 20<sup>th</sup> and Tues 21<sup>st</sup> - INSET Days

