

Weekly

Newsletter



Triangle CofE Primary School

2025-2026

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Parent Information Evening

A huge thank you to all the parents, families and children who joined us for this year's Information Evening. As you know, we chose to structure the evening a little differently this time, as attendance in recent years had been gradually declining. We wanted to create an event that felt more interactive and engaging for everyone who came along.

Walking around the school, it was wonderful to see so many families actively involved in the classrooms. Parents and carers were working side-by-side with the children, exploring learning activities, speaking with staff and gaining a deeper insight into the day-to-day experiences of school life. The atmosphere was warm and collaborative, and it was a joy to see such positive engagement across all year groups.

We were delighted to receive a wealth of feedback following the event, both encouraging and constructive. Your comments are invaluable in helping us continue to develop and improve what we offer. A snapshot of this feedback can be found below:



'Very useful, thank you. Great it was interactive'

Reception class was amazing to visit! Super for us to see what my child gets up to in class and how she learns. The activities and challenges was a great idea.

It was nice to chat to the teachers and have a look at the work and ideas rather than sat in a meeting and listening.

I found this event really useful...I have every faith in Mr March doing a fantastic job, it was lovely to meet him... any questions asked were answered thoroughly...the worksheets/booklets/test papers we picked up will be useful at home to prepare for what is to come in the months ahead.

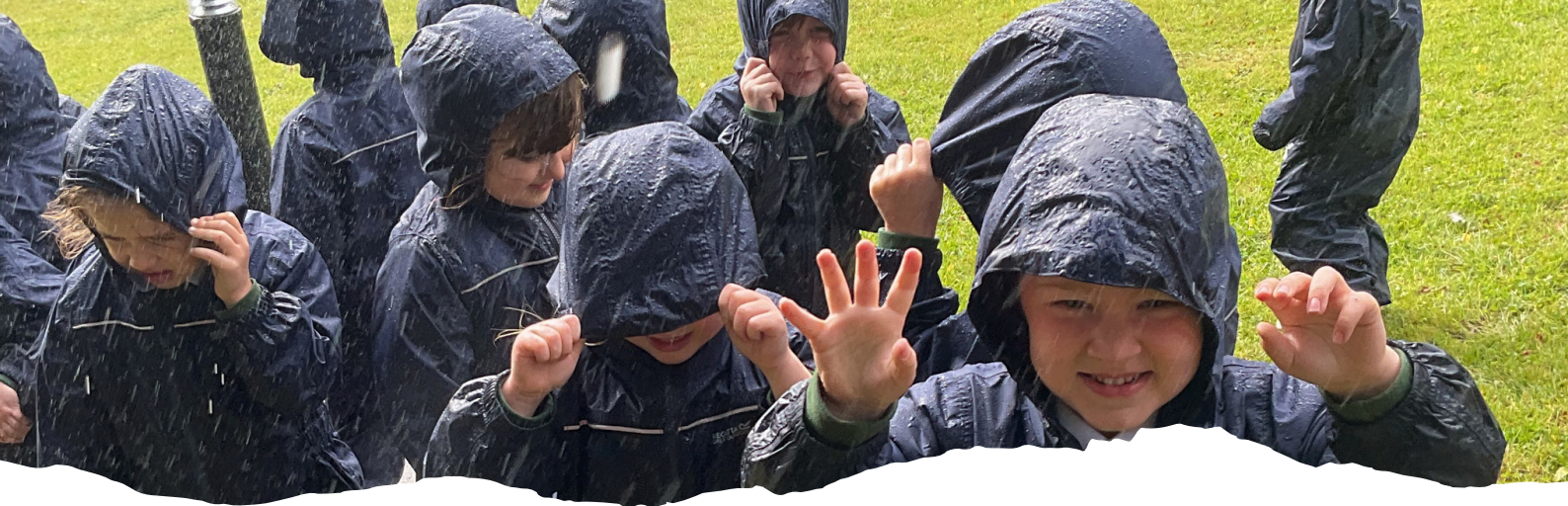
I didn't feel like I learnt as much about what would happen throughout the year and it was difficult to speak to teachers.

I found the previous information evening more helpful and informative. I would have preferred more structure and conversation with the teacher / opportunities to hear more about the learning objectives and activities, not just see an example.



All of the feedback we gathered, both the snapshot shared above and the additional comments we have saved, will play an important role in helping us plan next year's event. Interestingly, when parents were asked whether they preferred this year's format or last year's, the results came back perfectly split at 50/50! Looking across the year groups, there were no clear trends either, with responses almost evenly divided in every class.

What this tells us is that next year's event will most likely need to bring together the best of both approaches: offering a little more structure and direct information sharing, while still providing opportunities for families to interact and engage alongside the children. We know it's impossible to create an evening that suits everyone perfectly, but we will certainly give it our best effort.



Staffing in the office

I am delighted to announce that, following a thorough interview process this week, we have appointed a new School Administrative Assistant. Miss Caitlan Neale will be joining our school next week and will initially work alongside both Sally and Michelle in the office before taking up the role in full the following week.

Caitlan brings with her a wealth of experience from working in a busy school office and I am confident she will be a wonderful addition to our team. I am sure you will give her the warmest of welcomes to our school community.

Attendance

I'm happy to share that attendance for the first three weeks of term is an excellent 98.8%, compared with 97% at the same time last year. This is a fantastic start and reflects your commitment to ensuring children are in school and ready to learn - thank you.

As we head into the colder months, seasonal illnesses are more common, so I'd like to remind you of our absence procedures:

Reporting absence: Please contact the office on the first day of absence by phone, email, or voicemail. Include your child's name, class and reason. If your child remains unwell, we ask you to repeat this each day.

Sickness/diarrhoea: Children must stay off school for 48 hours after the last episode, in line with NHS guidance. This prevents the spread of infection.

First Day Calling: Registers close at 8:50am. If your child is absent and we haven't heard from you, you'll receive a text and must respond before 9:10am. Following this, the office will begin making contact (following the contacts sheet). If we cannot make contact, the matter will be passed to myself or the Deputy Headteacher and may lead to further action (such as contacting MAST or a home visit).

These procedures are in place to safeguard all children and your support in following them is greatly appreciated.

Punctuality

Although we have a rolling start to the day, with doors open from 8:40am and registers closing at 8:50am, those ten minutes are incredibly valuable. For our younger children, they provide a calm and gentle start, helping them to settle and feel ready for the day ahead. For our older pupils, learning begins straight away at 8:40am with Early Bird Maths and English tasks, making every minute count. Arriving promptly means your child makes the very best start to their school day.



Announcements



Please make sure that all extra-curricular clubs are paid for using School Money. If you are having trouble access this, please let the office team know.



Interhouse X Country next Friday. ALL children to bring trainers to school please.



Please note our main office hours have changed. If reporting a pupil absence before 8:15am, please leave an answerphone message or send an email.

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

New Reception Open Day

A green banner for Triangle C of E Primary School's Open Day. On the left, there are three circular photos: the top one shows two young children smiling, the middle one shows a group of children at a table, and the bottom one shows a child in a purple shirt. To the right of the photos is the school's logo, a shield with a cross and the letters T, C, and E. The text 'TRIANGLE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL' is in white, and 'OPEN DAY' is in a yellow box. Below that, it says 'WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2025' and 'Slots available at: 9:30am, 1:30pm and 6pm'. At the bottom, there is a 'BOOK' button, a QR code with a 'Scan' button, a phone icon with the number '01422 831558' and a 'Phone' button, and an email icon with the address 'admin@triangle.calderdale.sch.uk' and an 'Email' button.

Open Day
Booking Form



Parking - A Polite Reminder

We completely understand that parking around school can be very difficult, particularly at busy drop-off and pick-up times. Many of you have long journeys, younger children in tow, or tight schedules and we appreciate how stressful it can sometimes feel to find a safe and convenient place to park.

That said, it's really important that we all take care to park responsibly and considerately. Triangle House have let us know that cars have on several occasions been parked directly opposite their drive, preventing them from being able to get in or out. This understandably causes a great deal of frustration for our neighbours.

With space at a premium, we kindly ask everyone to be mindful of both other parents and our local residents. A little extra care in where we choose to park makes a big difference to the whole community.



PTFA AGM - Tuesday 23rd September

Here's your final reminder (on the newsletter anyway) the PTFA are holding their AGM in school on Tuesday 23rd September at 6:30pm. This year, we are under real pressure due to long-standing members moving on. We need a Chairperson and a Secretary as well as an army of volunteers to help support our events. Got a spare hour? Why not come along and see how you can help. All are welcome.

Tempest Photographs -Wednesday 24th September

Smart uniforms, neat hair, and big smiles please! Tempest Photography will be in school on this day to take individual photographs as well as sibling pictures. Children who have a sibling at 3 Corners may also have a group photo taken if you wish—please let 3 Corners know directly if you would like this to happen. As in previous years, all orders will be placed directly with Tempest Photography, and your child will bring home the order information on the same day.

P.E Kits

We are noticing an increasing number of children either not bringing the correct P.E. kit, or not having a kit in school at all. Please ensure that your child has their full P.E. kit with them on their allocated P.E. days. These days are shared with you on the class half-termly newsletter. P.E. kit can be ordered directly through school or purchased from Shaw Hardcastle. Having the correct kit allows all children to take part fully and safely in their lessons.

New Minibuses

Next week we are expecting delivery of two brand-new school minibuses. This is a significant investment for the school, but one we believe is essential in continuing to provide our children with experiences and opportunities that many other schools cannot.

In next week's newsletter, we will be sharing details about how local businesses might be able to support the school through sponsorship opportunities linked to the new minibuses. This would also offer businesses excellent visibility within our community. More information will follow soon.



Weekly Diary

W/C - 22nd September 2025

Clubs
start this
week!

MON

- Governor AGM in school - 6pm

TUES

- Reception visiting St Peter's Church
- PTFA AGM in school - 6:30pm

WEDS

- Individual Photos
- Y5/6 Girls Football Tournament at RVHS

THU

- New minibuses delivered to school

FRI

- Celebration Assembly - 9am (All welcome)
- Interhouse X Country
- Y5 swimming at Sowerby Bridge Pool

AUTUMN 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

September

- 17th - Parent Information Evening (from 5pm)
- 18th - Play Leader Training at RVHS
- 22nd - Governor AGM (6pm)
- 23rd - PTFA AGM (6:30pm)
- 24th - Photo Day (Individual)
- 24th - Y5/6 Girls Football Tournament at RVHS
- 26th - Interhouse X Country (all classes)



October

- 1st - Flu Vaccinations in School
- 6th - Y3 trip to Stump Cross Caverns
- 7th - Y5 trip to Manchester Museum
- 9th - X Country at RVHS (Y3-6)
- 13th - Governor meeting in school
- 14th - Y4 trip to Jorvik
- 15th - Parents' Evening (SEND)
- 17th - Harvest Festival in Church (10am)
- 20th-24th - Sensory Room being installed
- 20th - Y6 trip to Eden Camp
- 21st - Y2 trip to Eureka
- 22nd - New Reception Open Day
- 23rd - Spanish Day
- 24th - Break up for Half Term



November

- 3rd - INSET Day - School closed to children
- 11th - Armistice Assembly (all welcome)
- 19th - Parents' Evening
- 28th - Non Uniform Day



December

- 5th - PTFA Christmas Fayre (from 5:30pm)
- 8th - Governor meeting in school
- 9th - Infant Nativity Performance (2pm)
- 10th - Infant Nativity Performance (6pm)
- 11th - The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe at the Lowry - 2pm (Y4-6)
- 12th - Y3/4 Christmas Party
- 15th - Y5/6 Christmas Party
- 16th - R/1/2- Christmas Party
- 17th - Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- 18th - Christmas Carol Concert at Church - 2pm
- 19th - Break up for Christmas



Further Ahead

- 11th Feb - Parents' Evening (SEND)
- 18th March - Parents' Evening
- 26th March - Easter Service in Church - 2pm
- 11th-14th May - Y6 SATs Week

- 20th May - Parents' Evening (SEND)
- 15th-19th June - Sports Week
- 18th - June - Sports Day
- 26th - 28th June - Y6 Residential