

TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER



WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK!

A WORD FROM MRS POOLE AND MRS BERRY:

As we approach the end of another week in school, we celebrate the many successes and achievements of our children. This week, we welcomed parents into school for our phonics and early reading meeting and our KS2 reading meeting – these sessions have been designed to equip parents with information as to our teaching approaches used in school and share how parents and carers can best support reading at home. Thank you to those who were able to join us and to our teachers who spent time putting together and delivering this information. All PowerPoints shared will be made available to all parents via Dojo.

A reminder that next week we are hosting MacMillan Coffee Morning from 9am in the school hall. We welcome all members of the community to share a coffee and cake with us in school.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

When it comes to the daily school run, student safety is our top priority, which is why we enforce strict drop-off and collection policies based on year groups. Only our oldest pupils in Year 6 are permitted to walk to and from school independently, provided they have parental consent. For all other year groups from Nursery up to Year 5 parents and carers are required to personally escort their children to and from their specific classroom doors. This ensures a secure, supervised handover at both ends of the school day and gives teachers a valuable opportunity to touch base with families daily.

CLUB SPOTLIGHT

Our KSI Dance After-School Club have been working incredibly hard to put together a fun and exciting routine to the song 'Zoo!'. The children have been developing their dance skills, learning new movements and, most importantly, having lots of fun along the way. They have shown fantastic enthusiasm and determination and we are so proud of how much they have achieved already. We are hoping to showcase their brilliant routine at the Christmas Fair, so keep your fingers crossed that they'll be ready to take to the stage!

UPCOMING EVENTS

24.09.26	Maths's information meeting for Parent	For parents of pupils wishing to gain a deeper understanding of the teaching of mathematics in school. At 3.15pm
25.09.26	McMillan coffee morning (9.00am)	All parents welcome – prepacked donations are welcome
02.10.26	School Councils Harvest Festival (Pupils only)	We warmly welcome donations of non-perishable items to support the stock of our Towngate Pantry.
06.10.26	Coffee afternoon with Miss Darby SENCO	Parents and carers are welcome to join Miss Darby from 2.15pm - 3.15pm for a coffee and chat: your child does not need to be on the SEND register to attend.
09.10.26	KSI Inspire event 2.00pm	Prospective parents to Reception and Nursery are welcome to book a slot to visit our Early Years setting.
17.10.26	Early Years open morning 9.00am – 12.00pm	Prospective parents to Reception and Nursery are welcome to book a slot to visit our Early Years setting.



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

I'm Miss Layton and I'm currently a Teaching Assistant Apprentice working in Lower Key Stage 2. I'm really enjoying supporting the children with their learning and developing my skills along the way.

Outside of school, I love all things dance! I've been dancing since I was three years old, and I now enjoy teaching dance in my spare time. I also love watching the Super League and, of course, dancing for Wakefield Trinity. Dance has always been a huge part of my life, and I love being able to share my passion with others!

PARENT CORNER

Our attendance target is 97%, let's take a look at the attendance each class has achieved this week.

Nursery	95.74%	Year 3	95%
Reception adventures	93.81%	Year 3/4	93.57%
Reception explorers	99.05%	Year 4	98.62%
Year 1	98.46%	Year 5	97.78%
Year 2 RA	99.44%	Year 5/6	96.15%
Year 2 RU	98.5%	Year 6	96.44%

Star Of the Week

Year 1	Dora
Year 2 RAM	Phoebe
Year 2 RUN	Oscar

PEAKS OF THE WEEK

EYFS

Reception is continuing with their Marvellous Me topic and have been busy learning all about our 5 super senses. The children have enjoyed tasting lemons and limes and smelling a variety of different herbs and seasonings.

Our core text this week in Nursery is 'The Owl Babies'. The children have been amazing at retelling the story in different voices and our rhyme of the week has been 'Tommy Thumb'.

KS1

This week's Peak of the Week is for Art, where we continued our 'Printmaking' topic. This week, we used our fingers to create prints, taking inspiration from the work of other artists. The children really enjoyed experimenting with different patterns, shapes and colours to create their own unique prints!

LKS2

LKS2 have made an amazing start to their new Geography topic, exploring weather. They have shown great enthusiasm and curiosity as they learn about different types of weather and develop their geographical knowledge and understanding.

UKS2

A major peak of our week has been the phenomenal and incredibly creative English writing produced across UKS2. The children have crafted exceptionally vivid setting descriptions, using rich, imaginative language to paint a crystal-clear picture for the reader.

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