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Value...Dream...Achieve...

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Wednesdays During Lent

It is a tradition at THT that the Wednesday morning worship is celebrated in church rather than in school. This happens every Wednesday morning from now until we break up for Easter and will be led by Father David. Parents / Grandparents / Family Members are more than welcome to join us for the services which start at about 9.10 and will last for no longer than 30 minutes. We hope to see you there!!

Next Wednesday's service will be a joint service between Mere Brow Primary School and THT. This will be a Eucharist service.

Two More Awards!!

I've just received the post from over the Half Term Break and look at what arrived!!

1. Top 1% in the Country!!

We've been recognised by the Government as being in the top 1% of Primary Schools in England for attainment in Reading - this is the second year running that we have won this accolade!! You can see the letter below...

2. Poppy Appeal Outstanding Achievement Award

We've been awarded the British Legion's Outstanding Achievement Award for our 2017's contribution to their Poppy Appeal. We will receive a trophy and certificate in the near future!! - there again, this is the second year running that we have won this accolade!!

World Book Day - Reading Week at THT

A reminder that next week we are holding a 'Reading Week' at THT to coincide with World Book Day that takes place on 1st March 2018.

The School Council have 'drawn up' the plans for the Reading Week, and they are as follows:

1. Grown Ups reading in School - On Monday 26th Feb - we are asking Mums, Dads, Grandmas and Grandads to come into school at 2.30pm and share reading a book with their children - and possibly some other children.
2. Read when the Bell Goes - On Tuesday 27th Feb - the school bell will be rang at various intervals during the day. When it rings - everyone will stop and read
3. Various Activities in Class - On Wednesday 28th Feb - the teachers will choose their own activities to do in class
4. Reading Together - On Thursday 1st March - the children will be mixed up so that the older ones can read with the younger ones etc.
5. Dress Up Day - On Friday 2nd March - the children are asked to pay £1 and come dressed as a character out of a book. The money raised will go towards some new sets of reading books for our Home Reading Scheme.

Year 6 Class Worship - Friday 23rd February

At THT all children get to perform on the stage at least once a year - whether it is during the Christmas Production (Infants) or during a Class Worship (Years 3 to 6). This Friday it is Year 6's turn to 'WOW' us with their Class Worship. As usual all parents, carers and family members are invited to watch all our Friday Worships, starting at the usual time of 2.55pm...but a special invitation goes out to parents / carers / family members of our Year 6 children.



Attendance Figures

During last week, 159 (out of 182) of our children managed to achieve 100% attendance - they didn't miss one day of school!! The 'best attending class of the week' was once again Mrs Skinner's Year 3 Class with 98.6% attendance for the week!! During the same week three children were late for one session of school.

Celebration Worship

The Friday before half term was another busy Celebration Worship!! Well done to all the children who made it to my bench!! They were:

Reception	Amelia S
Year 1	Ava C and Raymond
Year 2	James B
Year 3	Steven and Oliver
Year 4	Oscar and Jake
Year 5	Thomas
Year 6	Ella R, Amelia, Vinny and Robert

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

Lent - The Journey to the Cross

Team Point Winners

Last week's winners - Asland

School Dinners

Pupils are invited to join us for World Book Day themed lunch on **Friday 2nd March**. Janet will be cooking up:

- Pork or Quorn sausage in a Wonkatania Boat
- Fantastic Mr Fox Fish Finger in a Bun with Tomato Sauce
- Both served with Onion Gravy with Charlie's Chips and Slugworth's Sweetcorn
- A Special Cake decorated by Mrs Williamson

Just book via ParentPay if you would usually send a packed lunch.

The week beginning the 26th February is "Week 2' of the Lancashire Lunch Winter Menu.

Slight changes to week 2's menu: Janet is changing Monday's menu to a choice of Pork Sausages or Fish Fingers and adding Cheese Paninis to Wednesday's options.

As usual, in addition to the advertised meals - the children can choose a jacket potato on the day or there is a choice of 3 sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) which can be booked in advance, online via ParentPay.

The Year 5 Dance - for the TARDiS Festival of Performing Arts

Tickets for the TARDiS Festival of Performing Arts are coming soon... and will be available from the school office. They are priced at £2.00 each and there is an allowance of two tickets per family. The Festival takes place on Wednesday 7th March at Tarleton Academy starting at 6.00pm. Our Year 5 dancers will be taking part in this year's festival...

BBC Radio 2's 500 Words Competition

Some of our children are entering this through school...but if your child is 'having a go' at home...the entries must be submitted by 7.00pm on Thursday of this week (22nd February 2018).

Sports Photos

Thank you to all the parents / carers who have sent in some photos already... it's time for 'last orders'...

If you have a photo of your child taking part in a sporting activity - please can we have a copy??...Either a paper copy or email one to me at head@holytrinity-tarleton.lancs.sch.uk

Mr Skinner will then display them in our school hall... celebrating the wide sporting achievements and activities that our THT children get 'up to'.

Friends 100 Club

Each month the PTA have a 100 club draw, there are 4 winners each month who will be announced on the school newsletter. The cost is only £3 each month, this gives you a chance to win £50 aswell as support our school!

Congratulations to our January winners:

1st - M McLachlan £50

2nd - T Chapman £12

3rd - C Winstanley £6

4th - J Van Dijk £3

If you want to join contact the team by email at tht100club@gmail.com or send your name and email address to the school office in an envelope marked FAO 100 club.

Plastic Milk Crates - If you can access any spare milk crates (that bottles/cartons are stacked in on a milk float / van)... please could we have a few?? They make good things to sit on in our Reception and Year 1 outdoor areas...

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

The Bank of England will withdraw the paper £10 note on Thursday 1st March 2018. After 1st March Businesses and the public no longer have to accept the £10 note as payment or in change. Please start banking all paper £10s now and stop re-using. The Bank of England will continue to exchange paper £10 notes for a limited period, as it would for any other Bank of England note which no longer has legal tender status. Please see below link for more information:

<https://www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/paper-10-pound-note>

*...don't forget to scroll down to see our letter from the
Minister of State for School Standards...*



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
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Dear Mr Smith,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on your school's very high standard of achievement in reading in the 2017 key stage 2 assessments.

Your school's results, as published on 14 December, show that 100 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in reading at the end of key stage 2. This means that your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England for achievement in reading.

We want to ensure that every child has the necessary fluency in reading to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for your hard work and professionalism in producing such high standards and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP