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

## **Newsletter No: 21**

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### **Reminders**

School closes this Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February and reopens 8.45 on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Get your World Book Day costume ready!

Look out for the choir interviews and singing on our website and listen to Radio Lancashire on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb at 8.15pm.

### **Celebration Worship**

Well done to all those children who made it to the bench, they were:

Reception	Adelaide
Year 1	Hans
Year 2	John
Year 3	Nate
Year 4	Niall and Charlie
Year 5	Olivia
Year 6	Jacob E

### **Our Worship Theme for this Week is...**

**God is Wide Awake, Caring, and Creator**

### **Team Point Winners**

Last week's winners: Asland

### **Choir News!**

Some of you will know all too well but others may not know that on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February, Maria from Radio Lancashire came to record our choir singing and rehearsing with David the musical director of the 'Sing Together' event. The children were very excited and were perfect model pupils for THT – they sung their hearts out and interviewed brilliantly with enthusiasm and wit – even though they were put on the spot! The recording will go out on Radio Lancashire on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February (the first Monday back after half term) at 8.15pm. Maria hosts the Lancashire Arts and Culture Show and she will be mixing the children singing and interviews as part of her 'backstage piece' about the Sing Together performance. She has allowed us to include the recordings on our website – so look out for those soon.

### **Book Fair update**

Fantastic news! We raised a whopping £842.59 at the book fair this year, which means that we have £516.79 to spend on scholastic books for school. Mrs Birkby will be buying some additional books for the home reading scheme and some books to support topics the children cover in class.

### **A message from Friends**

Hi everyone, we now have a verified Amazon Smile account! Yay!

It means that for every purchase you make through Amazon Smile that "Amazon will give 0.5% of the net purchase price (excluding VAT and other shipping fees) of eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organisations selected by our customers."

So all you need to do (if you use Amazon) is log in through [www.smile.amazon.co.uk](https://www.smile.amazon.co.uk) as you normally would, search for 'The Friends of Tarleton Holy Trinity C of E Primary School', select us, and then Amazon will do the rest! Easy!

It'll take a couple of minutes of your time, and hopefully earn some extra £££

Thank you!!

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1105014-0>



## Upcoming sporting events

TASA muddy woody 19.03.20  
Quicksticks Y5/6 26.03.20  
Key steps gym Y3/4 31.03.20  
Orienting Y5/6 02.04.20  
Swimming Gala 24.04.20

## World Book Day

This year THT are joining the **World Book Day Month Challenge**.

We will also be celebrating World Book Day with a **dress-up day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – any book character.

What is “Share a Million stories”?

Welcome to our 2020 nationwide campaign to help change children’s lives, by making story-sharing a habit of a lifetime and creating readers for life.

Reading for pleasure is in decline, so we want to boost it back up, raise awareness and spark millions of imaginations . . .

Did you know:

- Reading for pleasure is in decline: only 29% of 0-13s read for pleasure daily (down from 30% in 2017). Source: Children’s Reading for Pleasure: Trends and Challenges, Egmont, 2019
- The number of parents sharing stories with their children is also in steep decline: only 56% of 3-4-year-olds are read to daily or nearly every day (69% in 2013).
- Fewer than 19% of 8-10-year-olds are read to daily or nearly every day (down from 25%). Source: Understanding the Children’s Book Consumer Nielsen, 2018

That’s why we need YOUR help – parents, carers, teachers, booksellers and librarians – to reach our target of one million stories shared during World Book Day month, to promote the importance of sharing stories with children.

Our mission for 2020 is to invite everyone nationwide to Share A Million Stories and spread the love of books and reading for pleasure, both in school and at home.

It’s a campaign to help change children’s lives and make story sharing a habit of a lifetime – we’re encouraging the nation to help us share and record online over a million stories throughout World Book Day month.

Sharing a story is being read to or reading with an adult, sibling, friend – or pet for a minimum of 10 minutes. Ideally, this takes place at any time throughout the day, from breakfast till bedtime – at the breakfast table, on the bus, in the bath, or in bed.

There are LOTS of brilliant booky prizes up for grabs every week, from £1,000 of books for schools, to National Book Tokens or an exclusive print by World Book Day illustrator, Rob Biddulph

**The challenge will be running throughout World Book Day month – 27 February-29 March 2020**

**After half-term pupils will receive a photocopied Share A Story Reading Record to record all the stories children are sharing both at home and at school on a weekly basis.**

For more information please visit [www.worldbookday.com/share-a-million-stories](http://www.worldbookday.com/share-a-million-stories)

## A plea about Friends

Our friends PTA are struggling to organise and run the number of great events that they do as there are less and less members of the PTA willing to organise and sort some of these events. As a school, we really do appreciate the tremendous effort Friends put in and we could not afford some of the equipment, resources or experiences without the funds PTA raises. I really hope I can persuade more parent/carers to go along to a meeting and support with planning and running some of the events. It would be a great shame to see out PTA fold!

## Another lovely message about our children!

A few weeks ago our Y3 children went to visit the Eco Centre at Southport and Julie at the centre emailed to say how wonderful and enthusiastic the children had been. The children then completed some follow up work all about what they had learnt (writing for a real purpose) and sent their information off to Julie and the other staff at the Eco Centre. This was her reply:

I came in this morning to the most wonderful surprise - the phenomenal work produced by your amazing class!

How much information have they packed in there? I'm aiming to stick them up on the classroom wall but if I do that I might as well come and sit in the office and put my feet up as they've covered it all for me.

It was such a lovely, thoughtful, idea - are you sure you can spare such magnificent work to grace our walls

instead of yours?

It's been a fair while since I've had thank you letters from children but these are the cream of the crop, another level. Your class have made my day so a big thank you to you and them!

Yours grinningly,

Julie.

Again, praise indeed!

### **Tesco bags of help scheme**

We are very fortunate to have been chosen for the Tesco bags of help scheme. This means that if you shop in Burscough Bridge Tesco, you will be given a small blue disc when you make a purchase. You can place it into the voting containers at the front of the store. Please choose our school container.

Our project will be there for January, February and March, so please tell all your family, friends and neighbours. We will be awarded £2000, £1000 or £500 depending on how many tokens we receive.

So get voting and posting!

Apparently we are winning at the moment!

### **Attendance Figures**

This week, 168 (out of 193) of our children managed to achieve 100%. The winner of 'best attending class of the week' was Mrs Davies Reception class. There were just 1 child late for school this week.

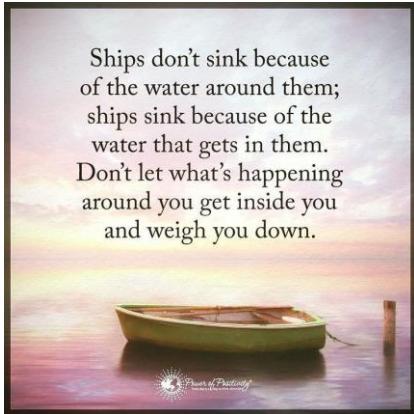
Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

Tracy Dimmock  
Acting Headteacher

### **Have a great half term and stay safe.**

#### **Thought for the day:**

As we go into the holiday, take a moment to relax, enjoy and have positive thoughts...



### **Our Vision Statement**

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

***As a loving Christian family, our aspiration is for all pupils to flourish, safe in the belief that  
we, "...can do all things through Christ, who strengthens us" Phil 4:13.  
Everyone is valued, we all achieve and our dreams for the future begin.***