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

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Welcome back to the Summer Term 2024!!

As always at THT, it's going to be a busy term with Sports Day, End of Year tests, School Trips, Reports and of course - saying 'Goodbye' to our Year 6!!

Half term are the two weeks beginning Monday 27th May - and we break up at 2.30pm on Friday 19th July!!

House Points for Spring 2024

Each week, our House Captains total the number of Team Points won for the week - and then a running total is kept for the term. I am pleased to announce that this Term's winners are Asland - with a comfortable lead over Douglas in Second...these points will be added to the totals from last term and then, at the end of the Summer Term, we will find out the Overall winners for the year!!

Position	<u>Team</u>	<u>Points</u>	
<u>1st</u>	<u>Asland</u>	<u>1193</u>	
<u>2nd</u>	<u>Douglas</u>	<u>1013</u>	
<u>3rd</u>	<u>Yarrow</u>	<u>986</u>	
4th	Ribble	<u>979</u>	

So well done to Asland, who, on Friday 12th April, may come to school in whatever clothes they want (with a hint of green) - as a reward for winning the most House points for the Spring Term 2024.

Easter Egg Raffle

A huge THANK YOU to Alice and the Friends of THT who put together the prizes for the Easter Egg Raffle...and a big THANK YOU to all the local shops who donated the Easter Eggs!! We pulled out all the winning tickets on the morning of 21^{st} March - there were SO many prizes!! All in all - the Raffle raised £374...so a massive THANK YOU to everyone who bought tickets!!

Last Week's Attendance

The week before the Easter Break 162 pupils (out of 201 children) attending school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

6 children (from 4 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).

The best attending class for the week was Mrs Seeley's Year 1 Class with an attendance figure of 96% for the week

During Celebration Worship next Friday (19^{th} April) we will be giving out the 100% Certificates for the children who did not miss one session of school between (and including) January 4^{th} and Friday 22^{nd} March 2024. Their names will be announced on next week's Newsletter!!

This Week's Worship Theme

Easter - What happened after Jesus rose from the dead...















Spring Term Parents Evening 2024

Thank you to all the parents / carers who came to our Parents' Evening last month - or discussed their children's progress and attainment over the telephone. Only 3 children were not represented during the two evenings (or an alternative appointment) - so 98.5% of the children were!!

Findings from our Parent Questionnaire Spring 2024

During our Spring Term 'Face to Face' Spring Parents' evenings, I invited as many parents / carers as possible to complete a Parent Questionnaire. This is based on the Questions as by <u>Parent view</u> - the platform that Ofsted use when they are Inspecting Schools and seeking the views of Parents. 120 questionnaires were completed over the course of the 2 nights, and over the next few weeks I will 'talk you through' the results.

Question 1 asked for your response to the statement: 'My child is happy at school.'
Only 1 parent/carer said that they 'didn't know'. I spoke to that parent on the night and fully understand their reasons for their answer. The other 99% agreed so I'm pretty happy!!

Data Collection Sheets

This week a Data Collection Sheet, detailing your child's personal information will come to you via your child's bag. I would be grateful if the form could be checked. Please amend or add information where appropriate, sign and return to school as soon as possible - and before the end of school on Friday 19th April. Thanks!!

Choir Church

The Choir Church After School Club start next Friday (19^{th} April) finishing at the usual time of 4.30pm. If your child would like to start attending the Choir Church ASC - please let Mr Smith know.

Drums with Mr Beaton

Each year we are lucky enough to have one of our Dads (Mr Sam Beaton) lead each class in a djembe drum session. Sam gives his time free of charge and thank you to Standish Community High School for letting Sam bring the drums to THT!! We look forward to drumming with Sam, this coming Thursday!!

Stepping Stones

We re-open our pre-school Stepping Stones Club this coming Friday at the usual time of 10.30am. We ask for a donation of £1.50 to cover the cost of refreshments.

Unfortunately we can only allow pre-school children to attend the sessions – so cannot accommodate older children, with some schools still being closed for Easter...

Maypole Dancing

The time of year has again arrived when we start practising our Maypole and Morris dancing in preparation for our two important events in summer.

These are Walking Day on Saturday 8th June and Rose Queen Day on Saturday 22nd June.

All practices will be held on Monday afternoons from 3.30pm until 4.15pm, in the school hall at Tarleton C of E School, commencing on Monday 15^{th} April. They will continue each Monday at the same times until the beginning of June.

Both Boys and Girls are welcome to join in from any school year and are invited from the other surrounding village schools and Sunday schools to participate. The children really enjoy the dancing each year and even more so parents, friends and grandparents love to watch the children at the two village events, which are Walking Day, and Rose Queen Day. If your child would like to be in the Maypole dancing group, please would you complete the consent form on the letter which will come out to you separately and return it to Ruth at the first practice.

If you have any queries, please contact Ruth Gottig on 07775 530 824.

Lunches

Week 1 of the New Summer menu - Week beginning 15th April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Crispy Coated Chicken	Loaded Beef Chilli Tacos	Roast Chicken with Gravy,	Booths Pork Sausages	Golden Crumb Fish Fingers
Burger in a Bun with	with Mixed Rice and Salad	Roast Potatoes and	with Herby Potatoes and	with Chips and Peas
Tortilla Chips and		Vegetables	Vegetables (or Baked	
Sweetcorn			Beans)	
or	or	or	or	or
Vegetable Pasta Bake	Homemade Pizza with	Tomato and Mascarpone	Tomato and Italian Herb	Homemade Pizza
with Salad	Potato Wedges and	Pasta	Pasta with Salad	Margherita with Chips and
	Sweetcorn	And Salad		Sweetcorn

On the 15th April - the new Summer Menu starts for 2024. Although Janet and I need to look through the menu to ensure that it meets the needs and tastes of the THT children - we can show you the proposed Menu. It isn't definite but have a look and see what your child / children might like to eat. I'm glad that they have still keep the 'Roast Wednesday' and Fish and Chips / Pizza and Chips on a Friday!! Click here to see the draft menu.

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

According to one website:

The tallest maypole is said to have been erected in London on the Strand in 1661; it stood over 143 feet high. It was felled in 1717, when it was used by Isaac Newton to support Huygen's new reflecting telescope.