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Bog Eyed Jog - this Friday!!

It's that time of year again! The Friends PTA are holding the annual BOG EYED JOG on Friday 30th September - we're thinking perhaps 'Jim Jam Jog' - or even 'Pyjama Parade' in the future...

The aim of the event is for the pupils to come to school in their pyjamas and jog laps around the playground (or hall if wet) in order to raise money for the school. Once the classes have run their laps the joggers will all sit down and enjoy breakfast together in the classroom. The pupils get to stay in their Pyjamas all day at school.

Children should arrive at school for 8.15am in their pyjamas and will start jogging by 8:30am.

The running order this year will be:-

Year 2 and Year 3

Year 1 and Year 4

Reception and Year 5

Year 6

We request that each family bring in a breakfast item. If you have more than one child in school, please have your eldest bring in that item.

Year	Item	Bring to school on
Reception	Remember your PJ's and trainers and be ready to Jog - Fri am	
Year 1	Fruit Juice - Orange/Apple	Friday Morning
Year 2	Fruit Juice - Orange/Apple	Friday Morning
Year 3	Mini Fun Sized Treats	Thurs pm / Fri am
Year 4	Mini Fun Sized Treats	Thurs pm / Fri am
Year 5	2 pints Semi Skimmed Milk	Friday Morning
Year 6	Box of Cereal	Thurs pm / Fri am

Please do not bring: -

- Crunchy Nut Cornflakes (or similar) as these cannot be used in case of nut allergies.
- Packs of individual cereal (multi packs) as these cause issues in the class rooms.
- Tropical Fruit Juice as a lot of the children won't drink it

Each class run will last for about 5 minutes and we aim to be finished by 9am.

If you are able to help serve breakfast on the day please email <u>friends.pta.tht@gmail.com</u>.

Census Day School Meal

On 'Census Day' we ask all of our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children to have a 'try' at a school meal. Even if your child usually has sandwiches from home - we ask you to please still send this in - but let them try part of a school meal. For every meal that is 'taken up' on that day school gets extra funding for the term.

Census day this term is on Thursday $6^{\rm th}$ October. The menu for this day will be:

Booths Pork or Veggie Sausages with Yorkshire Puddings, Creamy Mash, Vegetables and Gravy OR

Tomato Mascarpone Pasta with a Crispy Salad.

Dessert Choice - Toffee Apple Cake with Custard OR Fresh fruit













Infants or Free School Meal parents/carers do not need to do anything, Junior parents/carers (Years 3 to 6) - please book your child's meal via ParentPay by Thursday 29th September - Junior meals are £2.40.

As our Infants (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) receive a Free School Meal – we will automatically be giving them a School Meal on 6th October – unless you contact us to say otherwise.

Mrs Dimmock is Retiring

I know that this will be news to some - but not all of you...

Mrs Dimmock is to retire at the end of this term – with her last day being the day we break up for Christmas (16th December 2022).

Mrs Dimmock has been the Deputy Head of Tarleton Holy Trinity since she joined THT in January 2012 and since then has taught in different Classes – but largely Year 2 and Reception and more recently Year 3...and of course has been Acting Head on two occasions!!

The Governors, the School's Advisors and I are already in the process of looking for a new THT Deputy Headteacher and an advert will be out soon. (This is why I'm letting you know of her retirement now.) My thanks to Mrs Dimmock will be 'published' at a later date – when we get nearer to the end of term.

Individual School Photos

It's time to spruce up that uniform and brush the hair as soon it will be Photograph Time!! This coming Monday (3rd October), in the hall, we are having our annual Family and Individual school photos, where MyFoto are invited in to take photos of your children. If you would like your pre-school child in the children's photo, please bring them into the hall between 8.30 and 8.50am.

<u>Harvest</u>

A reminder that our Harvest Festival Celebrations for the children in school will be on Friday 7th October. We are 99% certain that we will be able to hold the service in Church - but we are moving the timing of the service to 2.30pm and will last for about 45 minutes. The festival will be in the school hall if we can't hold it in Church (at 2.30pm).

All of our children will be involved in singing hymns, or reciting readings, poems and prayers. If the service IS in Church, feel free to join us. All parents, carers, grandparents, family members, friends and Governors are invited to join us...we hope to see you there!!

Usually we ask parents/carers to donate food items to support the Southport Foodbank. However, we are fully aware of the financial difficulties that some parents/carers may be facing at the moment, so if you feel that you can donate, we are limiting everyone to bring **just 1 item**.

The Food Bank website requests donations of the following foods:

Tinned tomatoes

Tinned potatoes/ instant mash

Breakfast cereals

But any tinned or dry foods would be gratefully received.

<u>Celebration Worship</u>

Last Friday we had another of our Celebration Worships. Well done to all those who made it to the bench!! They were...

Year 1	Kyara
Year 2	Penelope
Year 3	Jude and Chloe
Year 4	Lexie
Year 5	Joseph
Year 6	Ella
Head teacher Award	Charlotte in Reception and Elena in Year 4

Energy Drinks

I have heard on the 'grapevine' that three of our Year 6 children were able to buy the energy drink called 'Monster' from a local shop without being 'age checked'. (You are not supposed to sell energy drinks to under 16s.) The shop in question is the Shell Petrol station near to our friends at Tarleton Community Primary School. I have made Mr Upton (Head at TCP) aware of this...

Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2023??

Do you have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, or is his/her last year of Primary School from 1st September 2022?? - then for Lancashire resident families you need to apply for a school place, even if an older brother or sister is already attending your preferred school/academy.

The means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at:-

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (or simply click here).

This already went live on 1st September 2022. It is quick and easy to use and offers an e-mail receipt of all submitted applications. Please ensure that you hit the "submit" button when you are ready to send in your completed on-line application. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your on-line application.

The closing dates for applications for September 2023 are at 11-59 pm on:-

Secondary school applications - 31st October 2022

Primary school applications - 15th January 2023

For prospective parents, or indeed anyone who is interested in life at THT, our Open Day for this year is on Wednesday 19th October, with both afternoon and evening sessions.

Late Arrivals and Medical Appointments

Two of our children arrived at school today quite a bit after the bell this morning and walked into the main entrance on their own. If your children arrives at school after 8.55am (and the gate is shut) please can parents / carers bring their child into the main entrance. After 9.00am parents / carers are asked to sign their child in using the touch screen as they are classed as late.

If your child is going to be late for school due to a medical appointment - please let the office know (prior to the appointment) by using the app - or leaving message on the answering machine. If using the App you can also send a photo of the appointment letter, text or card.

A Message from Mrs Warburton

Mrs Warburton is setting up a role play bathroom in her classroom where the children can use sponges, soap etc. to wash some dolls.

Unfortunately, some of the dolls that we have in school are 'fabric bodied' - and therefore we would welcome any donations of totally plastic dolls for our new role pay area - thank you!!

Diamond Disciples Group

A final reminder that Danny Abraham is starting Holy Trinity Church's new 'Diamond Disciples' group which will be launching this coming Thursday (September 29th). Please the poster below for more details.

A Message from Church

As well as school holding a Harvest Festival Service on the Friday – Church also has their own service on Sunday 9th October at 10.45am. This is an All Age Service with a focus on children and the younger congregation. Please join in if you can!!

We are also looking for volunteers to move the food donations from church back to school after the service - if you have any free time and you can help!!

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to our Phonics Workshop and Meet the Teacher Evening. Did you know that exactly 100 children were represented during the evening - which is 53% of the school!!



A new and exciting midweek evening service for young people aged 7-11 to encounter Jesus and to grow in their faith!

