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

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World Record Attempt

This morning all the children took to the playground to take part in a 'multi-site' World Record Attempt. The children all sang and acted out the song 'Heads, shoulders, knees and toes' for a full five minutes. Susan from Tarleton DIY and Andy from Tarleton Library were our independent witnesses and our total of 155 is now being sent off to West Lancs Sports partnership who will complete the bid to see if we are World record Holders...fingers crossed!! (We have a total of 4727 to beat!)

Library Books

As it is very nearly the end of term, please could all the children's school library books be returned to school as soon as possible - so that they can be all sorted ready for next term!! Thanks!!

What Talented Children we have at THT!!

a) Swimming Gala:

Last Friday some of our Year 5 and 6 children took part in the Tarleton Area Swimming Gala...and we did very well! Overall the girls won the Silver Team Award and the Boys won Bronze and we did very well in the individual races as well...

Ella T won Bronze in the 50m Freestyle

Louis won silver in the Breast stroke

Georgia and Brad both managed to win their Backstroke so walked away with a Gold...

And the Girls Relay won Bronzell!

b) Last Choir Singing:

On Saturday we entered the Last Choir Singing Competition in Blackburn...and although we didn't come away with any trophies, the choir sang beautifully and I was very proud of each and every one of them!! Mrs Simpson and I would like to say a big THANK YOU to all the parents and carers who came to event, taxied the children all the way to Blackburn and cheered the choir on. Your support (as always) is very much appreciated!!

c) The THT Bell Ringing club:

On Sunday there was a lovely Chrism Service in church with three of the local Bishops attending and many clergy from different parishes within the Diocese. Before the service, four of the Bell Ringing Club and I rang the bells to welcome the congregation into church. They rang very, very well and were highly commended by Bishop Phillip during the service. Well done team!!

Sport Relief - Charity Fund Raising Day

Thank you to everyone who generously donated towards our Sports Relief Fundraising Day. All in all we raised an impressive £170!! Have a quick look at my Heads Blog for some of the photos...

'Friends' Easter Egg Raffle

It's nearly time to draw the raffle...so you're running out of time!!

The class teachers are selling the tickets in class everyday up until (and including) the 23rd March, priced at 50p a ticket. The draw itself will take place during a special Thursday morning Assembly on Thursday 24th March. There is one hamper of Easter Eggs for each class to win, and one 'overall' hamper. All monies raised will go towards buying the outdoor gardening equipment which you can see in the Infant playground.



Celebration Worship

Celebration worship just gets busier each week. Well done to the children who made it to my bench, they were:

Reception	Ethan
Year 1	Harry
Year 2	Olivia HF
Year 3	Jessica C
Year 4	Max and Callum
Year 5	Oliver
Year 6	Jodi and Maddy

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

The Easter Story

Team Point Winners

Last Time's Winners - Yarrow

Church Services for School this Week

I would like to send out a final invitation to all our parents, carers and family members to join us in church, during Lent, this Wednesday morning. This is instead of our usual Wednesday morning worship in school. Father Nicholas will lead our last Lent service, which starts just after 9.00am and will last for approximately 30 to 45 minutes.

We are (as I write) practising hard for our Easter Service in church which we would also like to invite you to. The service begins at 2.15pm, this coming Thursday, and will last for about an hour. My bell ringing club and I will remind you about the service by ringing the bells from 1.15pm onwards!!

Once the service has finished the children will come back to school and will finish the school day at the usual time of 3.25 / 3.30pm.

Attendance Figures

Last week 130 of our children (out of 161) managed to achieve 100% attendance. ...and Mrs Warburton's Class were the best attending class for the week - well done Reception!!

2015 Parent Questionnaire Findings...

The next response to the questionnaire... Question 9 asked parents and carers to respond to the statement: 'This school deals effectively with unacceptable behaviour'. 86% of you agreed with this, and 14% said that you 'Didn't know'.

In answer to a similar question in previous surveys only 81% of you agreed (in 2014) and 65% in 2013...so quite an improvement in one year.

I always think that the first 'job' of a Headteacher is to make sure that all the children are safe and happy in school....indeed Ofsted commented in their 2013 report that 'Pupils behaviour is typically good and often outstanding'.

Before the Autumn Term starts each year all the staff work together to update the school's behaviour policy to ensure that good work and good behaviour are being recognised, and that there are clear consequences if any inappropriate or bad behaviour occurs. The children are very aware of the policy and all staff and children support and follow the 5 'Golden Rules' which we have in place. I feel that our Behaviour Policy is robust and any incident, should they occur, would be dealt with quickly and efficiently with full communication made at each point to the pupils and to the parents/carers.

Since I have been Headteacher at Tarleton Holy Trinity there have been no reported cases of bullying in school.

School Dinners

The week beginning the 28th March is 'Week 3' Slight alterations to week 3's menu: Janet is swapping Wednesday's Chicken Tikka Masala to a Chicken Korma and replacing Friday's Calzone Pizza with a Pizza Margherita. As usual, in addition to the advertised meals - the children can choose from 3 sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) or can request a jacket potato, but please can they book this during registration in the morning.

Breakfast and After School Club

Please can we request that all bookings for places in our Breakfast Club and After School Club are made at least 24 hours before the place is needed. During some sessions we are 'hitting' the top of our staff / pupil ratio, therefore if bookings are made in advance we can accommodate more children by adding more staff - but we find this hard to do 'on the day'. For all bookings please Text 07887 882533 stating the child's name, class and what sessions you require. Thank you!!

The Easter Weekend

Don't forget that we have a long weekend as we close school for the Easter Weekend on the Thursday of this week. We close at 3.25 / 3.30pm on Thursday 24th March and return to school on the Easter Tuesday (29th March) with the doors opening at the usual time of 8.45am for school to start at 8.55am.

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



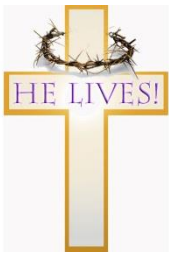
Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...?

This Sunday at 1.00am the clocks jump forward 1 hour for the beginning of British Summer Time. According to some websites, the first British advocate of daylight savings time was William Willett, who published a pamphlet in 1907 entitled *A Waste of Daylight* that advised his fellow countrymen to make the most of summer by getting up earlier. He was a keen golfer and it was partly his frustration at having his games cut short by nightfall that turned him into a passionate campaigner for an extra hour of sunlight. However, Britain didn't adopt the idea until 1916, a few weeks after Germany and Austria-Hungary implemented it as a wartime measure.

Work of the week:

The piece of work that caught our eye this week is a piece of discussion writing by Faye in Year 5. Have a look at her brilliant work attached...all about Fair Trade!!



From everyone at Tarleton Holy Trinity Primary School, we wish you a safe, happy and 'cracking' time over the Easter Weekend!!

