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### Library Books / Reading Books

One last request...if you haven't already, please could all the children's school books be returned to Mrs Birkby at school tomorrow - so that they can be all sorted ready for next term!! Thanks!!

### Year 4 Class Worship

Mrs Seeley's Year 4 children performed brilliantly during last week's Class Worship. Well done to all of Year 4 and to Mrs Seeley for putting on such a wonderful worship all about 'Jesus the Man who Saves Lives - and Still Does'. Don't forget to have a look at the website for photos...they'll be coming soon on the Year 4 Class link!!

### Our Worship Theme for this Week is... Spring - A New World Emerges

### House Point Winners

The team point winners for last week and indeed for the whole term were Yarrow.

Every week we total up the children's House Points, not only to see who wins each week, but also to have a 'running total' for the term. So well done to **Yarrow** (the Yellow Team) who have indeed won this term!! In order to celebrate the winning team's success, we are allowing all the Yarrow Team members to come to school in their own clothes for a day and if they can...wearing something related to their team's colour. Therefore, tomorrow (Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April).....please can all children in Yarrow come to school in their own clothes...wearing something which is Yellow. The remainder of the children (not in Yarrow) are to come in their normal school uniform please.

### Attendance Figures

Last 130 of our children (that's 81%) managed to achieve 100% attendance...the chest infection and cough which is going round has really hit us hard!! During the same week four children were late for school for at least one session. Well done to Mr Marshall's Year 6 class who were the best attending classes for the week!!

### Parents' Evening

Just a reminder that Parents' Evenings are being held in school this week (Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 5.30 - 8.00pm and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 3.30 - 6.30pm (depending on the class)). The children's work will be in the Classrooms for you to have a look at, and the teachers will meet you to discuss their progress etc. in the school hall.

It would be helpful if parents could try, as much as possible, to keep to their allotted time(s) so that we do not have a 'back log' of parents and carers waiting for teachers. If you feel you need a longer meeting with a member of staff you can always make an appointment for another day.

### News from Sunday Club

Sunday club are holding a fun day on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May from 10am until 12 noon in the church. There will be Arts and Crafts and many other fun activities etc. They would like as many children as possible to come along so please pop along and see what Sunday Club 'gets up to'...we hope to see you there!! If you can, please let Sunday club know if you are going to attend by contacting the team by emailing them on [thtsundayschool@gmail.com](mailto:thtsundayschool@gmail.com)



### 2016 Parent Questionnaire Findings...

The next response to the questionnaire... Question 11 asked parents and carers to respond to the statement: 'This school is led and managed effectively'. 98% of you agreed with this... and three of you (2%) responded as 'Didn't know'.

All I can say is that I hope I am doing a good job and as a team we are getting Tarleton Holy Trinity to where I want it to be...the 'preferred school in the area'.

Many of your comments during our recent parents' evening were very positive and during our most recent inspections, they used phrases such as, 'The headteacher's high expectations and uncompromising drive to improve teaching, learning and standards is shared by staff and governors' (Ofsted 2013) and '...the recently appointed headteacher has had an immediate and positive impact, which is recognised by all members of the school family. All feel included and valued'. (SIAMs 2014)

I strongly feel that my senior leadership team is also working well (and very hard) to move the school forward on its continuous search for improvement, and there again, Ofsted said that, '...senior leaders have taken decisive actions to bring about 'non-negotiable' improvements in teaching. As a result, teaching is improving and attainment rising.

...and the Governors are doing everything in their power to ensure that the school is 'ever improving' with Ofsted giving them a very complementary paragraph on page 6 of their final report.

### Developments at THT

In an attempt to remove all cash and cheques from school we are asking all parents and carers to use our new e-payment method to pay for school dinners. This can be done online using a very secure website called 'ParentPay' or in cash where you see the PayPoint logo.

On Wednesday you will receive a letter with all the information you need on how to register with 'ParentPay'. This is a new system for the Office and ask for your patience as we go through the set up process. This will hopefully make payment for dinner money more efficient. We will extend this service for all other payments to school in due course but will keep you informed.

### What's New on the Website

Have a look at my 'Head's Blog' for photos of the Winners of the Easter Egg Raffle:

[http://www.holytrinity-tarleton.lancs.sch.uk/index.php?category\\_id=93](http://www.holytrinity-tarleton.lancs.sch.uk/index.php?category_id=93)

### A Football Club Message

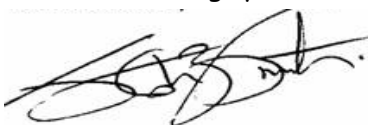
Due to Friday being the last day of term, there will be no after school football club.

### The Two week Spring Break

Don't forget that we break up for two week Spring Break at **3.00pm** this Friday (8<sup>th</sup> April) and return to school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April (8.55am start with the doors opening at 8.45am). Please note that there will be **NO** After School Club on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April (but there will be Breakfast Club and Easy Drop as usual).

Please note that we will not be holding a Celebration Worship this Friday...

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

### Did you know...?

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April we are already 100 days into 2016...doesn't time fly!!