



Trawden Forest Primary - School Newsletter

Every child matters; every moment counts.

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Friday 6th January 2023 Welcome back and Happy New Year to everyone! It was wonderful to see all the children back in school and hear about the amazing time they have had this Christmas.

We are looking forward to a fabulous term ahead and I am sure that you will agree that we certainly fill every hour of every day in every week!

Our small but mighty PTFA have planned a fabulous day for next week - I am sure the children will enjoy the "break the rules day" much more than I will! The children will have brought their tick sheet home today for this event. (there are many types of tattoos available not just animal! sorry)



Our EYFS staff team would like to request HELP!

We are looking to make contacts with people who work within any of the emergency services to try to arrange some visits into school so please let us know if you can help us.

If you have any worries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher, the office or me. Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Stinchon



Tuesday 10th January 2023

History man to visit school

KS1 Football Club starts 3.30-4.30pm with Mr Ross (letters have been sent home)



KS2 Cross country starts 3.30-4.30pm with Mrs Atkinson (letters have been sent home)



Thursday 12th January 2023

Break the rules day



Thursday 12th January 2023

YR5 - swimming lessons start



Thank you very much to Mrs D Smith and Mr A Jones who kindly donated their lottery winnings back to school. **Your School Lottery raises much needed funds for our PTFA. We really appreciate all our supporters but we would love more!**

If you would to support our PTFA and be in with a chance of winning, please visit; <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/>

Year 6



Last half term was a wonderful one for Year 6. The children all worked really hard and have made superb progress. This term is a really important one for all of the Year 6 children as they will begin preparations for the SATs in May. This means that there will be a little more homework than the children have previously had, it will also be important that the children bring their revision guides into school as I will give them directed activities to do from them.

Our topics this half term will include: The Vikings, electricity, sculpture and Buddhism and gymnastics. We are also looking forward to having another visit from our friends at Bradley Primary. The children already know we will be studying these areas and are really excited. In addition, we will be reading a variety of texts ; however, our main novel will be 'Anglo Saxon Boy', by Tony Bradman.

Spellings: Please ensure that your child learns both their weekly spellings as well as the words on their statutory word list. They receive spellings on a Monday and are tested on them on a Friday each week.

Reading: Please support your child at home by encouraging them to read daily and completing regular quizzes on Accelerated Reader – this helps us to track their reading and progression.

Maths: Homework is given out as required and the children are told when it is due. Please ensure your child has time to complete the tasks.

Revision Guides: If these haven't already been purchased, they can be bought through the office. The homework from these guides will be given out as required, but **usually** on a Friday and due in the following Tuesday,

Thank you, Mrs E Clarke eclarke@trawden.lancs.sch.uk

Monday	Tues	Wed	Thursday	Friday
Spellings given			PE - gymnastics	spelling + arithmetic test
This term we will be doing PE indoors and gymnastics and Lancashire guidance states that the children have to have bare feet for safety reasons — please ensure we are informed of any issues around this.				



BREAK THE RULES



BE A RULE BREAKER - JUST FOR ONE DAY!

As part of our "Rule of Law" theme week next week – on **Thursday 12th January** our PTFA are inviting the children to break our school rules for the day!

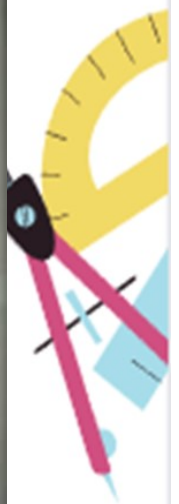
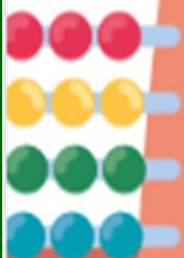
You choose how many rules you want to break, just for the day, and pay the price to our PTFA!

Complete the reply sheet and bring it on the day with your "payment fee", have fun!



BREAK THE RULES on Thursday 12th January – on this day and this day only you could:-

1. **Wear your own shoes (NOT school shoes)**
2. **Wear nail varnish to school**
3. **Have juice/squash in your water bottle instead of water**
4. **Get an animal tattoo done in school**
5. **Have a crazy hair style – or wear your hair down**
6. **Wear a non-uniform top**
7. **Wear a non-uniform bottom**
8. **Bring crisps, chocolate or sweets as a snack**
9. **Wear sunglasses**
10. **Bring a toy to school (NO electronics: Ipads, phones, internet devices etc)**



Reception



EYFS Spring 1 - People who help us

Welcome back EYFS! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas break and listening to you telling us about what you have been up to.



This half term our topic is 'People who help us'. The children will be exploring the different roles on this topic and there will be lots of discussions about all the different ways people help us. We are looking to make contacts with people who work within any of the emergency services to try to arrange some visits into school so please let us know if you can help us. We have lots of fun and exciting learning planned for the children, including designing and creating our own versions of emergency vehicles. We will also explore seasonal change and freezing and melting properties of ice through a variety of icy activities!

In PE we will link our learning with Transport to tie in with emergency vehicles and how some of the people who work for the emergency services have to tackle obstacles!

In Literacy we will be listening to stories based on people who help us. One story that ties in really well with this topic is the traditional tale of The Little Red Hen. It focusses on perseverance and the importance of helping us through the use of characters who are not so helpful, and we will explore how we can change that role.

In maths we will be learning about sequencing events before developing our understanding of zero. Then we'll investigate numbers to 5 by comparing numbers and looking at their composition. We will then move onto numbers 7, 8 & 9 before beginning to make pairs. As ever with our learning, the children will explore all of these concepts through our indoor and outdoor provision as well as in adult led groups.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Beetham and Mrs Smith and the whole EYFS/
Y1 Team.

Tuesday	Wednesday
Library book & home reading book change	Bug Club eBook assigned PE and Forest School

Year 1



EYFS & Year 1

We are so happy to welcome the children back and hear all about your Christmas celebrations.

This half term our topic is 'People Who Help Us' and we will be looking at all of those roles that provide help and service to others. In History the Year 1 children will be researching significant figures from the world of nursing Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell. If any parents have experience of nursing and would be willing to come in and tell us what it is like nowadays, please get in touch, we would love to hear your experiences. We will also be reading and writing about people who help us in fiction and non-fiction. In science the EYFS children will be exploring freezing and melting, whilst the Year 1 children will continue looking at the seasons and what winter is like.



Now that we have all settled into the school routine we will be inviting our EYFS children to come into school and leave via the Year 1 classroom, rather than through Reception. This will ensure they are in the correct classroom ready for registration and also enables staff and parents to communicate more freely.

Please catch us in a morning or afternoon if you wish to speak to us or if you need any help or advice.
Kind regards Mrs Alcock and Miss Whittam calcock@trawden.lancs.sch.uk

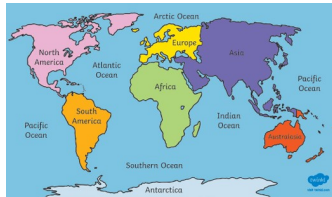
Mon	Tuesday	Wed	Thur	Friday
	Home Reading books changed			PE

This half term we will be doing PE indoors as we are doing gymnastics. However, children may need trainers on Tuesdays and Thursday for running at playtime. Year 1 will not have a regular Forest School session this half term, but will hopefully have time to fit in a few visits. Parents will be informed via parentmail when these sessions will be.



Our Year 2 children have returned from the Christmas break with a great attitude to learning and seem excited for what's to come this half-term. We will be taking part in Forest School this half term - so please remember waterproofs and wellies!

In art, we are looking at the work of different artists who use sculpture and will be creating our own out of a number of materials including clay and marshmallows!



In science, children will explore the useful properties of materials with a range of investigations involving absorbency and flexibility.

Our Geography unit this half-term is 'Our Wonderful World'. Year 2 will find the location of countries, continents and oceans of the world in relation to the position of the United Kingdom and children's own locality.

Please do not hesitate to talk to us at the door or contact us if you need anything or have any questions. Thank you, Miss Lambert and Miss Hart blambert@trawden.lancs.sch.uk

Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thur	Friday
PE - indoor and outdoor kit needed	Home Reading books changed			*Spelling and times table test *Homework Set *Forest school
The weekly spelling test will resume this half-term, the first list being posted to Seesaw on Friday 6 th January to be tested on Friday 13 th January. In addition to this, children will complete a weekly times table test, starting with the 10 times table. Please use Times Table Rockstars to help with your child's understanding. If you require a copy of their login details for TT Rockstars, or have any other questions, please let me know.				



Welcome back, Year 4! We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and thank you to the children to added posts to Seesaw, so we could see all of the great things you got up to! This half term, we are joined by Miss Cowell (a trainee teacher), who will teaching the children some of the foundation subjects.

This half term in English we will be creating a Newspaper Report linked to the text 'Wizards of Once' by Cressida Cowell before moving on to explore poetry.



As we begin Maths, we will be looking at multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100, factor pairs and how to multiply and divide using a more formal method. After this, we will be learning about the areas of shapes and how these can be calculated.

In Science, we will be looking at 'States of Matter' to learn about solids, liquids and gasses. We will be discovering how the properties of materials can change i.e. how can we make chocolate into a liquid? How do wet clothes dry?



In Geography, we are focusing on The Lake District and comparing the physical and human features. We will be improving our map skills by using a range of maps from satellite to OS Maps. We will look at Scafell Pike and how the contour lines on maps show us that this is a mountain. We have linked our DT topics of mechanical posters in with our Geography learning and are aiming to create a moving poster linked with The Lake District. We have no Forest School this half term as this has been postponed until Spring 2.

Thank you, Mr Loynds & Mr Lomax

Mon	Tues	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bring in your reading book every day to read in class.				
		PE	Homework Due In	Spelling Test / New Spellings
				Homework Set



Welcome back after the Christmas holidays, we hope you had a lovely time whatever you chose to do. All of the children look like they have grown so much and were excited to hear about all of the things we have to do this half term.



This half term we are looking at 'The Wonders of the Universe', which will focus on learning all about space! This will link to our Science, Geography, Art and English work. If you have any newspaper at home we would really appreciate it as we can use it for our solar system creations, or if you have a passion for space and astronomy then please do get in touch. We have many more exciting learning opportunities across this half term also.

Tag Rugby sessions with Coach Darren are a **Monday** for four weeks **from Monday 9th January**. Your child will need their indoor and outdoor PE kit on a Monday for this, as the training will happen inside or outside depending upon the weather. The final week of the half term will include a tournament so there will not be a session then. I know how well the children did at this last year so I'm sure they will once again be successful.



Swimming sessions are every **Thursday from Thursday 12th January** at Colne Sports Centre. All children will need a towel and swimming costume or trunks (not swimming shorts) in an appropriate bag. **If your child has an inhaler this will also need to be taken to the pool.**



Pendle Leisure Centre now insist on the use of swimming hats for children (both boys and girls) who have long hair (shoulder length or longer). We are therefore requesting that you provide a swimming hat for your child if they fit into this category.

Jewellery is not permitted in the pool. Therefore, earrings and watches should be removed by the children before leaving school and given to the teacher for safekeeping until they return.

Goggles may only be worn in exceptional circumstances (medical issues) due to safety reasons. These rules are based on Health and Safety regulations set down by Lancashire County Council and are non-negotiable. If your child has a medical reason for wearing goggles please request a permission form from the office, complete it and return it to the office before the first lesson.

Furthermore, **Forest School** is every **Friday** during this half term. Your child should come appropriately, warmly clothed for outdoor activities, including a change of footwear in keeping with the outdoor weather conditions.



Homework will be **set on a Friday** from Friday 13th January. This includes MyMaths and Spellings appropriate for your child. **Spelling Tests** will be on a **Thursday**. Times Tables Rock Stars is set to adapt and develop in difficulty as your child plays with the software as often as they play. Five minutes as often as possible is sufficient. Your child always has a book to read from our library and can quiz using accelerated reader at home or in school.

Please do get in touch if there is anything we can help you with.

Kind regards, Mrs Dixon, Mrs Waters and Miss Gallagher

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Tag Rugby – PE Kit needed	Book change Day		<p>*Homework due in</p> <p>*Spelling test</p> <p>*Swimming</p>	<p>*Homework Set – reading, Spellings (Seesaw) TTRS and My Maths</p> <p>*Forest School</p>



In Year 3, our topic for this half-term is 'The Iron Man' which will certainly be attractive! In our science work, we shall explore magnets whereas in our history work, we will be exploring the time from the Stone Age up to the Iron Age.



This half-term, we will also be doing PE indoors as we are learning gymnastics skills. Please ensure that your child has their



PE kit in school. It is often easier to bring it at the start of the term so that your child can keep it on their peg for the duration of the half-term. We will then send it home for washing so that it can be freshly laundered for the next

half-term.

There will NO Forest School for Year 3 during this half-term.



In Year 3, children are expected to bring their homework/personalised learning book and their reading book in with them EVERY day. Please ensure that your child has the correct equipment each day. At home, please remember to hear your child read. A little each day is better than a longer slot only once a week. Children can access Accelerated Reader to complete quizzes on the books they have read and TTRockstars to practise their times tables. Please follow the links on the school website under 'Pupil Zone'. If your child has forgotten their log-in details, please contact Mrs Atkinson:

katkinson@trawden.lancs.sch.uk

Homework will continue to be in their personalised learning book. A list of your child's spellings will also be available on Seesaw each week. Please support your child in completing their homework at home. If for any reason, they are unable to complete this at home, a homework club will be available in class on a Wednesday lunchtime.

Many thanks for your support and a Happy New Year to you all. We hope that you've managed to have some family time making some wonderful memories.

Kind regards, Mrs Atkinson, Mrs Whitaker, Miss Jones & Mr Lomax

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thursday	Friday
			Homework due in	PE
			Spelling Test	Homework set:
			Times Table Test	spellings and times tables in their home-work/personalised learning book

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