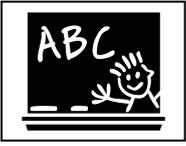


# Thomas Russell Junior School

'Pupil's welfare and well-being are at the heart of the school's work' Ofsted March 2018.

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# Sports Newsletter



Autumn 2018

**Wow! What a busy half term we have had! At TRJS we are incredibly proud of our sporting successes. However, these would not be possible without a large team of people.**

## THANK YOU

**Mrs Vardy and Miss Marston for organising the teams and fixtures.**

**Mrs Jackson and Mrs Chaddock for sending out the letters and organising the kit.**

**All of the teachers for their fantastic PE lessons that contribute to our success at competitions.**

**Parents who have transported the children to events and offered lots of support**

## **22.10.18 TRJS v Richard Wakefield HOME (Dove Valley CUP)**

Miss Marston and her team hosted Richard Wakefield at home for this next stage of the Dove Valley Cup.

Team: Samuel, Sam, Lucas, Johnny, Ted, Bonnie, Oliver, Vinnie, Finley and George.

Score:

## **18.10.18 Netball (Dove Valley)**

Mrs Vardy took a team of budding netballers to Shobnall Leisure Complex for our annual netball tournament. This was the qualifying round to sort the teams into an Upper and Lower league.

The final competitions will be played later on in the year. Watch this space for news of how the girls get on at the next stage of the competition!

Team: Molly, Charlotte, Bella, Orla, Louise, Lucy and Amelia.

## **17.10.18 St Peters v TRJS AWAY (Dove Valley League)**

This has been a very busy for Miss Marston and her football team! This was the second match of the week. Once again, our team showed their amazing sportsmanship, sadly we didn't win, but Miss Marston was incredibly proud of the team.

Team: Samuel, Sam, Jay, Johnny, Ted, Bonnie, Oliver, Vinnie and Finley.

## **17.10.18 Table Tennis**

Following our success at the previous table tennis session hosted by John Taylor High School, we were invited back for an additional session. For the first time ever, Mrs Vardy is entering

TRJS into the Staffordshire Schools' Table Tennis Association competition and this session was an excellent opportunity to select a team of children to represent TRJS at the competition. Thank you to Mr Evans, Mrs Berry and the Sporting Ambassadors for a fantastic opportunity. Watch this space for further news about how the team get on at the competition.

### **15.10.18 TRJS v John of Rolleston HOME (Dove Valley League)**

Miss Marston and team hosted John of Rolleston at home. A huge thank you to Miss Marston for stepping in at the last moment to referee the match when our referee cancelled at the final minute. Without her, this match would have had to be cancelled, THANK YOU! A special mention also has to go to Ethan, who scored our only goal of the match.

Team: Finley, Jay, Mica, Finley, Cameron, Daniel, Archie, Ethan and Oliver.

Score: 1-7

### **11.10.18 Boccia (ESSP) at Robert Sutton High School**

Mrs Vardy took three teams of children to the Boccia competition. All three teams were fantastic and played incredibly well. One of our teams, captained by Caitlin, even made it through the grand final!

Teams: Joshua, Jessica, George, Caitlin, Harry, Tristan, Laura, Cameron, Molly and George.

### **11.10.18 Smoothie Bike Visit**

Thank you to Mellors for bringing a Smoothie maker bike into school. Each class had the opportunity to create their own unique smoothies by selecting different fruits and juices and then blending them with the use of pedal power!



### **05.10.18 Football Tournament Burton Albion Football Pirelli Stadium Dove Valley**

A huge congratulations to Miss Marston and the team who won the tournament! Miss Marston was incredibly proud of her team of talented players, especially as they showed such fantastic sportsmanship throughout the whole tournament. Look out for the trophy in our cabinet at the front of school!

Team: Samuel, Sam, Lucas, Johnny, Ted, George, Bonnie and Oliver.

### **04.10.18 John of Rolleston AWAY (Dove Valley Cup)**

Miss Marston took our team to John of Rolleston. This was a hard fought match, but well done to our triumphant team who secured a victory!

Team: Finley, Cameron, Jay, Vinnie, Mica, Harry, Dylan, Finley, Leandro and Daniel.

Score: 3-8

### **03.10.18 PE Update**

We were joined by a number of colleagues from across Staffordshire to discuss that latest updates to PE and School Sport. We were very pleased to welcome visitors to our school and look forward to hosting more events in the future.

### **03.10.18 Cheerleading Course**

This week we hosted an Introduction to Cheerleading course. Teachers from across Staffordshire attended the course. Our children also got the chance to join at break time! Even Mrs Sharpe couldn't resist having a go!

The adults both attending the course and running the course were extremely complimentary about the behaviour of our children and the lovely school grounds that we have.

We are looking forward to welcoming more of our colleagues back to TRJS for future training.



### **02.10.18 Gifted and Talented Table Tennis session at JTHS 3.40-5pm**

Mrs Berry (John Taylor High School PE), kindly invited us to join her team of Sporting Ambassadors for a table tennis session. Mrs Vardy took 15 Y5 and Y6 children to the event. We had a brilliant time being taught how to play Table Tennis with Mr Evans. It was great to see so many ex-TRJS pupils who have gone onto great success at JTHS as Sporting Ambassadors.



I am pleased to say that following our success at this event, we are going to be entering two teams into the County Competitions. Keep looking out for further information!  
Thank you to Mrs Berry, Mr Evans and the Sporting Ambassadors for organising this fantastic event.

### **01.10.18 The well-being pod arrives!**

At Thomas Russell Junior, we are committed to ensuring the well-being of all of our staff as well as the children in school. This week we had a well-being pod in the staffroom. The pod provided information about health and how to stay healthy and well.

### **28.09.18 Bubbles Golden Time!**

Argos have very kindly donated bubbles to TRJS! We had a wonderful Golden Time blowing bubbles and enjoying being outside. The great news is that there are still plenty of bubbles left, so Mrs Vardy will be running the same Golden Time activity for the rest of the half term! A HUGE thank you to Argos for their kind gift!

### **28.09.18 Mrs Vardy Link Governor Meeting**

Mrs Vardy met with Mr Tim Gee to discuss PE and School Sport across the curriculum.

### **27.09.18 TRJS v William Shrewsbury HOME Dove Valley League**

Miss Marston's football team were in action again this week, playing William Shrewsbury at home. Thank you to Miss Marston for organising the fixture and the team and to Liam from BACT for kindly agreeing to referee the match for us.

### **27.09.18 Y3 1.15-1.45pm Taster Sessions**

Chris Harding led a fantastic 'taster session' for Y3 children. They played some Tag Rugby games and had great fun being active. If you are interested in joining the Sports Stars club on a Tuesday after school from 3.30-4.30pm, please speak to the office.

### **27.09.18 Thomas Russell v William Shrewsbury HOME (Dove Valley League)**

Miss Marston and the team hosted William Shrewsbury at home. Unfortunately we lost the match, but all of our players were fantastic and played well.

Team: Samuel, Mica, Sam, Ted, Oliver, Johnny, Daniel, George, Lucas and Bonnie.

Score: 1-3

### **25.09.18 Y5 1.15-1.45pm Sports Stars Taster Sessions**

Chris Harding led a fantastic 'taster session' for Y5 children. They played some Tag Rugby games and had great fun being active. If you are interested in joining the Sports Stars club on a Tuesday after school from 3.30-4.30pm, please speak to the office.

### **24.09.18 Y6 Bikeability**

Year 6 had a brilliant day building upon their cycling skills learnt in Years 4 and 5. They practised the Level 1 and 2 skills previously learnt before moving onto more challenging skills. You may have seen them cycling around the village!

### **20.09.18 Richard Wakefield v TRJS Football AWAY (Dove Valley League)**

Miss Marston took our football team to Richard Wakefield to play our first match of the season!

Team: Samuel, Jay, Sam, Ted, Cameron, Johnny, Daniel, George, Lucas and Bonnie.

Score: 2-2

### **14.09.18 Walk to School - 10 minute zone**

At TRJS we are passionate about children leading healthy and active lives. We offer three hours of PE every week, a wide variety of clubs and sporting fixtures as well as active break and lunchtimes.

We would really appreciate your help and support with encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle out of school. A good way to start each day with activity is to walk from home to school. Not only does this offer an active start to the day, but it also greatly reduces the amount of traffic around the school area. Less traffic around our children means less pollution and greater safety.

If you are unable to walk to school, you can still get involved! Today, your child(ren) will have come home with a 10 minute walk zone map. We would like to encourage all families who travel by car to park outside of the PURPLE zone and walk the last ten minutes of the journey into school. Barton Marina is just one example of a fantastic area outside of our PURPLE zone due to the large amount of parking available and the well-lit path directly from the carpark into school.

### **04.09.18 Dove Valley Meeting**

Mrs Vardy and Miss Marston attended the Dove Valley meeting at Shobnall Primary School. We set dates for all of the competitions that are going to be happening this year. Miss Marston also booked in fixtures for both the Dove Valley Cup and League matches.

Thank you to Shobnall Primary School for hosting the meeting and organising the fixt