

# Thomas Russell Junior School

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## Newsletter



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### Residentials @ Home

We are absolutely delighted to share full details of our Residentials @ Home. Please take the time to read the attachment carefully and share the information with your children. There is a consent form which **MUST** be completed before children will be able to take part. We hope the children are as excited as we are, and look forward to seeing them push themselves outside their comfort zone and work together to achieve 😊

### Reading Ambassadors

We are really pleased to offer the opportunity for pupils to become one of TRJS's new Reading Ambassadors. This will be an important role to spread our love and enthusiasm for books across school and within the wider community. It is about creating a positive environment for reading for pleasure and sharing in the enjoyment of reading a great book. It is about inspiring others and supporting peers to become confident, independent readers. It is about gathering ideas and opinions and representing the voice of fellow pupils.

Candidates should not only be avid readers themselves but also demonstrate effective leadership qualities, such as reliable time-keeping, good organisational/communication skills and above all, being a friendly and approachable face to children across Year 3-6. For more information regarding duties, please see the poster overleaf and around school.

To apply for the position, your child will need to write a letter (no more than one side of A4 paper) or make a video of themselves detailing:

1. Why they want the job
2. How and why they would be a good reading ambassador
3. What they love about reading and their favourite authors
4. A few suggestions about how we could develop reading in school.

Our Reading Ambassadors will be selected based upon their love of reading and their enthusiasm to share this with others. Applications should be returned to Miss Murfin by **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June**.

Good luck and best wishes,

Miss Claire Murfin  
English Subject Lead

### Barton Green Spaces Survey

Please also find attached to the Newsletter a poster and survey from Barton Parish Council which you may be interested in completing.

# WANTED!

# READING AMBASSADORS



Do you love reading? Then TRJS needs you...

We are inviting applications from Y3, Y4 and Y5 pupils who are interested in undertaking this important new job. Our Reading Ambassadors must love to read and want to inspire others to read too. You should be able to suggest ways in which we can promote reading for pleasure across school and be on hand to offer book advice or run reading activities with other pupils. You will be expected to attend a meeting every half term with Miss Murfin and provide regular support with our reading scheme and Reading Café events. You will represent the pupil voice of TRJS on reading!

Interested? Then apply now...!

## KEY DUTIES

**READ, REVIEW AND  
RECOMMEND BOOKS  
TO OTHERS**

**ORGANISE AND LEAD  
READING ACTIVITIES AT  
BREAK/LUNCH TIMES**

**HELP TO RUN READING  
CAFÉS AND BOOK FAIRS**

**LISTEN TO OTHERS  
READ AND PROVIDE  
SUPPORT AS A  
READING BUDDY**

**MONITOR AND  
MAINTAIN READING  
SCHEME BOOKS**



*Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe*