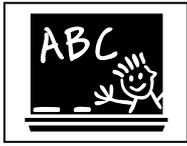


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Inspiring all, achieving together.



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Bake Sale

Thank you to parents for your kind donations and support of Callum, Joe and Harvey's Bake Sale on 12th February. The children raised an amazing £211.94 to be shared between Cancer Research and British Heart Foundation.

Superb achievement - well done boys.



Mrs Haywood

I have to inform you that Mrs Haywood remains unwell and her recovery is going to take longer than initially anticipated.

To be fair to both herself and the children she has decided to tender her resignation to allow herself the time she needs to get well.

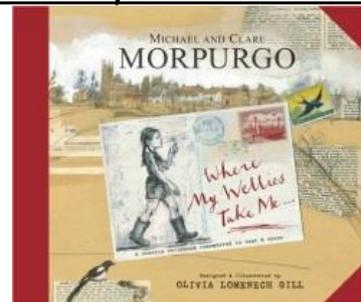
We know parents and children will all join us in sending her our thoughts and best wishes.

Y5 to Laches Wood

Good luck to our Y5 children who are off to Laches Wood for four nights on Monday. Please bring children into school via the front entrance with their bag(s). Please remember purses and medicines will be collected in the hall by staff so should be packed separately. Valuables such as cameras and watches are not required, but if taken are the children's own responsibility. No other electrical items are allowed. Once parents have said quick goodbyes in the hall, they are welcome to come back outside to Gilmour Lane and wave the coach off - it is anticipated we will depart at approximately 9:30 or asap once the coach is loaded. We are sure the children will have a brilliant time, with an action packed timetable for the week.

Have fun and be brilliant!

Where My Wellies Take Me...



Don't forget to bring your wellies to school for World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. On Friday 4th March, children have the option to dress as a book character for the day. Please note this is not a non-uniform day - those not wishing to dress as a book character should just wear normal uniform.

On Friday 11th March at 2:30 Y5 will lead an assembly: 'My Wellies Took Me to Laches Wood!' Parents of Y5 children are warmly invited to join us for this.

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YMCA collection



We had another superb collection for the YMCA this morning. Again we were delighted by the generosity of parents and thankful for your support of this worthwhile cause. Thank you to all of the parents who helped to collect and transport the donations to the YMCA.

Friends of TRJS

Hi - I'd just like to introduce the new committee of the Friends of Thomas Russell Junior School (FTRJS). Email address friends@trjs.co.uk. I'm Steph, Co-chair I have two children at the junior school, Dan in year 6 and Lydia in year 4. Jayne also Co-chair has Will in year 4, Jess as Secretary who has Benji in year 4, Mandy as Treasurer who has Callam in year 4 and Mrs Alcock as Vice Chair TA working in year 6.

I really hope that going forward you feel you are comfortable to attend meetings (only 3 a year)

If you have never attended before I promise you will be made very welcome, or to pledge your support to help at events as and when you can.

Your support will always be appreciated 😊

Details will always be shared with everyone on the newsletter as to what is coming up and what help is required. As a parent you are a member of the Friends and your opinion / ideas count so please feel free to speak to me directly or any of the committee, attend meetings or email

friends@trjs.co.uk

The funds raised by the Friends do provide our children with those extras that school just

doesn't have the budget for. Recently the Friends have provided a trolley of 16 iPads, the outdoor classroom, the trim trail, sports kit, playground equipment and games.

I'm sure that there are plenty of ideas out there for things to improve or enhance our children's time in school.....

Events coming up

Thursday 24th March - 2pm-3pm - Coffee Hour running alongside the Decorated Egg competition in school. Approximately 12 helpers required from 1.30pm (please email if you can)
Cake donations on the day please.

Friday 15th April - Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle or chocolates.

Wednesday 20th April - Spring Fair (previously Autumn Fair) 3.45pm - where the year 6 children create their own stalls. Friends will run alongside them: Tombola, Refreshments and Cake stall. Helpers required: approximately 10 from 3pm, (please email if you can)
Cake donations on the day please.

Next Friends meeting in school 3.30 - 4.30pm on Wednesday 4th May.

Thanks Steph.

Not sure what a Decorated Egg Competition is?

It's the most egg-citing day of the year!

It's the chance for children (aka parents) to get creative! In the past entries have included all sorts; from Eggs Factor judges to egg-stinct dinosaurs, New York skyscraper to a WWII bomb shell-ter and a whole host of other egg-cellent ideas. These should be brought to school on the last day of term, where our lunchtime staff will select winners from each year group. Every entry wins a Freddo!

Parents joining us for our Coffee Afternoon will be able to view the amazing work.

Best wishes, Mrs S Sharpe

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