



Newsletter



Issue No.5

Headteacher: Mr J Emery

Friday 17 October



	w/b 13.10.25
Year 3	97.6%
Year 4	97.5%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	98.4%
TRJS Overall	97.5%

Well done everyone. Heroes once again! We have achieved our target of 97.5% so 5 minutes extra playtime next week. 😊

HOT CHOCOLATE WITH MR EMERY

Congratulations to everyone who has received the **TRJS Weekly Values Award** today and will be sharing hot chocolate and biscuits with Mr Emery next week. Don't forget to be ready to tell us all about your hobbies and interests out of school. Oh, and jokes are always good!

Year 3	Henry W and Oliver B
Year 4	Holly M and Riley G
Year 5	Violet D and Olivia H
Year 6	Aadham M and Callum W

New Y4 Reading Ambassadors Announcement! By Miss Murfin

A big thank you to those Y4 pupils who have submitted applications to become a TRJS Reading Ambassador. I have thoroughly enjoyed viewing your videos and reading through your ideas. You are all such enthusiastic and knowledgeable readers, which is wonderful to see! Congratulations to the following successful candidates upon their appointment:

- Eryn F
- Beth M-J
- Leo J
- Madeline J
- Orla C
- Gia G
- Oscar M



ALL Reading Ambassadors should watch out for a letter coming home regarding our forthcoming meetings. We have a busy Autumn 2 schedule ahead! 😊

Woodland Warriors

TRJS Woodland Warriors were very proud to receive a visit from Ian Heyter, the Sherriff of Lichfield. Our school won 3rd place in the environmental competition and were presented with lots of gifts for the school including £50 worth of spring bulbs to plant. Mrs Veevers and the club had made a mini pond and encouraged various wildlife. Many of the children who have been involved over the last year were keen to have a photo opportunity. Well done to everyone and a special thank you to Mrs Veevers, who does a brilliant job leading the Woodland Warriors on a Tuesday night after school.



Super Gymnastics

Poppy came home with two medals from her gymnastics competition on Sunday. She competed against several other clubs and she won gold with her team and came 5th place overall individually. What an amazing achievement Poppy, well done!



Parent Pay

As half term fast approaches, may we remind parents to ensure that all debts on Parent Pay are cleared? This includes dinners, trips and Wrap Around Care.

Thank you

Harvest

We have sent out a Microsoft Form to gauge how many parents wish to attend the Harvest assembly on Thursday 23 October at 9.10am. Please complete this by 9am on Monday. The assembly is expected to last about 40 minutes; we will confirm the exact start time once we know the number of parents attending (we may need to do 2 assemblies, one at 9.10 and one and 9.40am). We will confirm the details on Monday.

Skipping

We had a fantastic whole-school skipping event on Friday 10th October! We met in the hall to find out more about the benefits of skipping for our mental and physical health. Following the assembly, each class had a 40-minute workshop to improve their skipping skills. There were lots of competitions and races to test out our new skills. At the end of the day every child was given their own skipping rope to take children skipping at break times and lunchtimes. Please do send us in any photos of you skipping at home to share on our next newsletter!

Mrs Vardy



Year 5 and Year 6 Residential

Year 5 Laches Wood (11-13 March 2026) – a letter has gone out to all parents of Year 5 children to confirm the details. Parents are reminded that the deposit of £20 needs to be on Parent Pay by Thursday 23 October to secure your child's place.

Please see the reports for Day 1 and Day 2 of the Year 6 residential to Whitemoor Lakes (1-3 October 2025) at the end of the newsletter. Thank you to the staff who volunteer to take the children on these trips and give them such a wonderful experience.

With the children's lovely harvest singing ringing in my ears, I wish everyone a lovely weekend.

J Emery

Dates for the Diary

Monday 3 November - Y6 Library Visit

Monday 10 November - Y5 Library Visit

Tuesday 11 November – Y6 House and Vice-Captains will participate in the Remembrance Service at 11am at Barton Memorial.

Monday 17 November – Y4 Library Visit

Monday 17 and Wednesday 19 November – Book Fayre (3.30-4.30pm in school hall)

Thursday 20 November – Flu Vaccinations

Friday 21 November – Reading Ambassadors 3.30-4.30

Monday 24 November – Y3 Library Visit

Monday 1 December – Small choir to sing at Tea and Chat in Village Hall.

Tuesday 2 December and Tuesday 9 December – Parent Consultations (4.00-6.30pm)

Wednesday 10 December – Christmas Dinner for pupils

Tuesday 16 December – Christmas Performances (10am and 11am). This will be 2 performances due to the restrictions of numbers in the Church. Each performance will include 2 houses from Y3-6. We will confirm the exact timings after half term

Friday 19 December – Trip to Red Carpet Cinema for ALL children. (Further details to follow)

After School Clubs

What	Provider	When	Year Group	Cost	Information
Dodgeball	<u>Soccerstars</u>	Mondays 03/11, 10/11, 17/11, 24/11, 01/12, 08/12,	Y3-6	£33	www.soccerstars.co.uk Soccer Stars also accept childcare vouchers
Football	<u>Soccerstars</u>	Tuesdays 04/11, 11/11, 18/11, 25/11, 02/12, 09/12, 16/12	Y3-6	£38.50	www.soccerstars.co.uk Soccer Stars also accept childcare vouchers.
Woodland Warriors	Mrs Veevers	Tuesdays 04/11, 11/11, 18/11, 25/11, 02/12, 09/12	Y3-6	£42	www.schoolinterviews.co.uk Code:5spq7 Pay on parent pay please.
Keyboard Club	Hot House Music	Tuesdays 04/11, 11/11, 18/11, 25/11, 02/12, 09/12,	Y3-6	£3 Weekly	https://hhmusic.co.uk/school/burton/ Scroll to the bottom and click on TRJS Extra Curricular
Table Tennis Club	Mr Kerr	Wednesdays 05/11, 12/11, 19/11, 26/11, 03/12, 10/12,	Y3-6	£18	www.schoolinterviews.co.uk Code:5spq7 Pay on parent pay please.
Drama Club	Mrs Thompson	Thursdays 06/11, 20/11, 27/11, 04/12, 11/12		£5	Children have already signed up for this. Payment of £6 for this half term to be paid on ParentPay.
Rugby	Mr Tolley	Thursdays 06/11, 13/11, 20/11, 27/11, 04/12, 11/12	Y4-6	£18	www.schoolinterviews.co.uk Code:5spq7 Pay on parent pay please.

- Please note that booking for **Soccerstars and HotHouse Music** can be made directly with them via their link.
- The booking for **School Interviews** will open at **6pm on Monday 20 October**.
- **Choir** - we will be practising songs for our Christmas performances (Tea and Chat at the Village Hall and the switching on of the lights at the end of November). We will invite a willing band of singers who have attended rehearsals to perform at these events before the end of term.
- Please note that **Rugby** has changed to a Thursday.



Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes 2025

Day 1



A great first day was had by all! Whitemoor Lakes is a modern centre and very well designed for accommodating groups of this age. After the usual settling in and making beds (fun for the boys 😊), Year 6 started all the activities, including climbing, circus skills and archery. Evening meal tonight was a delicious chicken dinner which one child described as “banging”. The main meal was followed by a very tasty chocolate cake. Everyone seemed to eat very well and there was very little left!

This evening, the eagerly anticipated disco arrived. Great excitement! When Mr Emery joined the group this afternoon, two girls asked him, “Have you brought your disco clothes?”. The reply was in the negative! Safe to say, many of the girls (and some boys) made an effort and got their glad rags on to boogie on down.

While Miss Murfin and the disco guys danced the night away, we also had use of the games room next door, with the TRJS table tennis stars hard at work, together with a pool table, connect four and general chilling out with friends. The WML shop was open and Year 6 enjoyed buying various souvenirs. The session finished with everyone singing happy birthday to Eris (we have cup-cakes to share out tomorrow – yum!).

After a long and very busy day, the weary heads retired to their dorms, used their posh en-suite facilities and we had lights out at about 9pm.

The majority of children have gone to sleep very sensibly. The first night is always tricky for some of us as everything is different and we are away from home. But, well done team Year 6 TRJS for being brave, kind and excelling on day 1. Here’s hoping we get at least a few hours’ sleep!

Mr E and the Year 6 Team







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Day 2



We have survived day 2! Despite one or two children feeling unwell, Year 6 soldiered on and achieved amazing things today, fuelled by: food fit for kings and queens, fun activities and great teamwork.

Breakfast was a delicious full English including: cereal, yoghurt, sausages, bacon, hash browns, beans and toast. Who could ask for more? Lunch was burgers, wedges and salad; a tasty meal devoured by the hungry crew. Tea tonight was spaghetti, meat balls, cauliflower cheese and garlic bread, followed by a waffle. What a banquet!

Activities today were a variety of enjoyable challenges. Abseiling, Gladiator, Archery, Nightline and Circus Skills were among the highlights.



After tea tonight, we all enjoyed a good sing

with camp-fire hilarity, followed by free time with games in the hall accompanied by hot chocolate and biscuits. The children retired to their dorms with lights out at about 9.30pm. All is quiet on the WML front so far 😊.



Tomorrow morning the guys will pack bags, get ready for the last few activities and tidy up their rooms (yes, even the lads!). It has been a joy to see so many children embrace new challenges, help each other out and push their limits to achieve their very BEST.

Tomorrow we are due to leave WML at 2pm so expect to be back in Gilmour Lane (the place we belong!) by about 2.15pm. Younger siblings can be collected from school at 2.10pm. Please leave the lane free for the coach to park and any help from parents getting the cases out of the coach would be much appreciated. A brilliant few days, Year 6. Well done everyone. Thank you to Mrs Vardy for leading the trip, Mrs Patrick for all her organising behind the scenes and Miss Murfin, Mrs Shorthouse and Mrs Vydellingum for being there throughout to support all the children. I think we all need a big sleep! 😊



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