



Newsletter



Issue No.14

Headteacher: Mr J Emery

Friday 16 January



	w/b 12.01.26
Year 3	98.7%
Year 4	97.9%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	93.8%
TRJS Overall	96.4%

Overall, our attendance of 96.4% is good. A special mention to Year 3 and Year 4 who have hit the school target this week! A reminder to all parents to check the school term dates and ensure that holidays are planned out of term time. Thank you for your support.

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! This week was an excellent week for jokes, which we will share in assembly:

What do you call a mummy covered in chocolate and nuts? Pharaoh Rocher!

What do you call a poorly number? Sick seven!

Year 3	Ben T, James W
Year 4	Freddie M, Trixie C
Year 5	Cillian Mc, Beatrix R
Year 6	Finley A, Iris B

KEEPING SAFE

Thank you to all the parents who do not drive their cars into the school car park. We are planning a barrier system which will be installed shortly, but until that time, we ask all parents to refrain from driving into the car park. Thank you for working together to keep our children safe.



Music in Assemblies

Coming soon...Otis (aka Elton John, Chris Martin or Freddie Mercury!) will be singing and playing Castle on the Hill by Ed Sheeran. We look forward to every concert from Otis.

We have many talented children, so please encourage them to come forward and volunteer to play for us. Children are asked to come and see Mr E at break time and we will pop you on the list to play in assembly.

Let's keep music live and share your amazing talents!

Spring Term Dates for the Diary

Thursday 22 January (3pm)	Young Voices Worldwide Wicked Sing-a-long (School Hall)
Thursday 29 January	Headteachers from the JTMAT visit TRJS for the day
Friday 30 January	National Maths Championship Heats (in school)
	Reading Ambassadors meet (3.30pm)
Friday 6 February (3.30pm)	Tuck Shop after school to fundraise for school
Friday 13 February	Choir to Young Voices (from 11am – back VERY late. Time TBC)
Monday 23 February	Y6 Library Visit
Thursday 26 and Friday 27 February	Pickleball Workshops in school
Monday 2 March	Y5 Library Visit
Thursday 5 March	World Book Day
Friday 6 March	School Nurse to talk to Y6 (girls and boys) and Y5 girls
Monday 9 March	TRJS Governors visit school
	Y4 Library Visit
Wednesday 11-Friday 13 March	Y5 Residential to Laches Wood
Monday 16 March	Y3 Library Visit
W/c 16 March	Community Fundraiser event (Chocolate Bingo etc)
Friday 20 March	Reading Ambassadors meet (3.30pm)
Tuesday 24 and Wednesday 25 March	Parents' Evenings (4pm-6.45pm)
Wednesday 25 March	ALL DAY rehearsal for Annie (in school)
Thursday 26 March	Annie - Performance to the school (10am)
	Annie - Performance to parents (6pm)
Friday 27 March	LAST DAY OF TERM

Further information regarding some of the above events will be sent out to parents in due course.

Wishing everyone a pleasant weekend.

J Emery



Thomas Russell Junior School



Term Dates 2025 -2026

Spring Term 2026

Term Starts:	Monday 5 January
Half Term:	Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February
Term Ends:	Friday 27 March
Holiday:	Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April
Easter Sunday:	Sunday 5 April

Summer Term 2026

Term Starts:	Monday 13 April
May Day:	Monday 4 May
Sports Day:	Tuesday 19 th May
Half Term:	Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May
Inset Day (School closed for pupils):	Friday 3 July
Term Ends for Pupils:	Friday 17 July
Inset Day (School closed for pupils):	Monday 20 July
Holiday:	Tuesday 21 July – Monday 31 August