

Friday 3rd December 2021- Newsletter 11

A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is starting to feel a lot like Christmas at TPA. We had a wonderful time at Tadcaster Christmas market and the children did themselves proud. We also had our own Christmas tree on display at the local methodist church. Thanks to Mrs Bairstow for getting this ready to show and to Dean Wilson Jennings who brought it back to school and with a bit of help from our school site manager the tree is now proudly on display in the school hall.



We look forward to a special end of term with the Christmas movie evening, the Christmas plays for Early Years and the rest of school and we might even have a special visitor heading our way too...ho ho ho. We may be a little more restricted with our plans but we won't let the current circumstances stop us from getting in the festive spirit.

I hope that you are also getting into the festive spirit too. We hear there are quite a few elves (on shelves) that have been causing havoc around the homes of Tadcaster...

Caroline Towler,
Headteacher

Our school attendance this week is:

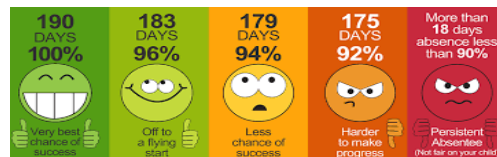
Our school attendance target is 97%.

This week's whole school attendance is:

Venus Reception:91.25% **Jupiter: 96.5%**

Saturn:98.7% **Top team attendance :) Neptune:93.08%**

*As Government guidance states, your child's attendance is compulsory in school and unless they are unwell or isolating; we ask that you ensure they are in school, on time, every day.



Tadcaster Christmas Market

Big thanks to all those families who supported our Key Stage Two after school Music club at Tadcaster Christmas market. The children did themselves proud and represented Team TPA brilliantly. They sang several songs including We are back!, Everybody sing along, It was on a Starry Night, Away in a Manger and The First Christmas. We got some lovely feedback and we had a great introduction from radio station 'York Mix' who were also there on Sunday.



Sara from the local town council wrote a lovely email of thanks to Mrs Oldfield and myself - some of which is shared below. We have already been invited back next year and we can't wait!

'I write to formally thank you both and the children for their fantastic performance on Sunday. The choir was a lovely addition to the market and we hope the children really enjoyed the day. Please could you convey our thanks, best wishes and season's greetings to everyone involved.'

UPDATED: Dates for your diary



Please see dates for this term's diary. We will always try to give you as much notice as possible if circumstances mean that dates need amending.

Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Thursday 9th December	TPAC: Christmas Movie Night (Years 1-6) Games at 5pm and Polar Express movie time at 5.45pm. Please make sure that you have completed the slip from the letter that came out on Monday and have paid the £3.50 ticket price to secure your child's place.
Friday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day - your child can come to school wearing their own choice of Christmas jumper or just a bright and cheerful one with perhaps some added tinsel. Donate a £1 coin or anything you can afford and raise money for a great cause: Save the Children. Christmas Dinner - there will be a change to the advertised meal choice and the children will be given the opportunity to enjoy turkey and all the trimmings! Please ensure you book your meal choice in good time to help the kitchen prepare.
Tuesday 14th December	Early Years Christmas Extravaganza for parents and carers (school hall) 2pm - Two tickets per family. Please ensure that you wear a mask, sanitise your hands on entry and have had a negative LFT result prior to joining us. Information about tickets will be shared next week.
Wednesday 15th December	Christmas performance in St Mary's Church, Tadcaster (Y1-6) 2pm Two tickets per family. Please ensure that you wear a mask, sanitise your hands on entry and have had a negative LFT result prior to joining us. Information about tickets will be shared next week.
Friday 17th December	Visit from Father Christmas - We are lucky enough to be welcoming our special visitor on the last day of term and he has a sack full of presents to share from our very own grotto! Christmas Sing Around the Tree at 2pm - Please note this may need to take place outdoors depending on numbers so please wrap up warm. Break up for the Christmas holiday and return on Tuesday 4th January

All National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to help an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they need it. This guide focuses on one facet of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, facts and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

"Inappropriate" means different things to different people. What's acceptable for one age group, for example, may be unacceptable for a slightly younger audience. Online, young people can chance upon inappropriate content in various ways - from pop-up ads to TikTok videos. The increasingly young age of which children become active in the digital world highlights the risks of them innocently running into something that they find upsetting or frightening. Trusted adults need to be able to help children be aware of what to do if they're exposed to age-inappropriate content.

WHERE IS IT FOUND?

SOCIAL MEDIA
Age-inappropriate content is easily accessible through many social media platforms, such as Instagram, Facebook and YouTube, with young people but, be especially best known for likes, comments and sharing or reposting. Some social media users also upload more explicit or graphic content, such as images or videos, which could cause lasting damage to a child's emotional and mental health.

GAMING
Gaming is an enjoyable source of entertainment for children and young people. However, some games contain material such as violence, horror, gambling or sexual content. Some games also contain chat functions, which can be used to share high risk images, videos or text. Some games also contain in-game chat, which can be used to share high risk images, videos or text. Some games also contain in-game chat, which can be used to share high risk images, videos or text.

STREAMING

This range of video streaming services provides online content that users can watch and download. However, some services offer content that is not suitable for children, such as explicit language and extreme violence. Children can also be exposed to explicit language and extreme violence when using streaming services on a mobile device, such as a tablet or smartphone.

ADVERTS
Online adverts frequently include age-inappropriate content. This can be seen through adverts for alcohol or gambling, which are not suitable for children. Some adverts also contain explicit language and extreme violence. Children can also be exposed to explicit language and extreme violence when using streaming services on a mobile device, such as a tablet or smartphone.

18 Advice for Parents & Carers

TALK IT THROUGH

Embarrassment or fear of getting into trouble can make it difficult for children to talk openly about their experiences. If you've noticed unusual behaviour, such as a child being withdrawn or acting out, it's important to talk to them about what they're doing. If you're not sure how to talk to them, you might want to talk to a trusted adult or a professional.

BLOCK, REPORT, CONTROL
After discussing the problem, you and your child should take steps to control it. This could include blocking any inappropriate sites or content, which can be done on a child's device. It's also important to ensure that your child's device is protected with a secure password and that you have access to the device at all times. This will significantly reduce the chance of age-inappropriate content in the future.

CONNECT, DON'T CORRECT

If your child's been particularly distressed by exposure to content that's not suitable for their age, it's important to offer support to prevent them from repeating the same mistake. It's important to talk to them about what they've seen and how they feel about it. You should try to help them understand what they've seen and how they feel about it. You should try to help them understand what they've seen and how they feel about it.

GET SPECIALIST HELP
Age-inappropriate content can potentially have a negative impact on a child's mental health, which is sometimes diagnosed through changes in their behaviour. If the problem becomes more serious, you should seek professional help. There are many experts in this field who can provide you and your child with the support you need.

STAY CALM
Even though it is obviously difficult to stay calm, it's essential to think before you react. Your child may well have been distressed by what they've seen, but it's important to remain calm. Your child may well have been distressed by what they've seen, but it's important to remain calm. Your child may well have been distressed by what they've seen, but it's important to remain calm.

Meet Our Expert
Cathy Johnson is a Behavioural Counsellor with the South Yorkshire Council of Social Workers and the local authority. Her main focus is creating positive and educating the community on the mental health issues of young people, as well as resources and techniques to understand and cope better.

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A snapshot of our week!

