

# Newsletter

Friday 4th November 2022 - Newsletter 8

A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it has been another fun packed week at TPA Towers! The children have had lots of visitors including from Tadcaster Fire Brigade on Thursday to help us keep safe. Katherine from Tadcaster Library to award the Summer Reading Challenge certificates and Laura from Hutchisons Catering who helped the children in Years 1–6 understand how they can keep their bodies healthy.



On Thursday evening we welcomed lots of families into school for our annual Open Evening which was held to encourage new families to join TPA Reception from September 2023 and our Nursery at any point in the year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Parents and Carers for spreading the word about our school. It is lovely to hear such fantastic feedback about our family ethos and the uniqueness of our school and it was a pleasure to show off our newly decorated school! Over the half term holidays we had Teams Venus, Jupiter and Saturn classrooms, toilets and cloakrooms decorated. With their new lick of paint these rooms are looking very smart!

Best wishes,

Caroline Towler, Headteacher



An Invite for a Coffee and a Catch Up

Dear Parents and Carers,

You are invited to join our Chair of Governors, Kerry Lee and Vice Chair of Governors, Derek De Vere, Mr Foster and Miss Towler for a coffee, catch up and a chat about how we are doing as a school at this current time.

We would love to know what is going well and what perhaps could be even better. If you are interested in joining us on Monday 14th November at 9am at school or at 5pm virtually, please complete the link to book your place. If you have any questions please let us know on the form.

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Many thanks, TPA



Twitter at TPA

Please click on the link below to see if your child is appearing on Twitter right now! Tadcaster Primary Academy (@TadPrimaryAcad)

	Dates for your diary for the coming weeks
Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Monday 7th November	Influenza Childhood Immunisation programme for those children whose families have filled in the online consent form
	NEW:Football Club with York FC Foundation 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Please collect your child from the front school entrance.
Tuesday 8th November	NEW: KS1 Art Club with Mr Hughes 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Please collect your child from the front school entrance.
	NEW: KS2 Christmas Singing and games club with Mrs Oldfeld. Please collect your child from the front school entrance.
Thursday 10th November	NEW: KS1 and KS2 Dance Club with York Dance 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Please collect your child from the front school entrance.
	TPAC Neon Disco 'Glo Get Em' - (3.20- 4.00pm for Early Years and 5.30-7.00pm for KS1 & KS2)
Saturday 12th November	Yorkshire School's Dance Festival - Children in Team Saturn will be given the opportunity to perform at this fantastic dance event at the University of York. Tickets will be on sale from Saturday 1st October via the website: https://www.yorkshireschoolsdancefestival.co.uk/
Monday 14th November	Coffee and a Catch Up - in school (9am) or virtually (5pm) with Miss Towler, Mr Foster and members of our Governing Body.
Monday 14th November - Friday 18th November	Anti-bullying week: Starting with 'Odd Socks Day' on Monday 14th November. Children can wear their favourite odd socks. Find out more here: Anti-bullying week
Friday 25th November	Training Day - school closed to children
Tuesday 6th December	Christmas Performance at school Years 1-6 2.00pm (two tickets per family)
Tuesday 13th December	Carols by Candlelight at St Mary's Church, Tadcaster from 2pm Years 1-6 (two tickets per family)
	Christmas Performance at school Years 1-6 5.30pm - 6.30pm (two tickets per family)

Don't forget our Neon discos next Thursday...we can't wait to get our dancing shoes

on!





## Governors Monitoring Visit 17.10.22 (Part Two)

On Monday 17th October we welcomed members of our Governing Body into school. Our Chair of Governors - Kerry Lee, Derek De Vere -Vice Chair, and one of our Parent Governors-Jen Offord-Middleton came into school to see teaching and learning in school. As part of their visit, our Governors also spoke to the children. See some more of the responses below from the pupils in Year 1-6 who answered the Governors' questions.



Team Saturn: Do you know anyone has been bullied? All children: No! What would you do if you were being bullied?

The teachers would help.

Tell an adult if they don't stop after ignoring them.

If you spoke to a teacher and it happened again and again then it would be bullying.

We say 'Please don't do that. I don't like it.'

The person who has done that is 'borrowed' to talk about what has happened. They would know not to do it again. They would go on unacceptable. An adult will always help.

#### Team Neptune: What's your favourite piece of learning this year? Why?

History is my favourite piece of learning. We learnt about Vikings and Anglo Saxons. We made Viking long boats. Science - I liked making the circuits

Bikeability - this was really fun, we learned about how to ride our bikes and stay safe.

Art - learnt how to create a longboat which was good.

**Were the Vikings good people?** They were from Scandivania. Learned about how they raided the different parts of our country. Kind of good and bad even though they raided different peoples homes.

WR - Alfred the Great, learnt lots about the fact he was the only leader called Alfred the Great, he upgraded the navy. We learnt lots about him.

## Team Saturn: What do you enjoy about your learning? What is the best thing you have learnt?

New maths, bigger numbers

**Christopher Columbus** 

Science - recently learning about animals and different habitats. Been to Tad river, *What is that called?* The river Wharfe

I enjoy doing Maths because we have this thing where Mr P does it, we do it together and then we do it by ourselves

Science - habitats

Enjoyed art, Ancient Egyptian learning, and making a clay sarcophagus. *What is that?* It is this thing that Egyptians do to put people in when they are dead. They put jewellery in and put dead bodies in. Mr Hughes taught us it is what they did.

Our school attendance this week is: 97.16%

Our school attendance target is 97%.

Saturn: 98.1% Top Team Attendance:)

Neptune:96.25% Jupiter:96.52%



Venus Reception: 95.67% \*As Government guidance states, your child's attendance is compulsory in school and unless they are unwell we ask that you ensure they are in school, on time, every day.

## Next term's extra curricular clubs - Autumn Term 2

Thank you to those families who have completed our online form for clubs starting from next week. Please see the timetable for clubs below. Don't forget to pick up your child from the entrance at the front of school.



Monday - Key Stage Two Football Club (Y3-6) with York FC Foundation 3.30pm - 4.30pm

## Tuesday -

Key Stage Two Christmas singing and singing games with Mrs
Oldfield 3.30pm - 4.30pm/ Key Stage One Art
Club with Mr Hughes 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Thursday - Key Stage One and Two Dance Club with York Dance Space 3.30pm - 4.30pm





