

# Tadcaster PRIMARY ACADEMY Newsletter

# Friday 15th September 2023- Newsletter 2

A message from Miss Towler...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it has been a busy second week of term at TPA. The children have definitely settled well into their school routines and are working very hard.

In this week's newsletter we are sharing information about what your child will be learning as part of this term's curriculum coverage. Further on in our newsletter you will see a message from your child's class teacher about our Time Travellers learning. There is also a useful link to our website to give you more information about the learning going on this

term. We hope you will find this useful and help avoid those 'What have you been learning this week?' 'Nothing!' conversations!!

Thanks and best wishes,

Caroline Towler, Headteacher

Our school R-Y6 attendance this week is: 97.35% Our school attendance target is 97%.

Nursery: 100% Top Team Attendance! Reception: 96.15% Jupiter: 98.08% Saturn: 96.00% Neptune: 97.67%



\*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.

# SAFEGUARDING AT TPA

If you are concerned about the safety of a child at Tadcaster Primary Academy, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Caroline Towler or the Designated Safeguarding Governor who is Kerry Lee, via the School Office on admin.tad@ebor.academy. If your concern is urgent and out of school hours, please contact: MAST on 01609 780 780 or the Police on 101 (non emergency) or 999 (emergencies).

Our school is proud to say that we take the safety and welfare of all of our children in our community seriously. We continue to work in partnership with all parents and carers to support with this.



Caroline Towler Designated Safeguarding Lead



Kerry Lee Designated Safeguarding Governor



# Time Travellers!

From now until the end of the autumn term in December we will be whizzing back in time to find out about events that happened in the past as part of our whole school 'Time Travellers' topic. We can't wait to find out more about history and other subjects this term. Read on below to learn more about what your child will be exploring in their lessons. To find out even more detail you can click on the link here and look for Time Travellers: Our learning this term





# **Team Venus**

We will be centering our learning around our story, 'Marvellous Me' this term. We will be encouraging children to talk about themselves, their families and their surroundings. We will then begin to focus on name writing and being able to draw and label our families. In Maths, we will be focusing on numbers 0-5 and allowing children to explore these numbers in a variety of contexts. Team Venus reception will start

their more formal phonic sessions where we will begin to read and write simple words. Team Venus Nursery will start to learn lots of nursery rhymes along with their actions.

## **Team Jupiter**

This term we will be learning about Guy Fawkes in History, travelling back and then forward in time to bonfire night 2023. In Science we are classifying different animals and exploring the changes in the four seasons. In Geography we are exploring the countries of the United Kingdom, looking at human and physical features of the landscape. Our



computing sessions look at digital literacy, e-safety and debugging algorithms as well as navigating keyboards and digital track pads. In RE we will look at Christianity.

# Team Saturn

Our Team will be travelling back in time to the Swinging Sixties for our History learning this term. We will



be looking at some of the huge cultural changes that took place in this period and key historical events. In Science we are learning all about rocks, soils and electricity. In our DT sessions we will be linking in with our electricity topic and constructing electric cars. In RE we will be studying what different people believe about God. In Geography we will cover the geographical features of the countries and cities of the United Kingdoma nd the Commonwealth countries that people migrated from in the 1960s. In German we are covering the following topics: Introducing yourself, colours, flags and countries, parts of the body and

clothing. In Computing we will design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals,

# **Team Neptune**

We are travelling back in history to the period 2000 BC - 1500 AD to learn about the Ancient Maya. In our class book we are travelling back to wartime Britain to read a fantastic book called 'When the Sky Falls' which has lots of themes the children can relate to. In Science we are covering Living Things and their Habitats focussing on plant reproduction and the Life Cycles as well as Forces. In DT we will use our learning about forces to make Moving Toys. In Geography we are learning to use maps efficiently, understand keys & identify key places including features of physical & human geography



in the continents of Europe & the Americas. In Computing we are learning about control systems, visual media and copyright. In RE we are looking at what religions say to us when life gets hard, asking guestions and suggesting some answers about life, death, suffering, and what matters most in life. In German we are covering the following topics: recapping prior knowledge of months & birthdays; new learning about weekdays, speaking on the phone & describing activities.

# **TPA Vacancy: After School Club Assistant**

### **Tadcaster Primary Academy, Tadcaster**

### 10 hours per week, to be worked during the school term time

### Initially a fixed term position until December 2023

### £22,737 - £23,500

### Actual salary £5,317 - £5,496

To apply click on the link below or view the vacancy on the Ebor Trust website

#### https://eboracademytrust.co.uk/vacancies/

Dates for your diary for the coming weeks	
Dates	What's happening at TPA?
Monday 18th September	<b>Leeds Rhinos tickets</b> - final date for purchase of Leeds Rhinos tickets for match on Friday 22nd September. Tickets can not be purchased after this date.
	NEW: Y1-6 Football Club with York FC Foundation 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Tuesday 19th September	NEW: Y1-6 Singing Club with Mrs Oldfield 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Wednesday 20th September	<b>TPAC AGM</b> - Please join us at school at 5.30pm for our Parent Teacher Association (PTA) first meeting of the year. Please come along and join us if you are able to help support our school. We would love to see a great turn out!
	NEW: Y1-6 Dodgeball Club with Five Star Sports 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday 21st September	NEW: Y1-6 Dance Club with York Dance Space 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Friday 22nd September	NEW: Y1-6 Multi-Skills Club with Mrs Oldfield 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Friday 22nd September	<b>Leeds Rhinos Game Vs Castleford Tigers -</b> See Parenthub letter and Parentpay to purchase tickets
Monday 25th September	<b>Phonics Information Evening at 5pm-</b> Team Venus Reception and Team Jupiter Parents and Carers are invited to a talk from Mr Foster and Mr Ramzan about how we teach Phonics at TPA.
Tuesday 3rd October	Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church at 2pm – Parents and Carers of children in Teams Jupiter, Saturn and Neptune are invited to join us to celebrate Harvest Festival in church. We will be accepting Harvest donations in the week prior to Tuesday 3rd October. More details and tickets to follow shortly. One ticket will be given and this will admit two adults.
Thursday 12th October	Yorkshire Cricket School teaching children cricket in Team Reception Venus through to Team Neptune
	Year 5 / 6 Girls Football Tournament @ Selby College (more details to follow)
Week beginning 16th October	Parents Evening Appointments will be available with your child's class teacher on Monday and Tuesday evening of this week

