



Newsletter

Issue 7 – Friday 20th December 2024

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Dates to expect the Newsletter

17th Jan 2025

31st Jan

Dates for your Diary

Y5 & Y6 SAT & Y6 Residential Workshop	Thursday 9th January 3.30 – 4pm
EYFS - Balance Ability	Thursday 16th January
Parents Open Morning - Reading	Thursday 30th January 9 – 9.45am
Y6 Residential	Monday 10th - Thursday 13th February
Parents Open Morning– Collective worship	Monday 3rd March 9 - 9.45am
Y2 Sleepover	Friday 14th March
Y2 Art Gallery Event	Monday 17th March
Y1 Parents Meeting - Phonics Screening	Monday 24th March 3.30 –4pm
EYFS & KS1 Easter Disco	Tuesday 25th March 4 –5.30pm
KS2 Film Night	Tuesday 25th March 4 –5.30pm
Y3 Three Trees Production	Friday 28th March 2 –3pm



Term Dates

- Christmas Break** - Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January 2025
- Inset Day** - Monday 6th January 2025
- Back to School** - **Tuesday 7th January**
- Inset Day** - Friday 14th February
- Half Term** - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February
- Back to School** - **Monday 24th February**
- Easter Break** - Monday 7th - Friday 18th April
- Bank holiday** - Monday 21st April
- Back to School** - **Tuesday 22nd April**
- Bank holiday** - Monday 5th May

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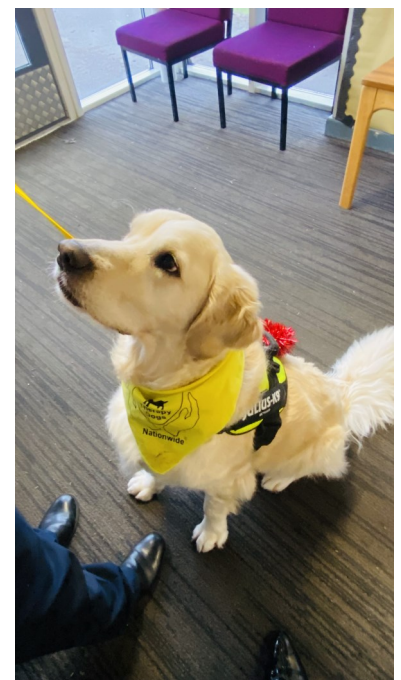
After 22 years of service in the Junior school, Mrs Ellis is retiring. Over this time, she has touched the lives of many children and positively impacted their learning. She has affectionately been nicknamed the 'Owl' by past pupils, due to her deep subject knowledge. She always has time to listen and support children in her care. We will particularly miss her art and craft skills. She has always been on hand, to create costumes and scenery for performances. We were especially proud when she produced the Illustrations for The Tortoise and the Hare, a published book created with our own Mrs Knight. We wonder if this could be a plan for her retirement!

We wish Mrs Ellis every happiness in her new endeavors. She will be greatly missed.

We say goodbye to Miss Preston after 16 years of working in the Infant School. She has been an incredible teacher and colleague. She has coordinated Maths for a number of years, across the infant and junior schools, leading to positive changes in the teaching of Maths and ultimately outcomes for pupils. She has worked tirelessly to create memorable learning experiences for children, including past topics like 'Who was responsible for the sinking of the Titanic?' and 'Does Chocolate grow on trees?'. These topics are still fondly remembered by former pupils. Miss Preston always goes above and beyond what is expected for the pupils in her care. We wish her all the best as she begins her next adventure in her new school. They are very lucky to have her!

Chester The Three Trees Therapy Dog still comes to visit every month.

He has such a calming and tender temperament, the children love giving him a fuss and a cuddle.. And Chester loves to receive them (along with the treats Mrs Gillham has hidden in her bottom draw!)





Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns over Christmas, please use the safeguarding email address which is being monitored over the holidays.

safeguarding@threetrees.risemat.co.uk



HEADLICE

Please can we ask that you check your child's hair regularly for headlice and treat if necessary.

The children mix and play so closely together, if one child has headlice they can spread fast.



The Junior Choir returns!

On Tuesday 14th January, auditions will be held at lunchtime for children to join the school choir.

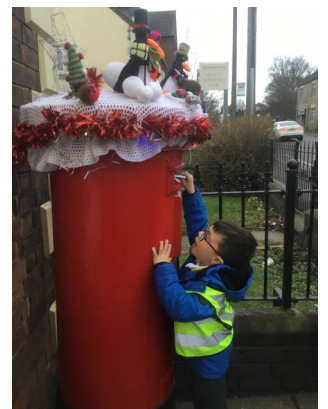
Children should prepare something short to sing to show off their talents. Please do discuss this with your children and encourage them to come along and have some fun!

We are so excited to get the choir back up and running.



On Wednesday afternoon EYFS went for a walk to our local post office. We went to buy a stamp to put on our Christmas card which we then popped on our envelope and posted in the post box. The children are very excited for their families to receive them soon!


We were so impressed with how sensibly the children walked to and from the post office and their lovely manners. They were a credit to Three Trees!



Some of our Y5 children went to a local Nursing Home on Thurs 12th December to sing Christmas Carols.

They had a wonderful afternoon singing our Christingle songs and sharing their glockenspiel piece of Silent Night.

All 20 children representing The Three Trees were impeccably behaved and returned to school feeling full of Christmas spirit. What a joyous occasion!



If you're sending your child or children to school with a snack please make sure it is a healthy snack.

Chocolate, sausage rolls and cake are not healthy options. There are plenty of things to choose from - Eg Fruit, veg, cereal bars, dried fruit and crackers.

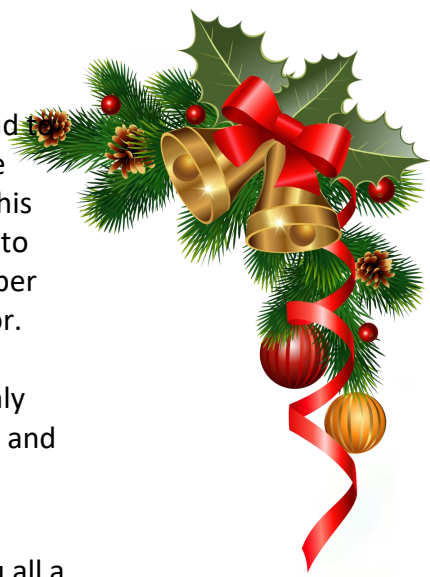
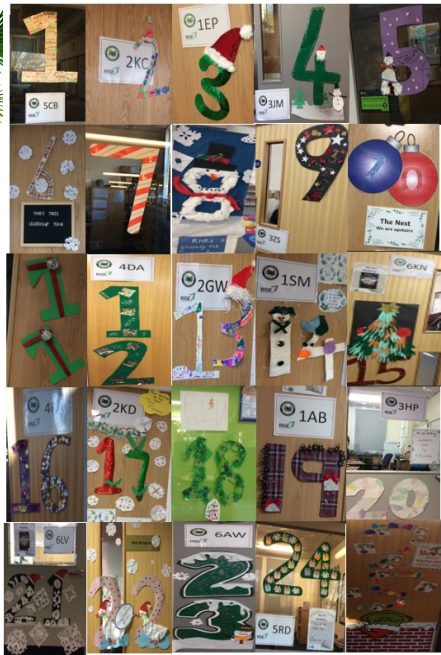


Y1 children went to AshEnd Farm this week. They had a wonderful time albeit very cold!

The children behaved beautifully and were a credit to The Three Trees .

Thank you to all the grown up's that came to help supervise the children.





Pupil Parliament are proud to share our very first 'Three Trees Advent Calendar', This year, we asked each class to decorate an Advent number and display it on their door. Members of our pupil parliament have thoroughly enjoyed knocking on each and every door and delivering some Christmas joy!

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Parking

DO NOT park in front of peoples drives or acces. Please be respectful and courteous to our neighbouring community.

Brunt lane opposite the school is a private road so please avoid parking down there, residents are in contact with the local police regarding this ongoing issue.



On Friday 13th December EYFS took part in our wonderful production of 'The Twinkly Nativity'. We were so proud of all of the children for the effort they put in with every rehearsal and on the day of the performance. They worked so hard to learn their lines and the songs and sang their hearts out! As the very youngest children in the school they showed great courage to stand up on the stage in front of so many people; we were so proud of them. We hope the parents enjoyed it, the children certainly got us feeling in the Christmas spirit!

We would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to the year six pupils who helped with the nativity. Photos were taken by Evie-ose in Y6.

Contact Details

Please can we ask that you check that all contact details are up to date on Arbor and update if not.

Particularly Telephone Numbers, Email Address' and Postal Address'.

Thank you
The School Office



Lost Property

Can you check your child's clothing and belongings, please make sure everything is clearly named.

If the name isn't clear or has faded in the wash please rename them as we have a lot of unnamed lost property.

If you would like to purchase **Stikins** name labels please click on the link below and use **School Code 25897** as this will help generate funds for our school.

[Click here to order Stikins name labels](#) and raise money for the school.

**Have a Wonderful Christmas
and a Happy New Year!**

**We look forward to seeing all
our families on Tuesday 7th
January 2025**



The Tree Trees Academies raised £800 on our just giving page and over £100 in cash!

Thank you to everyone that donated and to all the children and staff that took part - Well Done!



Junior Applications for EYFS and for the Junior School

You still have time to apply for an **EYFS** place and a **Y3** place.

Please do not forget that if you have a child in year 2, you need to apply for a junior place whether that be at The Three Trees or another school. **NO ONE GETS AN AUTOMATIC PLACE IN JUNIORS, YOU MUST APPLY.**

Applications close on the 15th January 2025.



When leaving a message on the answer machine regarding children being off school poorly, can you please leave the child's full name, class and reason for absence.

Please do not forget that you must call the school everyday that your child is off school.