



Newsletter

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School Start/Finish Times

Infant School - 8:45am - 3:15pm

Juniors - 8:50am - 3:20pm

Dates to expect the Newsletter

2nd February

16th February

8th March

Welcome back to the spring term (although it's already the middle of January!). It's been lovely to welcome the children back to school after the Christmas break and we are slowly getting used to life without Mr Simmons! The beginning of term has started well, Year 2 had their sleepover last night and the staff and children are still managing to stay awake as I'm writing this on Friday afternoon but I would think an early night is in order for everyone! Year 4 also went swimming today and their behaviour has been reported back as being 'impeccable', well done Year 4.

We did have another member of staff leave us at the end of the Autumn term. We congratulate Mrs Archbold on her new position and thank her for everything she did for children and families at The Three Trees. We have successfully recruited a replacement for Mrs Archbold who will be joining us shortly to support learning in the Juniors. Miss Godfrey is also leaving us shortly for a new job, we wish her well in her new position and will miss her. We are in the process of advertising for her replacement so will keep you updated on this.

We have had a number of issues with our older pupils who are playing on the park by themselves in the morning before school. If there is an incident or falling out before the gates open, staff are then having to take time out of lessons to sort this out, which impacts on learning. There's not an easy solution to this but we do want parents and carers to be aware that this is a challenge for us at the moment.

Jo Westaby

Dates for your Diary

Recycling Week	Monday 22nd - Friday 26th January
Y4 Earthquakes & Volcanoes Workshop	Thursday 8th February
Y6 Residential Trip	Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February
Y6 Bike ability	Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March
World Book Day	Thursday 7th March
Red Nose Day	Friday 15th March
Infants Easter Disco	Monday 25th March 4 - 5.30pm
Junior Easter Disco	Monday 25th March 6 - 7.30pm
Y4 Tale of Three Trees Performance	Tuesday 26th March

Term Dates

Half Term	-	Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February
Back to School	-	Monday 26th February
Easter Break	-	Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April
Back to School	-	Monday 15th April
Bank Holiday	-	Monday 6th May
Half Term	-	Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May
Back to School	-	Monday 3rd June
Inset days	-	Monday 22nd July & Tuesday 23rd July
Summer Holidays-		Wednesday 24th July - Tuesday 3rd September
Back to School	-	Wednesday 4th September 2024

Christmas Baubles

Our Pupil Parliament are thrilled to announce that the total amount of money raised from our Christmas Bauble competition came to a grand total of...

We would like to thank all of our families in the community for supporting our children and raising such an amazing amount of money. This money will be put towards improvements on one of our playgrounds.

£840

All of the lovely baubles that were not purchased have been kept to be used to decorate the school Christmas tree next Christmas.





The Philips Dental Care Recycling Programme



yes

- ✓ Electric toothbrush heads and covers
- ✓ Electric flosser nozzles
- ✓ Flossing sticks and interdental brushes
- ✓ Dental floss containers
- ✓ Manual toothbrushes

no

- ✗ Battery operated toothbrushes
- ✗ Electric toothbrush handles
- ✗ Toothpaste tubes and caps
- ✗ Outer cardboard and plastic packaging for toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes and floss containers
- ✗ Dental floss
- ✗ Batteries

When in doubt, leave it out.

Learn more at [terracycle.com/philips-uk](https://www.terracycle.com/philips-uk) or scan QR code



Recycling Week

Please can you send your children into school with used toothbrushes and other dental care products as listed here.

This is to enable us to generate some funds for school which we will use to offset costs of certain activities or special events for the children.

We will weigh how much each year group has collected, the year group with the most will have the money raised put towards their school trip or a treat for their year. <https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades/philips-uk>

You may have noticed our local PCSOs visiting the school every Tuesday afternoon. This is because Year 5 are taking part in the Derbyshire mini police programme. The children will have the opportunity to learn about their safety, their role within their community and how the police work to keep them safe.

Just like our Derbyshire officers the newly appointment Mini Police 'Officers' wear a uniform which consist of hi-vis vests with the mini police and force crest, a Mini Police cap and pocket-book.

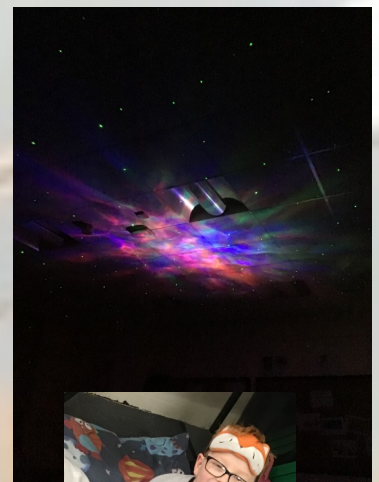


Year 2 Sleepover

Some Year 2's came for our very first Year 2 sleepover last night.

Children came back to school at 6.30 for a movie, popcorn and hot chocolate before moving into classrooms for a sleepover with friends. Lights went out at 10pm. The first risers woke at 6.05am this morning and everyone enjoyed their breakfast together.

We suspect early nights will be needed tonight. Well done Year 2, you were exceptionally behaved.



We Have a Lot of Unnamed Lost Property.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LABEL YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL UNIFORM, COATS, BAGS, LUNCH BOXES AND OTHER ITEMS

Also please regularly check the items your child is bringing home, and return to school any which are not theirs.



If your child is late for school



If children arrive after the gates shut an adult must accompany them in to reception and sign them in on the Ipad, children can not be left on the carpark, this is so we can keep all our children safe.

The MTC Summer Show

**After School Club will start
on**

Tuesday 23rd January

Open to all junior children but there will be a limited number of spaces, so please look out for information on how to take part
in the New Year.

Religious festivals calendar - a quick insight



World Religion Day

WHO? All religions

WHEN? 3rd Sunday of January, annually. This year, World Religion Day falls on Sunday 21st January.

WHAT? World Religion Day is an observance that was initiated in 1950. It was initially started by followers of the Bahá'í faith, which says that all religions have common features, and that they should be respected equally. They believe there is one God who is known by different names in all religions. Followers of the Bahá'í faith believe that all humans are born equal, and that we all have the same rights regardless of our faith.

CUSTOMS & PRACTICES? World Religion Day aims to promote the unity of religious peoples so that we can overcome historical differences. For centuries, different religions and faiths have fought each other, and ignored their common values. The purpose of World Religion Day is to work towards a peaceful understanding between faiths. World Religion Day is celebrated in lots of ways. However, most people attend special services, which focus on respecting other religions and reflecting on their universal message. That is, we should all treat each other with respect and understanding so that we can create a better world for everyone.



**WORLD
RELIGION
DAY**

Parent Teacher Association

Thanks so much to everyone who has made contact with school and shown an interest in supporting our new PTA. Having an active PTA will make such a difference to the activities and resources that we have available. We will be having an informal meeting on Thursday 25th January immediately after school to talk about the roles required and to answer any of your questions. Please come along to find out how you can make a difference to our schools - you won't be signed up officially until the next meeting if you are happy with everything! We will provide some colouring activities and a few toys so that your children can be busy whilst we talk.

I am looking into where to base the meeting (Infant hall has Whackey kids. Juniors may have a sports club so might end up being based in a classroom)

Thanks to everyone who has said that they will be able to attend this first meeting. I know that either Jo or Jess will also be attending to help with what is officially required.



Young Voices Choir Concert

On Wednesday 10th January, 56 children from Key Stage Two travelled to the Resorts World Arena in Birmingham to take part in the Young Voices 2024 concert. Joining thousands of children from over 100 schools around the Midlands, our children became part of the largest school choir in the world! They spent the afternoon rehearsing with a conductor, live band, singers and dancers before performing for an audience full of proud family and friends in the evening. We were so proud of all the children- their effort, enthusiasm and exemplary behaviour really shone, and they represented The Three Trees Academies wonderfully. They should be commended on their commitment and hard work to the choir since September- attending after-school and lunch time rehearsals and putting in many hours of practise in their own time. Congratulations to you all and thank you for your dedication which made the concert such a success!



Bikeability

On Tuesday Foundation Stage had lots of fun completing bikeability with Sean and Nick. We practiced using big steps to move the bike fast and glide through the hall. Once we got more confident, we wiggled through cones like worms on our bikes as we found moving in a straight line easy! Finally, we finished the session with a game where we all moved around the hall avoiding each other and obstacles. Sean and Nick said they were super impressed with Foundation Stage an.

