



Town Lane Infant School Newsletter

We would like to start this newsletter with a thank you for all of your generosity this half term towards our charity work at school. With your support, we have been able to raise £182 for Children in Need and £330 for the Ukraine Appeal and £274 for The Place2Be mental health charity.

Attendance

It is vital that your child attends school if they are well enough to do so. The KS1 gate in the morning opens at 8.40am and the Reception gate opens at 8.45am. Both gates close at 8.55am. It is important that your child is in school ready to learn at this time and does not miss vital learning. Thank you to all parents/carers who ensure that their child is in school on time each day.

Covid update 'Living with Covid'

Access to free COVID tests for most people ended last Friday. All community testing sites in Wirral have closed. Regular testing in mainstream education and childcare settings is no longer advised.

As with any other respiratory illness, staff members, children, pupils and students who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

Anyone with a positive COVID test result should still be advised to stay at

home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious.

If a child or young person aged 18 or under tests positive for COVID-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days. This starts from the day after they did the test. Children and young people tend to be infectious to others for less time than adults. If they're well and do not have a temperature after 3 days, there's a much lower risk that they'll pass on COVID-19 to others.

Town Lane Infant School Parents Fundraising Association

We would like to thank the PTA for agreeing to fund the author who visited school for World Book Day at the beginning of March. Sally Nicholls spent the morning with us and visited and worked with all children in the school. It was wonderful for the children to see a real-life author and be able to ask questions and find out about her role.

World Book Day

What a wonderful time we all had on this day in March. The Y1 and Y2 teachers dressed up as characters from their favourite stories and then presented a summary of the story in our assembly to all of the children. The children then had to make a choice which 3 stories would they like to hear. They then chose which classroom to visit and spent time with different teachers listening to their stories. The teachers in F1 and F2 also

dressed up and shared many stories with their classes. Thank you for joining in with the theme of the day and promoting a love of reading with us at school.

Parking

As you already know, we have been made aware by our neighbours that some parents are parking dangerously outside of school at collection and drop off times. This must stop and everyone must be mindful of the fact that driveways must not be blocked for access and that our young children deserve a safe entrance and exit to school.

New Exciting Project

We are excited to be working with "By Ours" which is a partnership project with Wirral Council, Liverpool City Region Combined Authority and Sustrans, funded by the Freshfield Foundation. The project aims to create streets that work for kids, young people and the communities they live in.

Working with schools from around the Bebington Area, Sustrans Project Officers will be working with pupils, staff, parents and the local community to look to identify ways the environment around schools and journeys to school can be made safer and more sustainable for children and families and residents.

We have taken part in the Sustrans 'Big Walk and Wheel'. This is the UK's largest walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling to school challenge. Schools compete on each day of the competition to see who can record the greatest number of pupils travelling to school actively. If we can continue to do this then there will be less traffic around Town Lane and safer streets for all.

In addition, the Y2 children completed 'The Big Street Survey' with a member of the Sustrans team where they surveyed the traffic at different locations and at different times. More information will follow soon.

Year 1 Visit

The Y1 visit to Christ Church, Bebington was a great success and the children experienced the story of Easter starting from Palm Sunday. There were 6 stations for the children to visit including the washing of the feet, the Last Supper, Jesus praying in the garden, Jesus dying on the cross and the empty tomb when Jesus had risen. Thank you again to everyone at Christ Church.

Parents Evening

Parents evening will be held at school on Wednesday 27th April and Tuesday 3rd May for the majority of classes. More information will follow regarding booking appointments.

Forest School Team Request

The Forest School team would like to make a request for the following items to be donated to school;

Baking trays,

Kitchen utensils - e.g. masher, whisk, spoons, forks, plastic mixing

Bowls/bowls

Pans

Sheets/pieces of material (for art)

Rope/thick string which can be used for dens

Tent pegs

Plastic plant pots

Bamboo canes.

If you do have any of these items for donation then they would be greatly appreciated for school.

In addition, we are looking for magazines that you may have finished

with related to the outdoors, animals and the environment.

Maths library

Our wonderful maths library has been relaunched and the children are enthusiastic to play the games with you and continue their learning at home. Please return your games every Friday.

Barnstondale Visit

The Y2 residential visit is taking place today. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience a night away with their classmates and a time for all to learn many new skills and take part in different experiences.

Diary Dates



School closes for holiday

Friday 8th April

School reopens to pupils

Monday 25th April

Parents Evening

Wednesday 27th April

Tuesday 3rd May

School closes for holiday

Friday 27th May

School reopens to pupils

Monday 6th June

School closes to pupils

Wednesday 20th July

Please note There is an additional day's holiday for schools next year to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This will be on Thursday 21st July 2022. School will now close for the Summer on Wednesday 20th July 2022.

INSET DAYS

Thursday 5th May – Polling Day

Friday 10th June