

Towngate Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

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ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

We are incredibly excited to welcome all children back to school from **Monday 8th March, 2021**. We cannot wait to see the children and begin working together as a whole class once again!

Return to school:

In order to ensure a smooth transition for all children back to school, we ask that children adhere to the following staggered start and end times of the day. We ask that children arrive **at their designated time** and ensure they walk straight into their cloakroom / classroom door to wash their hands thoroughly on arrival to school. This will avoid children lining up on the playground.

We ask that parents and carers continue to wear face coverings on site to reduce risk of transmission to others. Thank you for your continued cooperation. Please be aware that attendance is compulsory for all pupils from 8th March, 2021.

Please note: If you have children in different classes, please opt for arriving and collecting at the **latest** time at collection and pickup, this will alleviate parents having to wait for extended periods of time on the school grounds.

Class	Start time	Finish time	Site Entrance / Exit
Nursery	Morning Session: Doors open at 8.35am; Nursery will start at 8.40am; Doors close at 8.45am. Afternoon Session: 12.30 – 3.30pm.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 11.50am Afternoon finish: 3.30pm	Whitley Spring Road
Reception	Doors open at 8.50am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.20pm.	Whitley Spring Road
Year 1	Doors open at 8.40am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.10pm.	Whitley Spring Road
Year 2	Doors open at 8.50am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.20pm.	Whitley Spring Road
Year 3	Doors open at 8.40am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.10pm.	Whitley Spring Road
Year 3/4	Doors open at 8.50am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.20pm.	Whitley Spring Road
Year 4	Doors open at 8.50am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.20pm.	Tumbling Close
Year 5	Doors open at 8.40am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.10pm.	Tumbling Close
Year 5/6	Doors open at 8.50am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.20pm.	Tumbling Close
Year 6	Doors open at 8.40am.	Pupils are to be collected from their classroom at 3.10pm.	Tumbling Close



Equipment and PE in school

On PE days children are encouraged to wear their kits to school to limit equipment being brought onto site. We ask that children limit the items brought into school to coats, packed lunches and water bottles. We ask that children do not bring their book bags at this time. Pupils in Year 6 who walk home from school are permitted to bring their mobile phone into school. Please see below for the PE days set for school return.

Class	PE Day
6	Monday
5/6	Thursday
5	Tuesday
4	Thursday
3/4	Wednesday
3	Tuesday
2	Thursday
1	Monday
F2	Wednesday

World Book Day:



We have been astounded by the amazing efforts and participation of our children during World Book Day! Children have participated in a wide range of activities and have dressed themselves – and some very funky potatoes! – as their favourite book characters. We have seen lots of wonderful book displays on windows in the community and have seen lots of children accessing our sponsored Ready, Steady, Read event! Well done everybody for some super reading – Miss Marston will be choosing our winning potatoes next week with a special prize for our winners!

Kick Start Vacancies

The Inspire Partnership Multi Academy Trust has secured funding from the Government 'Kick Start' scheme and are now looking to recruit a number of positions within our academies across Wakefield. Please see the link for the vacancies within the Multi-Academy Trust: [Inspire Partnership Multi-Academy Trust | Career Opportunities \(ipmat.co.uk\)](https://www.ipmat.co.uk)

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will commence from 8th March, 2021 and will be run by Mrs S Johnson and Miss S Snowden who run our after school provision. Please contact the school office to book your child's place.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We will be looking at restarting some of our extra-curricular clubs from 15th March, 2021. One of the clubs on offer will be Dance with Miss Abbie; due to COVID restrictions, we can only offer the club to one class on each session therefore please complete the Microsoft Forms sent by Miss Moore to register your child's interest. The class with the greatest interest will be prioritised for this session. Thank you for your understanding.

Stars of the Week

Well done to our fantastic stars of the week – you have done a fantastic job in your school and remote learning this week. A **huge well done** to every single one of our children for your commitment to learning, and a thank you to your parents/carers for your support.

Class	Name
F1 - Nursery	Holly B
F2 – Reception	Verity R
Year 1	James W
Year 2	Evalyn T
Year 3	Harrison C
Year 3/4	Georgia R
Year 4	Coben DH
Year 5	Frankie P
Year 5/6	Emilio B
Year 6	Libby B

Twitter

Please take a look at our IPMAT roundup to see some of the fantastic learning going on in our Trust:

https://twitter.com/Inspire_MAT/status/1367158918158438405?s=20



Upcoming Events

Event	Date	Class
All children return to school	Monday 8 th March, 2021	All children return to school.
International Women's Day	Monday 8 th March, 2021	All classes will learn about International Women's Day and some key figures of study as part of our PSHE learning this week.
Red Nose Day	Friday 12 th March, 2021	All classes are welcome to come into school wearing non-uniform for a donation to Comic Relief. This year, the theme is 'the power of humour' so we will be holding inter class competitions for the best jokes and ways to make other's laugh!
Break up for Easter Holidays	Friday 26 th March, 2021	
INSET Day	Monday 12 th April, 2021	School is closed to all pupils
Children return to school	Tuesday 13 th April, 2021	All children return to school.
Shelly's Hibernation Day	Friday 30 th April, 2021	Children are invited to come into school in their pyjamas for a hibernation day for a small donation. During this day we will complete lots of lovely activities and any donations will go towards our Towngate tortoise, Shelly!

We hope you have a wonderful weekend and thank you for your ongoing support.

Miss L Eke

Acting Headteacher
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