

Toddler Group
Our Toddler Group runs every Friday 9.45 am to 11.00 am. £1.00 per session. All welcome.
There will be no Toddler Group on the 29th June.



Friday 22nd June 2018

Staffing for September

As happens in many schools at this time of year, we have to say goodbye to a couple of members of staff and welcome some new ones. Gemma Saxelby is leaving us after 11 years to work in a special school in Nottinghamshire, close to her home. I am sure you will join me in thanking her for the huge contribution she has made to West Road. Rohan Thorn will be retiring and is hoping to spend more time with her little grandson. Again, I would like to thank her for all her dedication and hard work and helping our children to achieve highly – particularly in French and RE. Finally, Alex Bass is moving to teach in another Doncaster school. We will miss Alex, Gemma and Rohan enormously.

We are, however, very pleased to welcome Sarah Powell who will be teaching in EYFS, Hannah Purdy who will be teaching in Y5/6 and Laura Langston who will be teaching in Y3. All three will be great assets to the West Road team



Parent View
Your child's school



At West Road, we work hard to maintain positive partnerships with our parents, carers and families. We believe that it is through working together that we can provide the best possible education for our children. We constantly aim to improve the service we provide and welcome your feedback, either on things that are going well or on things which could be improved. We have a suggestion box in the school entrance and also conduct regular parent questionnaires. Parent View is another means by which we can collect your feedback. It is an on-line questionnaire available at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>. We would be really grateful if you could please find the time to log in and answer a few short questions about our performance. Thank you for your help.

OFFICE NEWS

It is with regret that I am announcing the resignation of Mrs J Poulston from our school office, effective at the end of this summer term. Since joining our school Mrs Poulston has been a valuable and well respected member of staff. We will miss Mrs Poulston's kindness, professionalism, empathy and especially her baking!!!

On behalf of everyone at West Road we would like to thank her for being a valuable co-worker and wish her good luck for the future.

Mrs A Ward
School Business Manager

VISIT FROM LOCAL MP ED MILIBAND

Our Year 5 Brilliant Club pupils received a visit from local MP Ed Miliband last week. The Scholars Programme helps pupils develop the knowledge and skills necessary to fulfil their academic potential and secure places at highly selective universities. Ed Miliband said "It was great to visit West Road Primary School today, I was very impressed at how they engaged with such a complex and challenging academic topic. It just goes to show what young people from Doncaster North can achieve if we give them the opportunity. I wish the pupils the very best for the future, and I encourage more schools to give their pupils the chance to benefit from this programme". Mr Miliband wrote in our school comment book "What an inspiring visit! Thank you so much for showing me around the school. I am in awe of your extraordinary dedication, commitment and achievement".



VISIT FROM DONCASTER ENERGY TEAM

On Monday and Tuesday KS2 took part in a workshop with a visitor from The Doncaster Energy Team. They looked at mini beasts, Habitats around the



school grounds, concentrating in depth on Microhabitats, looking at examples of these. The pupils carried out a Bug Survey, where they walked around the school grounds/wildlife area and recorded information about what mini beast they

had found and in what microhabitat. The children love taking part in outdoor learning like this.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to every parent/carer that supported our Book Fair last week. We received £429 in free books from this summer's fair!



EYFS SPONSERED BIKE RIDE

The sponsored bike ride by EYFS has raised over £900. A massive thank you to everyone who took part. If anyone still has sponsor money please bring it in as soon as possible.

ATTENDANCE NEWS

- Our weekly attendance for this week is 96.1%.
- Our attendance so far this year is 95.3%.
- 17 children have 100% attendance to date this year which is absolutely amazing.

Please make sure your children are in school and on time every day. Absences and lateness really do have impact on your children's learning.

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POET VISIT

David Harmer (poet, performer and writer) visited our school on Friday 15th June to work with years 2 and 5. Each class performed some of David's poems and wrote their own class poem, which they performed to one another at the end of the day. The children really enjoyed working with David and in collaboration with their peers. If you want to find out more about him, please visit www.davidharmer.com

CINEMA CLUB

Reception Classes are invited to our Cinema Club every Friday night 3pm till 4.30pm. The cost is £2.50 per child. Come and join us to watch a film and have a picnic tea. See your class teacher to book your place.

P.E. Kit Days

Please ensure all items of clothes are named.

12 Pluto:	Tue PM
11 Apollo:	Tue PM Swimming Mon PM
10 Light Years:	Tue PM
9 Supernova:	Tue & Fri
8 Aliens:	Tue & Fri
7 Flying Saucers:	Tue & Wed
6 Mars:	Thur PM
5 Comets:	Thur PM
4 Galaxy:	Wed PM
3 Asteroids:	Wed PM
2 Rockets:	Mon PM & Fri PM
1 Shooting Stars:	Mon PM & Fri PM

Coffee Morning



Join us in the Hub every Thursday at 9.00 am for cuppa and a bacon butty. Our coffee morning is open to everyone and is a chance to come in and have a chat and discuss any issues you may have with school.

Dinner Menu Week 2

Half Term 6 Dates to Remember

- 25-06-18 – Yorkshire Wildlife Family Trip
- 28-06-18 – 2.00 pm PTFA Meeting
- 28-06-18 – Non-Uniform Day for Summer Fair
- 29-06-18 – School Closed for Teacher Training Day
- 02-07-18 – EYFS Sports Afternoon
- 03-07-18 – KS1 Sports Day
- 04-07-18 – KS2 Sports Day
- 05-07-18 – Summer Fair
- 10-07-18 – 9.30 am KS2 West Best Show
- 10-07-18 – 1.30 pm KS2 West Best Show
- 11-07-18 – 1.30 pm Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
- 11-07-18 – Year 6 Prom
- 12-07-18 – Year 5 Brilliant Club Graduation
- 16-07-18 – Transition Week (Children in new classes)
- 20-07-18 – School closes for the Summer Holidays

FAMILY LEARNING DATES

Monday 25th June - 1pm - 3pm - Superheroes - on this taster parents will have fun engaging with their children to discuss and draw or make a model of their favourite superhero. - **Children will attend this session.**

Monday 9th July - 1pm - 3pm - Jungle or Space Adventure - on this taster the tutor facilitates a range of activities the parents engage in with their child to fire the child's imagination and creativity around either theme. **Children will attend this session.**

Please contact Lynne Holloway to reserve a place.

Pit Stop Theme Night 28-6-18



Book early, places are limited

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TRINITY ACADEMY
Emmanuel Schools Foundation



14 June 2018

Dear Parents, Staff and Governors

Invitation: Monday 2nd July 2018, Trinity Academy, 6:00pm
Building Character: Helping children succeed at school and in life

We're privileged to have Professor Thomas Lickona visiting on Monday 2nd July, and I write to invite you to come to hear him speak about how we can help our children succeed in school and in life by building character.

Professor Thomas Lickona is from New York and is in the UK to give a keynote address at the national Association for Character Education conference in London. He is one of the world's leading character education experts. We have the privilege of hosting him at Trinity through his connection with Professor Mark Pike, our Chief Executive Officer. Professor Lickona will talk to us based upon his experience of practical best practice strategies at home and at school. His examples come from homes and schools that bring out the best in their children. Professor Lickona is Director of the Centre for the 4th and 5th Rs at the State University of New York, which has been featured in the *New York Times* magazine, and he speaks all over the world on how parents can nurture the good habits underpinning character. His books include *Raising Good Children*, *Character Matters* and *How to Raise Kind Kids* (just out). It is a special privilege to have him at Trinity Academy.

As you know, at Trinity we are committed to each student achieving a personal best academically and in terms of their character. We know that the two go together. If children learn good habits (such as hard work, resilience, determination, fortitude as well as love, kindness and forgiveness) from their parents this enables them to achieve a personal best academically. This evening focusses on how we, as parents, can help support our children to achieve that personal best. I do hope you will join us.

Programme

6:00pm – Welcome from Mr Winch: 'Doing Hard Things: Character-first education at Trinity Academy'
6:10pm – Professor Pike address: 'How you can help your child achieve a personal best'
6:20pm – Keynote address from Professor Lickona: 'Parenting: Best Practice'. There will also be an opportunity for questions from the floor.
7:15pm – Refreshments and Informal Conversation

The outstanding opportunity to be part of this evening is open to all. Parents from primary schools are most welcome to attend as are staff and community members. Please indicate your attendance on the reply form below so that we can arrange seating and refreshments.

If you would like to attend this event, please lodge your interest by email to: admin@trinityacademy.org.uk, stating 'Building Character Event' in the subject bar, and giving name(s) of those attending. **The deadline for responses is Wednesday 28th June 2018.**

Yours sincerely

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Executive Principal

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