## TRIANGLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER - 20.12



What's coming up next week? W/C- 6th January

#### Mon

 First of Spring Term 1

#### Fri

 Celebration Assembly - all welcome (9am)

#### Christmas Carol Concert at St Peter's Church

Yesterday afternoon, we had the joy of gathering in the church for our annual Carol Concert and what a wonderful occasion it was! The children sang beautifully, filling the church with festive cheer and truly getting us all into the Christmas spirit. Whether it was the traditional carols or the more modern pieces, their voices and enthusiasm brought each song to life. A special thank you to all the children who worked so hard to learn their lines and deliver them with such confidence. It's not always easy to stand up and perform in front of an audience, but they did themselves – and the school – proud.

As we reflect on the Christmas season, it's a perfect time to remember the value of compassion, which we have been exploring together in school. Seeing the children support one another throughout rehearsals and the concert itself was a heartwarming reminder of how kindness and encouragement can make a real difference.

Thank you to everyone who came along to share this special event with us, and to the staff and church community for their support. We hope the concert was a highlight of your festive season, as it certainly was for us!

#### Festive Fun at Our Christmas Parties!

This week, our Christmas parties brought plenty of fun and festive cheer! Our infants were thrilled to receive a special visit from Father Christmas himself, spreading joy and delivering treats. Lower Key Stage 2 enjoyed traditional party games, full of laughter and excitement, while Upper Key Stage 2 had a blast with new games led by Mr. March and an energetic karaoke session with Mrs. Munro.

A big thank you to the staff for organising these fantastic celebrations and to the children for their brilliant participation. What a wonderful way to end the term!





#### PTFA Christmas Fayre Update

Between our Christmas Hamper Raffle and the Christmas Fayre, we raised just over £2000. This is a great amount of money. The PTFA will use this money to support school and ultimately your children. Check future newsletters for how this money will be spent.

#### Y4 Mosque Visit

On Tuesday, Year 4 visited Jamia Mosque Madni to deepen their understanding of Islam, part of their R.E. topic on world religions. The trip provided valuable insight into Muslim beliefs and practices.

Alexander learned that the Qur'an has been translated into hundreds of languages, while Summer discovered that many Muslim children begin learning the Arabic alphabet from age 7. Vanessa shared how Muslims follow an Imam during prayer, all facing towards the Kaaba in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. Nyla was fascinated to learn that Muslims pray five times daily, known as Salah.

The children also observed the respectful practice of removing shoes and performing Wudu—a ritual washing of hands, face, and feet—before entering the prayer area.

This enriching experience brought their classroom learning to life, fostering a deeper appreciation for diversity and respect for faiths around the world. Well done, Year 4, for your curiosity and engagement!





#### Celebrating Mrs. Hill's Incredible Career at Triangle School

After an incredible 18 and a half years at Triangle School, it's time to bid a fond farewell to Mrs. Hill, who has been such a key part of our community for nearly two decades. Over the years, she has worked with hundreds – if not thousands – of children, supporting, encouraging and inspiring them in so many ways. Her dedication to our school has been nothing short of extraordinary.

Mrs. Hill has worn many hats during her time here and she's done it all with enthusiasm, warmth and a good sense of humour. She has been our go-to person for almost everything – from driving the school minibus at a moment's notice to keeping things running smoothly on the playground. Who else could make supervising a game of tig look so effortless? Her quick thinking and calm presence have been invaluable and there's no doubt that she's a Triangle treasure!

We will all miss her tremendously – not just for her hard work, but also for her cheerful nature and the countless ways she's made our school a better place. As she moves on to her carefully planned new adventure at Jet2, we know she'll bring the same dedication and energy to this next chapter of her career. Please join us in thanking Mrs. Hill for the sterling job she has done at Triangle School. We wish her every success and happiness in her new role – and of course, safe travels wherever the Jet2 adventure takes her!

#### Y1 went to the pantomine...'Oh yes they did!'

Year 1 had an incredible time at Halifax Victoria Theatre on Wednesday, enjoying the magical pantomime Peter Pan! The laughter, cheers, and classic "It's behind you!" moments made the trip unforgettable. A huge thank you to our wonderful staff and parent volunteers—without you, this adventure wouldn't have flown! From Captain Hook's antics to Tinkerbell's sparkle, it was a panto-perfect day for all. Oh, what a show!

Poppy loved the hilarious scene where two characters threw whipped cream and flour at each other, bringing roars of laughter from the audience. Leo was captivated by Captain Hook's antics, finding him both villainous and entertaining. Meanwhile, Aisha giggled when Tinkerbell cheekily blew a raspberry at Peter Pan. The pantomime's playful moments truly made it a magical experience for all!









#### Introducing 'The Triangle Way': Our New School Rules

As we look forward to the new year, we are excited to launch a new set of school rules designed to simplify expectations and support every child in doing their best at Triangle School. Dubbed The Triangle Way, our refreshed rules reflect our high standards for behaviour and a shared commitment to creating an environment where all children can thrive.

Our new rules are simple but powerful:

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Ready to Learn

These three principles will guide everything we do and help all children understand what is expected of them. Whether it's treating others with kindness, taking responsibility for their actions, or being prepared and focused in the classroom, The Triangle Way will ensure that every child has the tools they need to succeed.

To make this a smooth transition, we'll spend the first few weeks of the new term focusing on these new rules, supporting the children with refreshed routines and embedding The Triangle Way into everyday school life. This approach will help everyone feel confident and clear about what we're striving for as a school community.

We are confident that The Triangle Way will strengthen our school culture, foster positive behaviours and help every child to flourish. Thank you for your support as we launch this exciting new chapter for Triangle School!

#### New Phone System

We're delighted to announce that we now have a new phone system in place! This upgrade includes a fresh answerphone message, recorded with the help of two of our wonderful children – we think you'll love hearing their cheerful voices when you call.

As part of this new system, please be aware that all phone calls will be recorded for training and monitoring purposes. This is a positive step towards ensuring the highest quality of service when communicating with you.

We'd like to reassure you that these recordings are handled securely and responsibly and their primary purpose is to help us improve the support we provide to you and your children.

#### A Christmas Message from the Head

As my first term as Head comes to an end, I want to thank our wonderful school community for such a warm 'welcome' and unwavering support. To our incredible children—you've made this term truly special with your enthusiasm, kindness and hard work. To our staff, thank you for your dedication and care; you are the heart of this school.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Whether you're celebrating, relaxing, or enjoying some family time, I hope you have a joyful and restful break.

I look forward to seeing you all in January, refreshed and ready for an exciting Spring Term together.



# STAR Awards -Autumn Term



### Enthusiasm



## Values



Above and Beyond



Effort



Progress

A huge well done to this term's STAR award winners! Your hard work, dedication, and achievements have truly set you apart, and we're so proud of each of you. Enjoy your trophies—they're a symbol of your brilliance!

Please take care of them and keep them polished, as they'll need to be returned just before Easter to make way for our next set of superstars.

Thank you for shining so brightly and inspiring others with your efforts. Keep up the fantastic work, and we can't wait to see what you'll achieve in the new term!