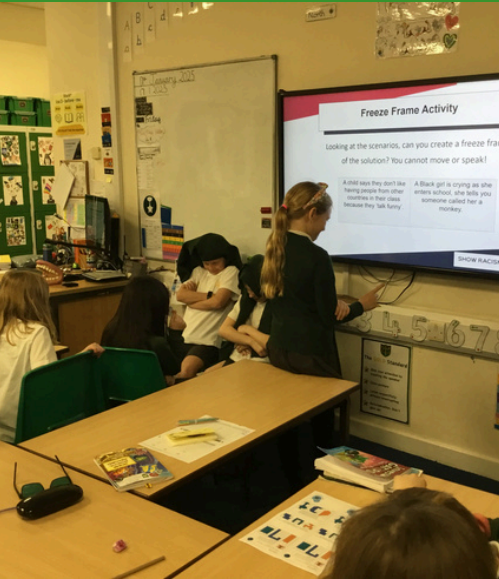


# TRIANGLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER - 17.01



### What's coming up next week? W/C- 20th Jan

#### Tues

- PTFA Meeting at 7:30pm - online

#### Fri

- Celebration Assembly

### Another week: more disruption

Thank you for your understanding regarding yesterday's unexpected school closure due to a water supply issue. The decision was made as early as possible based on information from Yorkshire Water, who estimated the repair would take up to six hours. We appreciate your flexibility at such short notice. While online learning was set for the day, we fully understand that completing this may not have been possible for all families. Please rest assured that children will not be penalised for incomplete tasks.

### Attendance, Absence and Punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality are crucial to ensuring children have the best chance to succeed in their education. This week, we issued letters to parents of children with attendance below 90% or who are persistently late, raising concerns about their attendance. I want to reassure you that these letters are intended as reminders rather than criticisms. I fully understand that some absences are unavoidable due to illness. As a school, we are committed to working with families to improve attendance, not against them.

A reminder: 10 sessions of unauthorised absence may lead to a fixed penalty notice issued by the Local Authority (LA). Families of children with unauthorised absences have also been sent reminder letters.

On punctuality, school opens at 8:40am, with learning starting immediately. Children arriving after 9:10am will receive an unauthorised absence mark for the morning, as stipulated by the LA.

### Doors

Our usual entries and exit points are now fully clear of snow, so all children may be dropped off and picked up at their usual entrances.

Can I also please ask that parents leave their children at the door in a morning? This is often more helpful in helping staff settle your children in to the day.



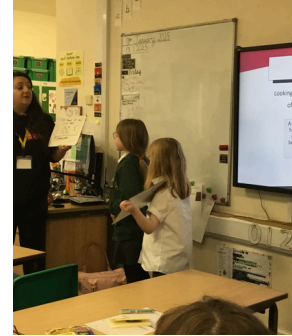
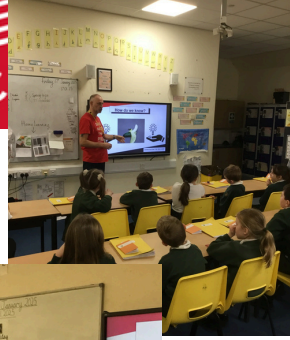
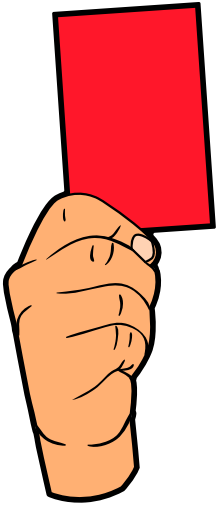
## Show Racism the Red Card

This week, all our children participated in an important workshop led by Andy and Hannah from 'Show Racism the Red Card.' The session focused on raising awareness about racism, promoting inclusivity and encouraging respect for diversity.

It was clear from the children's engagement that they took the messages to heart. They asked thoughtful questions, shared their own experiences and showed a strong understanding of the importance of treating everyone equally, regardless of their background.

We hope these lessons stay with them, helping to foster a school environment where every child feels valued and respected. Together, we can create a community that celebrates diversity and inclusivity, where everyone has a voice.

Thanks to the PTFA who supported today's workshops by contributing half of the overall cost.



## Extra Curricular Clubs Timetable (Spring Term 1)

	<b>Morning (8:00am - 8:40am)</b>	<b>Afternoon (3:15pm - 4:15pm)</b>
Monday	Karate with Sensei Matt	Running Club - Miss Westney STEM Club - Mrs Munro & Mr Barnes Reception Art Club - Mrs Quirolo Board Games Club - Miss Mills
Tuesday	Years 1-3 Dodgeball - Miss Todd	Choir - Miss Steele Boys Football - Mr Allen
Wednesday		Girls Football - Calderdale Coaching Arts Award - Miss Honour and Mrs Badio
Thursday	Years 4-6 Dodgeball - Mr Allen	Netball Club - Mrs Forrester and Mrs Moorhouse

This term's table of extra-curricular clubs is now up and running and I'd like to thank everyone for their interest and engagement. Due to the hall being used for 3 Corners, our club offering has been slightly scaled back, but we hope to expand it again with better weather in the spring. Please be aware that while we aim to avoid cancellations, poor weather may occasionally force us to cancel outdoor clubs.

We've received some feedback about the new online form system for signing up for clubs. While I appreciate that it's been an adjustment for a small number of people, this system has significantly reduced Miss Stafford's workload in the office, made it easier for parents to sign up, and greatly reduced the amount of paper we need to print. By using this system, we're not only streamlining processes but also doing our part to help the environment. It is our intention to continue using this system moving forward.

Following a helpful suggestion from a parent, I will ensure that the club timetable is included in the newsletter at the start of each term. This will make it easier for parents to reference club days and times.



## Our Community, Our Voice: Making a Difference Where It Matters

This week, we highlight two important issues impacting our community. The first is the approval of a waste incinerator in Sowerby Bridge, raising concerns about air quality, health risks, and environmental impact. The second is a petition advocating for a reduced speed limit on Rochdale Road to enhance safety for pedestrians, particularly children and families.

Both matters require our attention and collective action. Read on to learn more and find out how you can help create a safer, healthier community for all.

### Say No to Waste Incineration in Sowerby Bridge

The proposed waste incinerator in Sowerby Bridge has raised significant concerns about its environmental and health impacts, including:

- Its location in the valley, which could intensify pollution effects.
- A short flume, potentially leading to poor emission dispersion.
- Proven flood risks in the area.
- Low-quality technology and inadequate oversight of emissions.

A community rally will take place on **Saturday, February 1st, at 11:00 AM**, starting at the Moorings car park in Sowerby Bridge. This event aims to demonstrate opposition to the project and advocate for responsible decision-making that prioritizes public health and environmental safety.



Families are encouraged to participate to show collective support for a healthier future.

### Making Rochdale Road Safer for Our Children

Rochdale Road is a busy route for many families, with children walking to school and parents commuting. Currently, the speed limit is 30mph, which raises safety concerns, especially during school drop-off and pick-up times. A lower speed limit of 20mph could significantly reduce risks and make the road safer for everyone. A petition supporting this change is available for signing at the local post office. In the coming weeks, some of our classes will also be writing to our local MP to advocate for this change.



Please consider signing the petition and joining us in working for a safer community.

