



TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents/Carers

Events in the academy this week:

Swim to Kingswood

Year 6 completed their sponsored swim - Swim to Kingswood - on Tuesday 16th May during their swimming lesson at Ossett Academy. The children managed to swim an incredible 25 miles in length between them in order to raise funds to pay for their return transport to their residential, Kingswood. Thank you to all the children for their fantastic efforts and commitment and to the parents, carers and PTA who have supported the class by sponsoring their child. We are very proud of you Year 6! The grand total so far £690 – what a fantastic effort!!



Trampolining at Ossett Academy

On Tuesday, a group of Key stage 2 went to Ossett Academy to have a go at a trampolining session with PE staff from the academy. Children really enjoyed this, and went with a group of children from Gawthorpe.



Upcoming events:

Sunday 21 st May	Year 6 children depart from the academy for their visit to Kingswood. Mr Walker, Ms Eke, Ms Helliwell and Mrs Drury will be accompanying them.
Tuesday 23 rd May	Year 3 will be meeting with a local carpenter, who will be helping them explore wood working skills in preparation for a wood working project they will be doing in Design and Technology.
Wednesday 24 th May	Year 6 children return from their residential visit to Kingswood.
Friday 26 th May	Academy closes for the Spring bank holiday
Monday 12 th June	Academy reopens for children.

New Telephone System

We have had a new telephone system installed and our main telephone number is now displayed on all outbound calls that we make.

When you phone the academy in office hours you will be presented by the following options that are relevant to parents/carers:

- Press 0 for Reception
- Press 1 to report a student absence and speak to Miss Higgins
- Press 3 to speak to speak to our Learning Mentor, Mrs Brown

If there is no response there will be a voicemail facility for each of these departments for you to leave a message.

Out of hours (before 8.30 am and after 4.30 pm on weekdays/4 pm on Friday), our night service voicemail is operating and you can leave a voice mail message which will be received by office staff the following school day and circulated to relevant staff.

Headlice

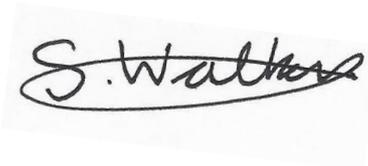
We have several cases of head lice in school. Please be vigilant and treat cases in order to reduce the risk of these being passed on.

Toys in School

Unless there is a specific reason, or the Special Needs Co-ordinator (Ms Lockett) recommends it for a SEN need, no toys are permitted in school. There has been a spate of Fidget Spinners being brought into school. Not only are these a distraction to children, but when children lose them they are upset.

Any toys brought into school will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day. Any toys lost at any point of the day will not be the responsibility of the academy.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Walker". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined.

Mr S Walker
Principal