



TOWNGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents & Carers

Events in school this week

Year 5 Wakefield Museum visit: 1940s Housewife

Children learned about what life was like in Britain during the war, as part of their history topic.



Date	Event
WC 18 th September	Clubs and morning interventions to begin this week Parents have been informed by text if children have been given a place or are on a waiting list and also the session finish times (other than eco team which finishes at 4 pm, all afterschool clubs finish at 4.15 pm promptly – please see below) – please check with the school office if you are in any doubt over whether your child has a place, we are oversubscribed for both multi-sports clubs and have a waiting list.
Friday 15 th September	Assembly – we will announce school councillors and Eco-Team leaders. Year 6 have a visit from the Wakefield Museum workshop.

Friday 22 nd September	Jeans for Genes day Children can come in jeans in return for a donation to this charity.
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Collection from after school clubs

Please see the section from our “Missing Child” Policy, with regard to collection of children from clubs:

- Dismissal after an extra-curricular activity is from the main entrance. Children are collected by known adults.

Please note that children are not allowed to walk home unsupervised from after school clubs. This includes children in years 5 and 6, who may have made arrangements to walk home at 3.15. Please see your child’s class teacher if you need to discuss this

Reading books and water bottles

The school has signed up to the Schools Library Service this year. This means we will have a much increased selection of reading books for children to read and take home. Last year, lots of our books were damaged by being put in bags with water bottles, yoghurts etc. Please can parents help the school to look after the books by ensuring children are taking care of these at home.

Fidget spinners

These are not to be brought into school. As I have said in a previous newsletter, any toys brought into school will be removed unless they are for a known condition that the SENCo Ms Lockett is aware of. The academy accepts no responsibility for any items such as these, and does not provide secure storage for any toys, fidget spinners etc.

Medication in school

Parents are responsible for ensuring that any medication in school is kept in date. Please speak to your child’s class teacher if you need to check your child’s medication, and ensure that school is provided with the appropriate medication in good time, for your child’s safety.

No child is allowed to have any medication on their person, in their bag or in their drawer. Any medication required must be brought by an adult to the school office for secure storage, with written permission for us to administer. We are not allowed by law to administer any medication without written permission.

Donations

Miss Bunney who is running our Good Morning club has asked if parents would like to donate any unwanted games such as kerplunk, guess who, connect 4, downfall, buckaroo, jigsaws, we would be grateful to use these in our good morning club if you could please let Miss Bunney have them.

Miss Higgins would also like to ask for donations of any comic books and books suitable for KS2, blankets and cushions, board games and dress up clothes or material that could be used for children to dress up in, and toy cars! Thank you in advance!

Cash to School Office

Can we please remind parents to try and pay for school dinners and school trips via the online payment system as much as possible, if you need to pay cash or cheque can you please fetch this to the school office and do not send in via class.

When writing cheques, please can you make cheques payable for the individual trip or dinner money amount, not for multiple trips and meal payments for siblings as this is difficult for the system to recognise and apportion correctly. Please let the school office know if you need your logon details sending home with your child.

Reminders:-

Trips

Can parents please return reply slips and make payment for the following trips which take place this month as a matter of urgency: KS1 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Y4 trip to Thackeray Medical Museum, Y5 trip to Eden Camp.

Flu Immunisations

Please can parents of children in Reception to Y4 return the influenza vaccination forms that have been sent home. These must be returned by Wednesday 20th September as they will be collected by the School Nursing Team.

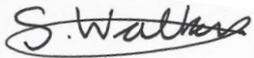
Firefighters Charity

Please return the charity bags to school **no sooner than Thursday 21st September** as they are going to be collected on Friday 22nd September.

Parking

Please ensure when dropping off and collecting children from school that the vehicle access gates at the rear of school are kept clear at all times - this area must not be used for parking or waiting under any circumstances.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Walker". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Mr S Walker
Principal