

# Talbot Primary School Newsletter



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2017



## Talbot Primary Hits The Headlines!

We really enjoy welcoming back ex-Talbot pupils to school to share their journeys to success in their chosen careers. The children can learn so much about skills such as resilience and courage from children who came to our school in the past. One such pupil is Suman Kaur, the **2017 winner of the BBC Big Painting Challenge**. Suman not only spent the morning working with some of our children to develop their portrait skills, she also led the Key Stage Two assembly and shared how her successful career in orthotics in the NHS developed into a career in Art. Even though Suman moved on from the school many years ago she still remembered the school's motto of 'Courage, Truth and Loyalty' and how it helped her on her journey. The children very much enjoyed listening to Suman and working with her. If you would like to see the article from the Yorkshire Evening Post in full, please see the 'Latest News' tab of the website or [click here](#).

We were also lucky to have Nathan Eno, another former pupil, now an established football coach with links to Arsenal Football Club, visit the school, as he prepared to film an advert for a major supermarket featuring our school field. ....Watch this space!



Wow, where do we start? The idiom of 'not being able to see the wood for the trees,' has been replaced with 'not being able to see the wood for the spots, spots and more spots' as Children in Need descended on us today. Everything spotty from shoes, socks to shirts arrived in school this morning; all of course in the name of a very worthy cause. Thank you for your donations to Children in Need – these will be totalled up and banked for the charity. Thanks must also be extended to the School Councillors who were very effective in leading assemblies and explaining the value of Children in Need, and how donations make such a difference to children and families.

So many events have taken place since the last newsletter that demonstrate how much pride we take in providing a broad, balanced curriculum for the children to enjoy here at Talbot. The children can re-live many of these events by logging onto DB Primary and navigating to their year group page. There have been many highlights in the last two weeks alone as we continued our links with Forest Schools in Key Stage Two, enjoyed Year Three taking the school back to the dark ages as part of their 'cave man/woman' day, and Year Six visited a local Sikh Temple.

As a school we spent a great deal of time discussing the nature of friendships and anti-bullying as part of national 'Anti Bullying' Week. Using the key slogan of '**All different, All Equal**,' to inspire us, the week began with children and staff wearing odd socks as a means of celebrating difference and diversity. This has been reinforced through additional class and whole school assemblies focusing on the diversity of friendships, dealing with conflict and managing peer pressure. We have also used the week as an additional opportunity to further build on the viewpoints of children to shape our approach on one of our important Personal, Social, Emotional and Health themes of 'getting on and falling out'. Please do take another look at the website and DB Primary pages for more details of the week.

You will be receiving a letter this week inviting parents, carers and grandparents into school to share in the children's learning during week beginning the 27<sup>th</sup> November. The after school sessions are an additional opportunity for you to come into school and for your child(ren) to share their books and home learning with you. I always enjoy seeing the children guiding parents through their books and seeing them explain how they have developed as learners.

As you will be aware we recently asked for nominations for parent governors. I am very pleased to announce that Mr Jimmy Parvin was elected to the vacant post. On behalf of the Governing Body, we welcome you to the school.

Regards

Mrs Parm Gill  
Headteacher

# Additional Information



## Reminder Regarding Parking Around School

Out of respect for our neighbours, please can parents and carers show consideration when parking their cars. A number of local residents continue to have their driveways blocked by parents at the beginning and end of the school day. I am sure you can appreciate this is not considerate for our neighbours.

## Polite Reminder to Parents/Carers

We have had a few incidences in the past few weeks where parents, carers and grandparents have approached children on the playground during play and lunchtimes and initiated contact. Whilst we fundamentally appreciate the desire to speak to your child at this time, all staff have been directed to challenge any adult talking to children through the playground fence as part of their Safeguarding responsibilities. Parents and carers are reminded to avoid such direct contact to avoid any unnecessary upset when they are challenged by staff.

Dear Parent/Carer,

## The Scholastic Book Fair is Coming to Town!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to school. There are lots of exciting new titles for all ages and some good stocking fillers. Look out for the leaflets in your child's book bag and posters around school.

**When?** 3.30 – 4.00pm

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November

**Where?** Key Stage One Hall

Everyone who attends will get their name entered into a prize draw and a name picked out to receive a prize.

We hope to see you there!

Kind regards

Mrs Kate Liddington  
Assistant Headteacher