

# Newsletter

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#### TREETOPS - Book

Before & After School  
Care here...



#### SCHOOL DINNERS

Now **£2.40** a day  
(£12 pw) Please pay  
in advance  
Via SchoolMoney  
Read on for menu...



## WEEKLY Roundup In the news this week:

- Want to know what your children are learning this half term? Our **CURRICULUM PLANS** have been updated and published on the school website. You can find out what topics and themes they are studying over the year.
- Did you know?... that we hire out our **ALL WEATHER PITCH** to local football groups for **only £25 per session**. We have availability some evenings and weekends. The pitch is floodlit too. If you know of any groups looking for somewhere to play, just **get in touch with Sharon to find out more**.
- After school clubs are getting going. Craft Club started this week, with Football, Mandarin, Girls football and Continuous Provision clubs coming soon.
- FREE SCHOOL MEALS** - please check to see if you have received a letter from Benefits Support - We've heard from a couple of families that their FSM have unexpectedly ended - you may need to reapply. Please ring Sharon if you have any questions or need any help.

## This week we have been refining The 'GERS'!

The GERS are the 4 elements of collective worship. The children have been thinking about and working on how we come together to make the most of these opportunities for spiritual, moral, social, and cultural development.

### Gathering

This first stage involves gathering the school community together to create a reflective atmosphere. Each class brings their special heart to hang on the school family tree and we remind ourselves what is special about our school.

### Engaging

Here, a story, a message, or a biblical text is presented, in a way that helps make the message memorable and relatable to pupils.

### Responding

Pupils are given an opportunity for personal response through prayer, reflection, singing, or other creative activities. This stage allows children to internalise and think about the key messages

### Sending

In this final stage, the worship concludes with a blessing, a prayer, or a sending forth, reinforcing the message and its application to daily life.



Can you claim a little extra help for you,  
your child and their learning?

See p2 to find out more...

## PUPIL PREMIUM



So far, over half of our families have successfully claimed!

Respect Love Trust Friendship Endurance Compassion

# Pupil Premium – What is it and why is it so important?

## Is your child eligible for free school meals?



As well as getting **free, healthy, hot lunches**, if your child is eligible for free school meals, and you claim for them, **our school receives extra funding** called ‘**pupil premium**’.

Pupil premium is funding from the government that is given to schools to help children to reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. Our school receives an **extra £1,455 for each pupil who is registered for free school meals**. We then use the funding to give those pupils an extra helping hand and to enhance their learning. We use the money in many ways including:



- Extra one-to-one or small group support within classrooms
- Employing extra teaching assistants to work within classes
- Running catch up sessions for those who need extra help
- Providing breakfasts, snacks and help with uniform
- Providing extra tuition
- Providing enrichment activities for families who cannot pay for them
- Funding educational visits
- Investing in resources that boost learning i.e. laptops or tablets

Pupils who are registered for free school meals do not have to eat them (i.e. they can continue to have packed lunches if you like) and cannot be identified as being registered for free school meals in anyway within the school. However, the school can only claim the extra funding for those pupils that are registered. **At this school there is no stigma attached to having free school meals and we are very proud to say that over two thirds of our pupils are currently registered for free school meals and pupil premium.**

**We know that times are hard for all of us and the financial squeeze on our families and our school keeps getting tighter and tighter -**

**Why not see if you can claim a little extra help for you, your child and their learning?**

**Your child is eligible for free school meals, and therefore pupil premium funding for our school if you access:**

- Universal Credit - your net earned income must be less than £7,400.
- Income Support.
- Job Seeker's Allowance (income based).
- Employment and Support Allowance.
- Child Tax Credit. (With an annual income of less than £16,190. As assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs.)
- Guarantee Credit element of Pension Credit.
- Support payments under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Working Tax Credit Run-on (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).

**Register your child for free school meals using the link to the application form below**, or fill in the form on the last page of the newsletter, to ensure the school receives the relevant funding it is entitled to.

Printed copies of the form are available from the office and school staff are more than happy to help with any applications. **So, don't hesitate - get applying as soon as possible.**

Applications can be made at any time but successful applications made **by 26 September** will guarantee that school gets the funding this year.

<https://new.calderdale.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals>



## TEAM POINTS

The Team Point Pixies have been flying round and adding up all the team points.

They have been counted and verified...

and the winner is...



 Diamonds	 Rubies	 Sapphires	 Emeralds
780	496	520	871

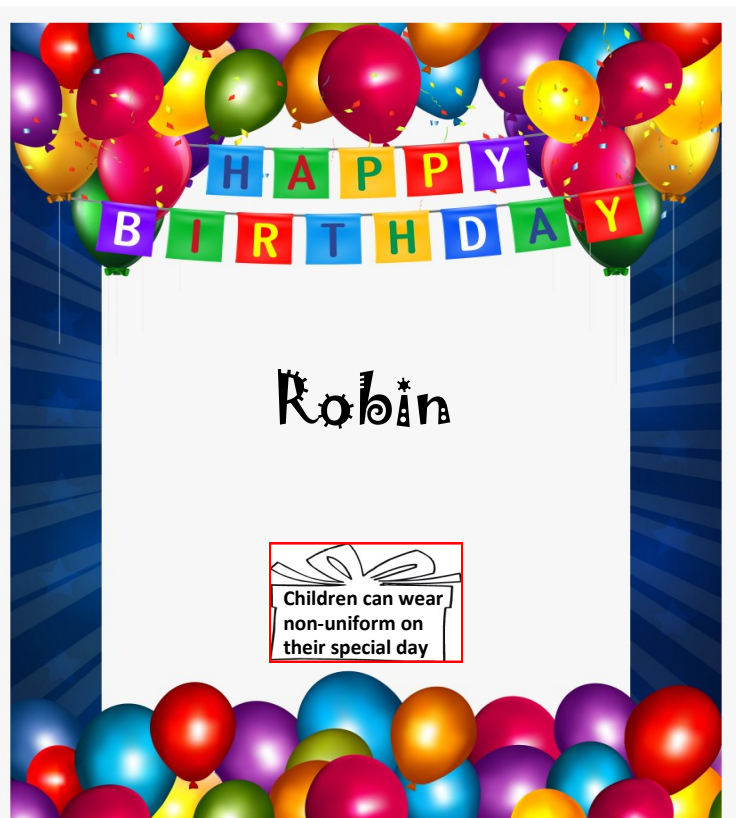


## WELL DONE TREASURES!!!



### BRILLIANT BLUE PUPILS

Robin





# This week's Gold Book Superstars are....

## Oak

- Mahmood – what an amazing week! We've seen him take part in more conversations, read four books since the beginning of term and he is beginning to write sentences independently! He is determined to improve his English every day! Outstanding!
- George – for showing resilience and patience when composing on our new online digital recording studio. He has listened attentively and shown great creativity by adding his own ideas to his soundscape.

## Elm Class

- Sidney - for his enthusiasm in class and for being an excellent role model for the Year 4 children who have recently joined Elm.
- Bohdi - for his determination when working with number lines in maths and his excellent work in English when writing rhyming couplets this week.
- Ellie - for joining whole class discussions more frequently and having more confidence in her abilities.

## Sycamore Class

- Poppy – for a great start on her writing this week using fabulous vocabulary and sentence structure.
- Rares – for lovely place value work this week. Taking his time to think carefully about the position of numbers and how zero helps keep numbers in the right place!

## Willow Class

- Ember and Daria - for showing excellent fine motor control using the tweezers to move and match objects
- Florence - for impressive work sequencing all the letters in her name.
- Abudi - for a super attitude to completing his tasks in Maths, using a number track to support him in becoming more independent.



## WEEKLY MEAL PLANNER:

- All meal choices are homemade, from scratch by chefs using high quality raw ingredients that are unprocessed and where applicable, seasonal. All Milk products are made with organic milk
- All meat products are Red Tractor accredited
- All fish products are M.S.C accredited

*If you have any questions or special dietary requirements please don't hesitate to get in touch!*



## How many planet friendly options are you choosing this week?

WEEK 1	Main Course	Vegetarian Option	Served With	Dessert
MONDAY	Ham and pineapple panini pizza	Tomato and mascarpone pasta bake with herby bread	Saute potatoes Salad	Fruity Flapjack Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Sausage and Yorkshire pudding	Cheese Lattice	Roast potatoes and carrots	Chocolate Sponge and Mint Custard Fresh fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Pork Gyros with Yoghurt Sauce	Veggie nuggets	Savory Rice Broccoli	Cherry Shortbread Biscuit Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Chicken pasta in tomato sauce Garlic slice	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans	Duchess potatoes Beans	Jelly and Ice cream Fresh fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Battered Fish	Veggie meatball melt in a flatbread	Peas & sweetcorn Chips	Carrot Cake Fresh fruit Yoghurt
WEEK 2	Main Course	Vegetarian Option	Served With	Dessert
MONDAY	Meatballs and Pasta	Quorn Dippers	Twister Fries Salad	Jam Slice and Orange Segment Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Hot Dog	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Wedges and Sweetcorn	Chocolate and Cranberry Cookie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Cheese and Tomato Puff	Mac and Cheese	Potato Nuggets Baked beans	Bakewell Tart and Custard Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Minced beef and veg pie	Red Pesto Pasta with Garlic Slice	Duchesse Potatoes Salad	Mini Donuts & Sauce Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers	Quorn Southern Burger	Chips Peas & Sweetcorn	Chocolate and Raspberry Brownie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
WEEK 3	Main Course	Vegetarian Option	Served With	Dessert
MONDAY	Cheese and Pepperoni Panini	Pesto Pasta with Garlic Slice	Herby Potatoes Salad	Orange surprise and custard Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Chicken Goujons	Veggie Ravioli	Cous Cous Sweetcorn	Chocolate Fudge Cake with Cream Fresh fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Pasta Bolognaise	Cheese and Tomato Puff	Potato Nuggets Spaghetti hoops	Marble Cake Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Sausage Roll	Vegan Goujons	Criss Cross Fries Salad	Rice Pudding Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Battered Fish	Pizza Twist	Chips Peas & Sweetcorn	Arctic Roll Fresh fruit Yoghurt

*\*The supplier reserves the right to change, modify, substitute or remove, without notice, any item on this menu as deemed necessary.*