

Tandridge Learning Trust



Trust Talk *Parent Edition* March 2022





Thank you to all our parents who commented on the new version of our TLT Trust Talk Magazine last term; we were very pleased to see so many positive reviews. As you will see from this edition, it has been another very busy term for us all and we have tried to capture

the highlights from across all of our schools.

We would also like to thank those of you who stepped forward to volunteer as either a Trustee or a Local Governor for the Trust. These roles are so important and help us to ensure that your views and opinions are heard within our governing committees. We have recruited for a number of positions now but we are keen to identify anyone who might like to volunteer in the future, who we can call upon

should a vacancy arise. We do have positions for those who are not parents within the community too, so please do pass our contact on to anyone you know who may be interested. Details about what is required for a Trustee role are set out in our previous edition, which you can access by [clicking here](#). If you're interested in becoming a governor for one of our schools, please see the relevant school's website.

Earlier this month we ran our first online Trust-wide workshop for parents. We hoped that by offering a workshop via Zoom it would provide greater ease of access and more flexibility for our families. Our commitment to safeguarding and keeping our children and young people safe is our highest priority and our concerns around online safety have grown since the pandemic began. We are conscious of the fact that our children have spent significantly more time online than would typically have been the case over the last two years, so this workshop was important. We are aware that many parents and carers are increasingly worried about

Rebecca Plaskitt

their children's safety when online. With the ever-growing popularity of online games, social media, apps and text groups, the worries are amplified.

We had received requests for more guidance and support in how to monitor and identify concerns at home linked to online activity. We understand that it isn't always easy to recognise the early signs of issues young people face when interacting online and we are committed to supporting all our families, so in response we partnered with The Breck Foundation to offer parents and carers a free online session to help inform and support safer internet use.

The Breck Foundation is a charity founded in 2014 by a Surrey mother, Lorin LaFave, whose son, Breck, was tragically murdered by an online groomer. Lorin believes that education is the best way to ensure all families are empowered to prevent a repeat of her own tragedy and to help identify other risks associated with online use. The Breck Foundation supports parents and carers to recognise the dangers of online grooming, spot the

signs of exploitation and to empower young people to share their concerns and make better decisions when online.

We hope that you found this workshop supportive and helpful and our aim is to provide further opportunities for all families to access training and events both online and in person over the coming months. If you have any feedback for us on this or if you would like to suggest a session which you would find useful, then please get in touch by emailing Info@TandridgeLearningTrust.co.uk.

It is important to note that this term, and particularly since the removal of COVID-19 restrictions, we have seen increased numbers of pupils and staff absent due to testing positive. This has placed huge pressures on our school staff as we have fought to keep all classes open to prevent pupil learning from being disrupted. We appreciate how careful our parents have been to monitor their children's health, testing where possible and keeping them at home if they are showing any symptoms. This is still helping



to reduce the spread of the virus. Thank you for your vigilance.

We know that you will join us, in once again thanking our dedicated staff for their care and support in such challenging times. Covering those who are unavoidably absent at this time has placed an additional burden on so many colleagues and we wouldn't have been able to keep our schools running without them – many thanks to them all.

It is lovely to see the sunshine as this term draws to a close; we are all in need of the warmth and brightness these longer days provide.

We wish you all a happy and healthy Spring Break and we look forward to seeing everyone return refreshed in the new term.

Rebecca



Hamsey Green has had many themed weeks this term.

Particularly excited by World Book

Day, the whole school dressed up as their favourite book characters and settled in to watch the most amazing production of *The Secret Garden* by M & M productions. The children were mesmerised by the set changes and their signing. It was quite emotional being able to see them enjoying a live performance again after so long.



Year 6 were able to access a backstage pass afterwards to learn more about how lighting and music affect the moods of the play and delivery of lines- something they could use when writing their own scripts. They also learnt about how scripts were written, rehearsed and how their lines could be delivered to add emphasis. This came in particularly useful when writing their own scripts for a live news report, filmed in Science week, when 3 Technology came in for a 3D workshop. The whole school were able to plan, film themselves using iPads and on a green screen and watch back their reports.

ying themed weeks!

Happy Mother's Day
You plant your seed

Year 1



Sunflower day

Hugs & Kisses



You need
soil

Happy
Birthday

You need water



Dressing up has been a bit of a theme too! The staff annual bake off for Red Nose Day is always a highlight in our calendar. Who can make the funniest bake is a challenge.

This year, the school raised £605 from the bake sale and mufti, which Comic Relief raise towards families in need in the UK and supporting families in the Ukraine.

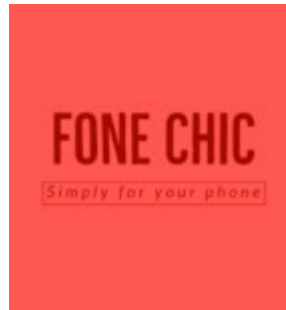
ADVANCE

As part of Warlingham Sixth Form College's enrichment programme for the Advance Award, they have two Young Enterprise teams competing this year.

Young Enterprise is an organisation funded by the Peter Jones Foundation to give young people a chance of running a successful business and learning fundamental skills including teamwork, responsibility and dedication. Warlingham's two Year 12 teams devised their business proposals to launch a product for sale, with profits going to their chosen charity. Students, staff and parents were able to purchase their products via WisePay from 28th February to 24th March.

Fone Chic

Fone Chic was selling unique, stylish and affordable personalised phone cases aiming to add a personalised touch to your phone case, whilst giving back to a charity.



Available for everyone and tailored to individual taste, Fone Chic provided clear phone cases with a name on, in a variety of colours and fonts. These cases were available for the majority of phones, including Samsung and iPhone and cost £8.99.

Fone Chic decided to donate all profits made to The Lily Foundation, a local charity that is closely connected with Warlingham. Their mission is to



improve the lives of people affected by mitochondrial diseases, while working towards a future where mitochondrial diseases can be effectively treated or cured.

Synth

Synth sold eco-friendly notebooks, each with an aesthetic finish and offered with lined, plain or square paper. As well as being eco-friendly, Synth took the opportunity



purple. The Camo Range consists of five camo patterned notebooks offered in colours Pink camo, Black camo, Purple camo, Navy blue camo and Jungle green camo.

All profits that Synth generate will be donated to the WWF foundation, which is a global foundation that helps battle against pollution and works hard to protect animals' habitats. Synth hopes to make a difference by selling eco-friendly notebooks as well as donating their profits to the WWF.

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28th February - March 24th

All profits go to WWF

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to give back to our community and the environment by giving all profits to the WWF foundation.

Synth offered 10 different notebooks in two different ranges: The Marble Range and the Camo Range for just £4.49 per notebook. The Marble Range consists of marble like patterning to give a unique and stylish look to your notebooks and is available in five colours including, Iridescent Red, Oceanic Blue, Midnight black, Monochromatic white, and Galaxy



It is very concerning to see the conflict going on between Ukraine and Russia. Watching these events unfolding on the news and in social media can lead to people feeling stressed, worried and anxious about the state of the world, especially after the worries of the pandemic. If you are feeling this way, it might help you to take regular media breaks (including social media) to help manage your reaction to the news. If you feel you need some support, there are organisations that can help you.

- **Healthy Surrey:** www.healthysurrey.org.uk
- **Mind:** www.mind.org.uk
- **Samaritans:** www.samaritans.org
- **CALM:** www.thecalmzone.net
- **NHS:** www.nhs.uk
- **BBC - How to help yourself, your kids and others:** www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-60557186

There are also lots of resources which can help you talk to your children about the conflict, avoiding misinformation and supporting them to manage their feelings:

The Education Hub, a DfE blog - *Help for teachers and families to talk to pupils about Russia's invasion of Ukraine and how to help them avoid misinformation* - [click here](#)

Children's Commissioner - *We should not hide from children what is happening in Ukraine* - [click here](#)

Childline *Worrying about Russia and Ukraine* - [click here](#)

British Red Cross - *How to talk to children and young people about conflict* - [click here](#)

The British Psychological Society - *Supporting children to manage anxiety over war, conflict and crises* - [click here](#)

Mentally Healthy Schools - *How to talk to your teenager about the invasion of Ukraine* - [click here](#)

Place2Be (Improving children's mental health) - *Talking to children and young people about war and conflict* - [click here](#)

Some of you may be hosting refugees in your home or may come across them in another setting. Dr Tina Rae has made a video which contains really useful information about how to support refugee children - [click here](#)

Our schools have responded to the calls for humanitarian aid in various ways.

Warlingham set up an area on WisePay to collect donations on behalf of *Save the Children Ukrainian Emergency Fund* and *UNICEF Emergency Fund* and have raised in excess of £1,000 so far. The School also teamed up with [Heidi's Cakes](#), who donated 100 cupcakes, which were sold to raise funds for *Save the Children Ukrainian Emergency Fund*. The cake sale raised £220.



Aid for Ukraine



On Friday 18 March, Tatsfield took part in a Day for Ukraine, organised by First News in partnership with the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) to raise funds for their appeal. Pupils wore blue

and yellow and Years 4 and 5 made Ukrainian flags with symbols of peace on them. In total the School raised an amazing £340.10!

Staff at Bletchingley contributed to

a food collection to support those suffering in Ukraine earlier in the month and are beginning a second school-wide collection of medicines, bandages, batteries and sanitary products to go out next month.



of a banana, writing letter to Fairtrade farmers, writing Fairtrade pledges for a 'World We Want' as well as re-purposing items into another useful object, such as turning plastic bottles into a planter!

All the staff and the children participated with much enthusiasm and demonstrated superb knowledge and compassion.

Tatsfield School observed Fairtrade Fortnight 2022, which ran from 21 February to 6 March. At the end, each class showcased what they had learned in a 'sharing assembly'.

The strapline this year was 'Choose the World You Want' with a focus on climate change and how this is affecting farmers.

The School was delighted to welcome Mrs Hester and Mrs Vale

from the Tatsfield Fairtrade Group who shared some information with the children.

Children presented a broad range of learning, including making banana smoothies using Fairtrade ingredients, looking at the journey



and World Book Day



World Book Day was a roaring success at Tatsfield. Books are more than simple pieces of paper with words on them (or, in the case of digital books, a bunch of pixels on a screen); they're a door into another world, whether that's one full of fiction and imagination or a factual

world that teaches you incredible new things. World Book Day is all about celebrating the wonderful power of books and the joy of reading. It's especially meant to help encourage a love of reading in children, but people of all ages can recognise and celebrate the day.

As you can see from the photo above, the costumes were brilliant! The children were all engaged and shared reading with others around them and the whole school created bunting which is displayed in the entrance hall to celebrate 25 years of this fantastic event!

Woodlea was delighted to welcome international bestseller Maz Evans into school to share both her books and her journey as an author. She has written some wonderful book series, including Who Let the Gods Out, VI Spy, and Scarlett Fife.

Maz spent time sharing the hilarious background to her books and then children had the opportunity to ask her questions. The day was rounded off with a book signing in our Oak Library, which involved a queue that ran all the way through the school. Maz is a hilarious and hugely talented author!

The school looks forward to inviting more authors in to school to continue to inspire and improve love of reading at Woodlea.





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Following on from the news in the previous edition that we had launched our new Trust website, we are delighted to announce that we have now launched the new websites for all five of our schools.

Using a common Content Management System (CMS) for all our sites gives us the opportunity to share information automatically across all of them, for example, news stories added on the school website, automatically get 'pulled in' so they feature on the Trust website. Going



the other way, Trust-wide policies can be added centrally and will get automatically 'pushed out' to the school websites. This will save time adding information and will ensure that all information is up-to-date.

Another benefit of being on a

common CMS, means staff can share ideas and collaborate across the schools; we've set up a cross-MAT group of staff who update the websites so we can work together.

All our sites also have a pull-down menu at the top, which allows you to see all our schools at a glance and also jump to any of their websites.

To view our new sites, click the appropriate image above or go to:

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www.HamseyTLT.co.uk

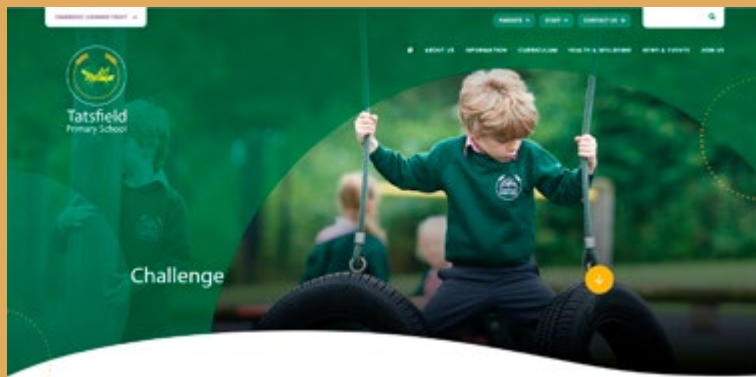
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We are so proud of Warlingham Year 13 student, Zac Priest, who is running the Brighton Marathon on 10th April to raise money for Momentum Children's Cancer

Charity, a charity which supports families in which a child has cancer in London, Surrey and Sussex.

In July 2021, Zac's little brother, Theo, was diagnosed with Leukaemia when he was three years old. Theo has bravely undergone seven months of gruelling chemotherapy and will continue chemotherapy treatment until September 2024. It's been an

incredibly challenging time for Theo and his entire family and they are grateful for the amazing support they have received from Momentum and everyone around them. In a bid to try and give something back to those who have helped the family, Zac and his father, Tim Priest, will be running the Brighton marathon to raise money for Momentum Children's Cancer charity, who have supported them from the outset.

In between studying for his A Level in History and BTECs in Business and Sport, going to work at the weekend, and spending time with Theo, Zac has been training hard to get ready for the Brighton marathon taking place on 10th April.

Zac is truly embodying Warlingham's values of courage, commitment and kindness and this is even more meaningful for the school's community as Zac's grandmother is also the Catering Manager at Warlingham.

If you would like to support Zac's fundraising, please visit JustGiving by [clicking here](#). Every donation helps this charity continue to support families like Zac's!



Warlingham
Sixth Form

"Running a marathon will be hard and a massive challenge but that's nothing compared to what Theo has had to go through. He will be our inspiration every step of the way."

You can follow Theo's journey on Facebook and Instagram:



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The sports and activity camps are open to children from 4-14 years old and run from 9am-4pm, (with extended hours available, 8am-6pm). There are camps running during the Easter break at Warlingham School & Sixth Form College from Monday 4th - Thursday 14th April 2022.



Children can take part in a variety of activities, including: swimming, nerf wars, arts and crafts, cookery, and various sports, so will have lots of fun!

Camp Prices
Single Day £33
Full Week £150
Early / Extended Camp £7
To book, [click here](#).

Funding
Camp 4 Champs has secured funding for this Easter camp for those parents/carers eligible for Free School Meals (FSM's) including the provision of lunch. If you are eligible to book a FREE place, you will receive an email from your child's/children's school with a unique code.



Easter at Bletchingley



Bletchingley Village
Primary School

BVPS held an Easter event, "Eggfest", during the last week of the half term. Children enjoyed a variety of eggcellent activities, including face painting, a chocolate raffle and meeting a certain bunny!

The first holiday club is being held this Easter break, which is very exciting as the next stage in opening the school and its extensive grounds all year round. Thirty-nine children



will be enjoying a fun-packed week of indoor and outdoor activities, including gymnastics, Forest Skills and a grass sledging trip. They will be cooking their lunch each day and ending the week with a campfire. Hopefully, we will see this expand over the coming year to provide a fun and healthy option for working parents and children ready for a challenge!

At the Tandridge Learning Centre, in Tithepit Shaw Lane, Warlingham, we offer a number of meeting rooms that can be configured in different ways and that represent a very cost-effective option for your events. We have a private, off-street car park and can arrange catering if required.

ELM SUITE

Maximum Capacity - 30 people

Ideal for training, meetings, interviews and other gatherings, the Elm Suite is a multi-purpose space equipped with a kitchen area and a

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Maximum Capacity - 30 people

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Maximum Capacity - 60 people

The Beech Hall is a large space with natural daylight. It can be used for a number of different activities, including meetings, physical activities and more. The hall can be furnished theatre-style, banquet-style or cabaret style and has audiovisual capability.



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