



Two Boats School

# Newsletter

Friday 20th May 2022



Hello Everyone,

Here we are at the end of another week and our last five day week for this term.

Today we said our Goodbyes to Hannah and her children as they embark on their new adventures in the Orkney Islands. We have absolutely enjoyed having Rosie and Rory at TBS and I know that they will be greatly missed by their friends, classmates and staff. From all of us here at TBS we wish you both good luck and best wishes. Have the most amazing time in your new schools.



Hannah has also played a pivotal role in the life of TBS. She has worked closely with us in a supporting role with our pastoral, safeguarding and well-being protocols and procedures. She has also contributed her skills and experiences as a School Governor. She has been there always for both students and staff alike. There is no doubt that Hannah will be greatly missed and leaves big shoes to fill for her replacement. Thanks are also extended to Donald who in his time here has contributed his efforts to music with some of the students at TBS.



In addition we also said our Goodbyes to Bruce and Penny Pledger. It has also been an absolute joy having you both here at TBS. Similarly I know that both of you will be missed by your friends, classmates and staff. We all wish you both good luck in your new schools and enjoy being back with your UK family and friends.



Charlie has worked at TBS for the time she has been here on Ascension, on a Part-time basis as a TA. What a fantastic job you have also done Charlie! You have been brilliant with the students in the Primary sector and you will also be greatly missed by all of us here

at TBS. You take with you our very best wishes; I know you will be amazing in your new school too. Thanks are also extended to Jay for his contributions to the school in his role as a School Governor.

To both the Lindsay and Pledger families, Thank you, Goodbye, Good luck and keep in touch. I hope that you are taking away some fantastic memories of your time here on Ascension.



That's it for this week!

Wishing everyone a very Happy St Helena Day for tomorrow!

Tania Maggott

Head Teacher

## Year 3 and 4 Visit

There has been a lot of exciting learning happening in Year 3 and 4! In particular, we would like to share some of the exciting things we have been doing in science!

Last term, we learned about plants. We conducted experiments on plants to learn about what they need to grow and what the function of leaves, stems, roots and flowers is.



To consolidate our learning about plants, we went on a field trip to Green Mountain, where we participated in an engaging educational session led by Lydia, Jolene and Diego from the Conservation Plant Team.

We learned about the difference between endemic, native and invasive plant species on Ascension Island.

The conservation team tested our knowledge on plants and the parts of flowers with a quiz and a chance to dissect and examine the parts of Ascension Lilies!



We also examined some of the canna lilies that grow near the Red Lion and learned about how they spread their seeds.







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We then walked from the Red Lion to the Marine Barracks. On the way there, we had to complete a plant scavenger hunt and locate and identify some of the plants found on Green Mountain.





After our walk, we learned about the endemic and native ferns on the island and the work the conservation team is doing to protect these from extinction. We also learned that ferns reproduce using spores, not flowers like some other plants.



We then helped to replot some *Ophioglossum* (Adder's Tongue). First, we mixed some perlite with compost; then, we cleaned the old soil off the Adder's Tongue's roots and finally, we replotted the fern in a new pot with some our new compost and perlite mix.





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Our trip to Green Mountain was fantastic! We'd like to thank Lydia, Jolene and Diego for planning such an engaging day for us!

Sadly, this term we will be saying goodbye to two of our classmates: Bruce and Penny. They have been such a huge part of our Year 3 and 4 Class. We are very sad to have to say goodbye, but wish them all the best for their adventures in the future!

