

Newsletter Friday 1st December 2023



Hello Everyone,

December is upon us and we are now well on our way with the Christmas preparations. This week we welcomed Mrs Jolene Thomas to the Office covering for Natasha who left on the last flight for overseas leave. Thank you Jolene! We also welcomed back Miss Young who has been busy with the EYFS this week, covering for Mrs Roberts who is also on overseas leave and Miss Yon-Bowers started back today in the Year 1 & 2 class. In what has been an unprecedented term cover wise, Mrs Wendy Bright will leave on tonight's flight for overseas medical. We are hoping that Mrs Bright will only be away for a short time. I am sure you will all join me in wishing her well.

Thank you to the team that is TBS for stepping in and pulling together, it has certainly been a challenge but the holidays are fast approaching!

In Assembly this morning we made our Christingles ready for the service on Sunday. Lay Minister Alan came in to help the students with this. Students were reminded of the meaning of the Christingle and the work carried out by the Children's Society. Hopefully we will see many students and parents at this service which will take place at St Mary's Church at 6.30pm on Sunday. The Student Council will have an active part to play in this service by doing the readings and prayers.







Earlier this week, we had a visit from Judith and Clare from Blue Marine. As both of them have said, Ascension Island truly is a wonderful place and has some of the most amazing waters. Often we forget to appreciate what we have right on our door step. It was an absolute joy to meet them and show them the Science Lab which Blue Marine funded. They were also able to see first- hand the impact of other monies spent on school equipment dating back before my time. We look forward to discussing with them other opportunities for spending any money donated to us. From all of us at TBS, Thank You.



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The Mitie Fire team also visited us this week so that the new members of the team could familiarise themselves with the layout of the school. Your support with checking out our extinguishers is also much appreciated. It is always a pleasure to have you guys here.

The coming week will see our youngest students perform their Christmas Nativity on Thursday 7th December at 6.30pm in the school Hall. During the interval the PTA Christmas raffle will be drawn and then there will be a short performance of song, dance and music by some students from the rest of the school. We look forward to seeing lots of you there.

House points:

Cronks are once again the weekly winners with 192 points. Well done Cronks!

Dampiers achieved 172 points and Elliots 149 points.



Our weekly star of the week:

Primary – Peyton O'Bey Hall

Secondary - Isabella Alexander and Kaya Pare'



Tania Maggott

Head Teacher







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Welcome to the secondary newsletter for this term. We have been busy with year 7 settling in, year 8 regrouping with 2 new students, year 9 beginning to explore their options, year 10 starting their chosen options on their IGCSE journey and year 11 completing their mock exams.

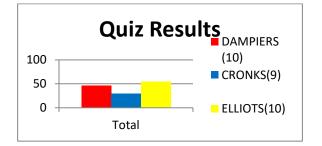
On the 8th September in line with world literacy day an inter house reading relay completion was launched.

Each house member had to read a specific book and pass it along to the next person.

To ensure they read the book our monthly house quiz for November was based on the books.

Daily reading is important for all age groups to Gain valuable knowledge; Exercise your brain; Improve your focus; Improve your memory; Enjoy entertainment; Improve your ability to empathize; Improve your communication skills; Reduce stress and increase your vocabulary.

Congratulations to Cronk's the winning House of the reading relay and to Elliots the winning House of the quiz.



We welcome visitors into the school to help enhance and promote the importance of their educational journey through real life experiences. This term we have seen Hayley the School nurse promoting health services available on island, Paul Bridgewater promoting children's views and voice on Island and last week Tobias from conservation came in to talk about Plastic on Ascension.



If you or your company would like to enhance our curriculum please get in touch, our students love to

see how what they do in school relates to the bigger picture outside the classroom.

Keep an eye out for the letter about Activity week, this year's theme for secondary is: Gingerbread Mania

