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Hello Everyone,

We are already more than half way through the first half term and this week it has been business as usual here at TBS. All students have settled back into school routines and are getting on with learning lots of new things.

Well done to Mr Duncan and Tash for completing their Lifeguarding refresher courses. Thank you for your continued support to the school.



House Points

Congratulations to Elliots for retaining the house cup for a third week in a row. Great job Elliots! Well done to our stars of the week Zoe in Primary and Kia in Secondary, congratulations girls.







Dampiers house won the J4G jeans decorating competition and also the secondary science quiz. Well done to all students in Dampiers. Great teamwork! Total funds raised for J4G charity now stands at £488 after a couple of late donations. Once again, thank you for your support.

Uniforms & Hoodies

There is a collection of school uniform bits that have been picked up around school over the last few months or so. If your child is missing pieces then do contact the school office so that the lost property box can be checked.

Upcoming dates for this term

Friday 3rd October – Teacher Appreciation Day

Friday 17th October – Harvest Assembly

Sunday 19th October – Sports Day.

That's it for this week!

Tania Maggott

Head Teacher

KS 4 Geography Field Trip



Year 10 and 11 GCSE geographers headed to the power station last week to investigate how the energy mix has changed over time on Ascension. We had a fascinating insight from the Encompass Power Station Manager, Steve Smith, into the changes that have occurred over the past few decades. Following our questions to him, we discovered that one of the greatest changes to



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Ascension's energy supply came with the wind turbines 15 years ago and they contribute to 10-20% of the island's power. Because the wind cannot offer a consistent and reliable source of energy, the power station needs to run at least one diesel engine at all times and sometimes two. As the population on the island has decreased, alongside more energy efficient technology, the demand for energy has reduced significantly over the past decade. As the diesel engines provide a set amount of power, the demand for energy is not high enough for the wind turbines to contribute a greater proportion of the energy mix, even though they have the capacity to do so. We also discussed the future and, in the hope that Ascension can use a cleaner source of fuel, which is better for the environment and cheaper, it is hoped that giant batteries can provide the reliability and consistency required to make the most of the wind turbine capacity. Following our in-depth discussion, we came away enlightened with a much better understanding of why Ascension hasn't moved to a greater proportion of renewable energy sources yet and hopes for the future. We didn't leave without visiting one of the wind turbines and seeing the size of them up close, although climbing one wasn't on the itinerary despite the pleas! Huge thanks to the Encompass staff, and especially Steve Smith, who gave up their valuable time to support our GCSE fieldwork.











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Hello from EYFS!

Welcome everybody to our first Newsletter of the new school year. We would like to introduce our new Nursery children who have only been at school for a week and a few days but have been very busy exploring their new classroom. Have a peek at them being very busy!







Hello from Elliot



Hello from Ezra



Hello from Ashanti



Hello from Leelen



















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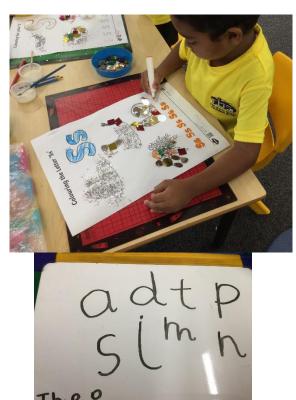


The Reception children have also been very busy at school and are now at school full time! They have been working so hard with Mrs O'Dean and Mrs Glynis and are really enjoying their learning.

They have now started their phonics learning and are making super progress. So far, they have learnt the sounds for m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g and o and they have started using their Fred talk to blend sounds together to read CVC words.







This week during maths, Reception have been learning about Measurement. The children really enjoyed discovering how balancing scales work and weighing objects that are heavy and light.

















The theme in Expressive Arts and Design this half-term is Marvellous Marks. The children have been exposed to using different media, e.g. wax crayons, felt pens, chalks to make different marks onto paper. They also took their learning outside and did some rubbings using the wax crayons. Thank you Ms Harris, we've been having lots of fun!



Today the children had a go at observational drawings using a pencil. Look how amazingly well they did.





