

PARENT AND CHILDREN'S NEWSLETTER



The Tapscott Learning Trust
*Working together,
achieving for all*

Dear Parents and Children,

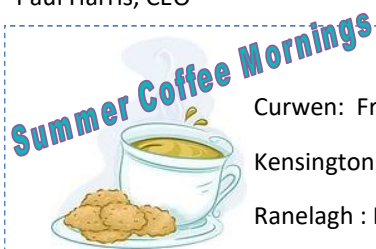
I can't quite believe that we are almost at the end of our second term as a Trust, but have great pleasure in sending you this term's newsletter detailing many of our achievements to date.

During the Spring Term, the Trust received its first internal audit across each of the schools and I am pleased to be able to let you know that our systems were recognised as being very strong. The schools' continue to work well in partnership in supporting our teaching and learning and also ensuring that we secure savings so that there is more money to spend at school level to educate the children. By working together I believe that we are best able to concentrate on the children and to deliver on our agreed aims and visions.

I am also delighted that the Trust has been recognised for our excellent work by being awarded a grant by the Department of Education which will support and develop the work that is being done in our Training Hub. Moreover, I am also pleased to announce that all of our schools have now been awarded the IQM Inclusive School Award, Centre of Excellence.

As you know, the Trust is committed to working hand in hand with each of our individual communities to ensure that we take on board the views and opinions of everyone involved and I therefore look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at the next coffee mornings in the Summer Term (dates below)

Paul Harris, CEO



Curwen: Friday 15th June 2018

Kensington: Friday 29th June 2018

Ranelagh : Friday 13th July 2018

Visit from the New Education Secretary, Damian Hinds.

In January, Curwen Primary School received a visit from the new Secretary of State for Education, Damian Hinds, who met with pupils and staff.

The purpose of the visit was to share with us the very good news that the Trust has been awarded a grant by the MAT Development & Improvement Fund to support our work.



Pupil Parliament Update:

In the Autumn, our new Pupil Parliament set their goals for this academic year and the group are currently working towards meeting their targets.

One of the team goals was to develop pupil voice across the schools. An example of the work done so far has been asking all children their thoughts and feelings around play times and lunchtimes. The Pupil Parliament then looked at the data that they had collected and developed a plan on how to address some of the issues. As a result of the findings, the group then ordered a range of books that they believe will teach children how to improve attitudes, develop resilience and empower pupils.

In addition, our Pupil Parliament has made two presentations to the Board of Trustees who commented on their excellent public speaking skills.

Spotlight On... Paul Belcher

I have worked at Curwen since 2011, initially as PE Subject Leader, before joining The Tapscott Learning Trust in September as the Competition & Sports Development Lead. So what do I do?

Firstly, I don't work at North Beckton but I do share an office with Danny Mansfield at The TTLT's offices which are situated next to North Beckton Primary. I divide my week between the three TTLT schools and also North Beckton and Rebecca Cheetham Nursery, supporting our staff to deliver high quality PE lessons. I work closely with each schools PE Subject Leader to ensure that what we offer to all pupils is fun, challenging, broad and varied.

When I am not teaching, I manage a school sports competition calendar for the TTLT Schools and this includes inviting other schools in the borough to enter. Each year group will have at least one competition per term ranging from Mini Olympics to Rugby and Football Festivals, Girls Active Events and, hopefully, a Swimming Gala in July.

If you would like to know more about what I do please visit www.ttl.academy and click on the @SportTapscott tab or follow us on twitter @SportTapscott.



Tapscott Sports Development Competitions

School	Competitions Entered	Points
Curwen Primary	4	17
Kensington Primary	4	13
Ranelagh Primary	4	9

Points are awarded on a sliding scale. E.g. If five schools enter a competition, the winning school receives 5 points, 2nd 4 points, 3rd 3 points and so on. If 10 schools enter a competition the winning school receives 10 points, 2nd 9 points and so on. In some competitions points are awarded for participation only.



Updates from the Training Hub:

The Training Hub continues to provide opportunities for our staff across the Trust to develop professionally. This term has seen the continuation of our TTLT leadership programme in partnership with the Institute of Education, as well as work in supporting and developing new leaders across our schools. We have continued to develop other training programmes ranging from Autism, Reading and one - one teacher support. To date, the Training Hub has provided over 500 staff training sessions. And we are also extremely pleased to announce a new partnership with Street Games, a sports charity helping disadvantaged communities, which will see us recruit and develop Sport Coach Apprentices in our schools. This is a fantastic opportunity, not only for young people in our community, but also for our Trust in developing skilled members of our P.E teams that will benefit our children.

Please continue to follow us on twitter @TrainTapscott and through our website www.ttl.academy

Sponsors Wanted

In the summer term, The Tapscott Learning Trust schools' will be coming together to celebrate the fabulous achievements that have been made by our Pupils, Staff and Members of the Community. To help us make this Awards Ceremony an overwhelming success, we are looking for local businesses or individuals to sponsor one of the awards. If you are able to help please collect more information from the school office, or alternatively, please contact karen.shirt@ttl.academy

We would love to hear your suggestions for the Trust!

Please let us know on:

info@ttl.academy



Term Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term:

5th September – 19th October

29th October – 19th December

Spring:

8th January – 15th February

25th February – 5th April

Summer:

24th April – 24th May

3rd June – 23rd July



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