A Day in the Life of a Trawden Child

09:00 Every morning when I arrive at school, I unpack my things ready for class. When I enter the classroom, the teacher (Mrs Clark) is sat down doing the register while everybody reads quietly. We have our Guided Reading session where we answer comprehension questions about a poem. We are learning to scan the text and quote evidence.

09:30 After Guided Reading, we got ready for forest school, where we explore and discover interesting wildlife and we look at nature in our school field. When I got into the school field, me and my friend Jade went looking for willow so that we could cut off the whips and use the flexible pieces to make intergalactic orbs (that linked to our topic work.) It took some time but eventually, we found some willow and we started to make our orb. After we finished our orb, we were allowed to snow spheres, so I decided to go to the bottom of the field and started to roll a ball of snow to make my snow sphere. Then Jade came to help and we finished the snow sphere quicker. Suddenly, everybody seemed to be freezing so Mrs Clark thought it would be a good idea if we all went back inside.

10:45 Once in class we hung our orbs on a washing line then it was time for Maths. We are learning about sequences, including negative numbers and we had problems to solve and had to write our reasoning in detail.

12:00 We had a practice for Young Voices choir, in preparation for the ‘big event’ on Monday!

1:00 After lunch, we had Topic and learned about different planets and the Solar System. We are currently creating Solar System posters. I learned a mnemonic relating to the order of the planets: My Very Educated Mother Just Serves Us Noodles!

2:15 We had break in the KS2 playground. I like to chat with my friends during this time.

2:30 PE with FUNDA.

3:15 Our Class Novel is ‘The Portal’ about a boy and his brother, called William and Daniel, whose parents have gone missing without trace! It’s mysterious!

3:30 After school when everyone went home, I went to homework club to do my homework whilst listening to music on scratch.

4:30 After a long day at school, I went home.

I enjoy being at school because it is always fun and I have such a good time being with my friends during lessons and playtime. My favourite lesson at the moment is Forest School, as it is a different learning experience!

By Lilia Flanagan

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Dragon’s Den Wow Event – Pendle Reading Challenge.

Six Reading Ambassadors attended the Pendle Reading Challenge’s Dragon’s Den event, held at the ACE Centre on Friday 12th January 2018. They had to greet the ‘Dragons’ which included the Mayor and Mayoress of Pendle, discuss books in the cosy corner and pitch to the dragons to encourage donations of time, money or resources to help to fund the project. A colossal job for primary school children, I hope you’d agree! The project has been set up to raise the profile of reading within Pendle, which has one of the lowest rates of reading within the country. The aim is to develop a love of reading, and to encourage more children to read in line with their chronological age.

The Reading Ambassador’s work helped to raise £6000 in financial pledges and a range of other services such as discounted author visits, free theatre tickets and Burnley Football Club Primary Stars support. The Pendle Reading Challenge as a whole will benefit from these fantastic services, and the money raised will really help to build up the initiative over the next two years. A massive ‘well done and thank you!’ to Latifah, Chloe, Phoebe, Kitty, Mitchell and Layla for all of your hard work, you were a real credit to the school in your attitude, behaviour and maturity.

**Dates for your diary**

**Monday 22nd January**
Young Voices Choir Concert in Manchester

**Monday 5th 3:40-6:00pm and Tuesday 6th 5:30-8:00pm**
Parents Evening for Years R,2,3,4,5,6

**Monday 5th 3:40-6:00pm and Wednesday 7th 5:30-8:00pm**
Parents Evening for Y1

**Friday 9th February**
Assembly led by Year 5 - parents welcome!
School finishes for 1/2 term at 3.30pm

**Monday 19th February**
School starts—doors open at 8.50am

**Thursday 22nd February 6:00pm**
Parents meeting for Y6 residential trip to Robinwood

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**Headteacher’s Note:**
The children thoroughly enjoyed the fabulous Peter Pan Pantomime on Wednesday in school, despite the snowy start! A big thank you to the PTA for funding the event. I hope that you will enjoy our weekly newsletter and find the new regular features informative.

Thank you for your continued support, Mrs L J Stinchon

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**YOUNG VOICES**

All the children involved in this amazing event brought a letter home confirming all the details and times.

Mrs Clark and staff are taking the children to Manchester on Monday 22nd January. They will be leaving school at lunch time and will be back at the bottom of Dean Street at approximately 10:30/11:00pm (depending on traffic).

We would like to wish them all good luck and we are sure they will make us very proud. Thank you to Mrs Clark and the staff for organising and supervising the children.

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**PRIORiTIES**

1. Reading
2. Times tables
3. Spelling

Just reading 10-15 minutes every day with your child has shown to make a huge difference to memory, focus, improved vocabulary, spelling and analytical skills.

Helping your child practice to rapidly recall times tables is a skill that will be life long.

Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated.

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**After School Activities**

**Tuesdays 3:30-4:30**
Boys KS2 Football

**Thursdays 3:30-4:30**
Girls KS2 Football
KS1 FUNDA - Tri Golf - KS2 hall
Karate KS1 hall 3:30-5:00

**Fridays 3:30-4:30**
KS2 FUNDA - Dance - KS2 hall

**Mondays (weekly)**
woodwind lessons

**Tuesdays (weekly)**
3:30-4:30
KS2 Homework club

**Thursdays (weekly)**
Guitar lessons

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