

Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,



JUNIOR SCHOOL DAY TIMES FROM SEPTEMBER 2022: In line with the Government guidelines for the school week running 'for at least 32 ½ hours' Governors have approved the school day starting at 8.45am, and ending at 3.15pm. The gates will open at 8.35am to enable children to get into school and be ready for starting learning at 8.45am. Children will still be able to get the school bus in the morning as they currently do, but unfortunately the bus company are unable to accommodate a collection from Town End after our 3.15pm finish so there will be no bus at the end of the day. Currently children leave school early to get the bus and this not only means that they are getting ready from shortly after 3pm, but the learning for other children is disrupted. Our commitment is to ensuring quality learning for every child from 8.45am-3.15pm.



Next Friday children in Year 5/6 will have the opportunity to take part in a Samba Bamba session with Brian Costello. We have worked with Brian at The Infant School in the past and his workshops are always a real hands on experience for the children, and great fun! This will be a nice treat after a week of SATs for the Year 6 children, along with cake and ice-cream (the ice-cream van will be visiting in the afternoon and the children will be able to have an ice-cream or ice-lolly of their choice paid for by the school as a well done for working so hard). The ice-cream van will also be there at the end of the school day for other children to purchase ice-creams if you would like them to.



TIBSHELF CELEBRATES THE PLATINUM ANNIVERSARY OF OUR QUEEN: On Friday 27th May the whole school will celebrate The Platinum Jubilee. All children in school can come to school dressed in 'royal costumes' or dressed in red, white and/or blue. For lunch the children will be having 'a street party'. The school has purchased jubilee medals that will be given to every child on Friday 27th May; these recognise their time as a pupil at Town End Junior School at the time of this important milestone in The Queen's life. This year marks a very special anniversary as Her Majesty The Queen becomes the first British Monarch in history to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, after 70 years of service. To celebrate this momentous occasion, all primary school children across the country will receive a free commemorative book that celebrates the achievements of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth over the last 70 years.

I have arranged for the Year 5/6 classes to have an education day out at Pleasley Vale Outdoor Activity Centre. We ask for a voluntary contribution of £25 per child to cover the cost of the coach and the activities; the children will take part in bell boating, canoeing, bush craft and archery, plus team games. This is all organised by The Centre and promises to be a great day of outdoor learning. **[PLEASE GIVE YOUR CONSENT USING THIS LINK – CLICK HERE.](#)** If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding school will pay for this educational visit and provide a packed lunch if required.

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Monday 13th June – Mr. Batchford’s class

Monday 20th June – Mr. Sharpe’s class

Thursday 14th July – Mrs. Taylor’s & Miss Riley’s class (with Miss Riley)

Over last term I have had regular meetings with The School Council and they wanted me to arrange for all children in school to benefit from funds raised over the last couple of years. They specifically requested a visit to The Yorkshire Wildlife Park. I have now arranged this for **Monday 18th July, Year 5/6** and **Tuesday 19th July, Year 3/4**. There will be no cost for the day as the money in this account will cover the cost of the coaches and admission to the park. Your child will need to bring a packed lunch and drinks (no glass bottles please), they will need to wear a school sweatshirt/cardigan, and if they have a school cap please could they wear that. They will not need to bring any spending money. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding a packed lunch can be supplied if you wish; please let us know. If you feel your child would benefit from you accompanying them and you are able to do this, please let me know as soon as possible so we can take this into consideration. This could be either on the coach or by them travelling with you in your own car. [PLEASE GIVE YOUR CONSENT USING THIS LINK – Click Here](#)

BREAKFAST CLUB & AFTER SCHOOL CARE BOOKINGS FOR THIS TERM CAN BE MADE BY [CLICKING HERE](#)

UNIFORM: Uniform for both schools can now be ordered through the website under the tab “Tibshelf Schools” or you [can click here to place an order](#). You can order adults sizes (small, medium, large). We currently don’t stock all adult sizes but can order them in – if you will need these larger sizes for September please order as soon as possible.

AFTER SCHOOL & LUNCHTIME CLUBS CAN BE BOOKED ONTO USING PARENT PAY. Places are limited and if you can’t book on it means that the club is full. After School Clubs are charged at £4, payable through Parent Pay. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding your child’s club place will be funded through school.

CLUBS FOR THE SUMMER TERMS - 3.15-4.15pm

£4 charge for each AFTER SCHOOL club

If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, school will fund the club place

Please use this link to book places <https://www.parentpay.com/>

Monday

Glee Club (singing & dancing) run by Mrs. Hoskyns

Craft Club run by Mrs. Wheatcroft

Japanese Club run by Mrs. Crabtree

Tuesday

Multi Sports run by Mrs. Hodson

Wednesday

Soft archery run by Express Coaching

Maths Puzzle Club run by Mr. Batchford

Thursday

Football run by Aaron

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Friday

Dodgeball run by Premier Sport

Monday lunchtime Cross Stitch Club run by Mrs. Taylor

There is no charge for this lunchtime club

12-12.30pm – Y5/6

Wednesday lunchtime Coding Club run by Mr. Sharpe

There is no charge for this lunchtime club

12-12.30pm - Y5/6

12.30-1pm - Y3/4

Friday lunchtime Cross Stitch Club run by Ms. Riley

There is no charge for this lunchtime club

12.30-1pm – Y3/4



GET UP & GO: EVERY MORNING. If your child comes to Get Up & Go in a morning, please encourage them to wear a sport's top and bring a change of top. Also they are welcome to bring deodorant if they need to re-apply; Mrs. Hodson will make sure they have the time and privacy to do this.

BALLOON PARTIES – AFLAIR 4 AIR: Rob is available for children's parties, weddings and



celebrations, to make special balloon models on request for special events, balloon modelling workshops. Rob is fully DBS checked and has a portfolio of balloon models that can be viewed on request. A very talented man as he also juggles and rides the unicycle! Call Rob on 07749388398 or email: aflair4air@gmail.com

Please find a list of dates below for the coming year. These will be updated as necessary weekly so please do keep checking them for changes/additions.

Day, date, time	Event
Monday 9 th – Thursday 12 th May	Year 6 SATs
Friday 13 th May	Year 5/6 Samba Bamba and cake & ice cream treat afternoon
Tuesday 17 th May	Class group photographs
Friday 27 th May	Queen's Platinum Party Day; wear red, white and/or blue to school – Street Party lunch
	Break up for May holiday week
Monday 6 th June	Queen's Platinum Holiday Day in lieu of mid-week bank holiday during May holiday week NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 7 th June	Back to school for Summer Term 2
Monday 13 th June	Year 5/6 – Mr. Batchford's class to Pleasley Vale Outdoor Education Centre

Monday 20 th June	Year 5/6 – Mr. Sharpe’s class to Pleasley Vale Outdoor Education Centre
Friday 24 th June	Wear Bright for Sight Fundraising Day to raise awareness of sight loss – wear something yellow to school, £1 donation
Monday 27 th June	INSET Staff Training NO SCHOOL
Friday 8 th July, 1pm	Sports Afternoon
Thursday 14 th July	Year 5/6 - Mrs. Taylor & Miss Riley’s class to Pleasley Vale Outdoor Education Centre, £25 per child
Monday 18 th July, leaving school at 9am leaving The Park at 2.30pm	Year 5/6 educational visit to The Yorkshire Wildlife Park, no cost to parents for this day out
Tuesday 19 th July, leaving school at 9am leaving The Park at 2.30pm	Year 3/4 educational visit to The Yorkshire Wildlife Park, no cost to parents for this day out
Wednesday 20 th July, 9.30am	Year 6 Leaver’s Assembly, 2 adults per child are very welcome to join us for this
Wednesday 20 th July	Year 6 Climbing Wall Experience Day and picnic lunch for Year 5 & Year 6 children
Thursday 21 st July	School break up for Summer holidays, collection from 1.15pm
Friday 22 nd July	INSET Day, staff training
Thursday 1 st & Friday 2 nd September	INSET Days, staff training
Monday 5 th September	Back to school for the new 2022/2023 academic year

Holidays during term time - You should not normally take your child on holiday during term time. GOV.UK has information on [what the law says about school attendance and absence](#).

If you need to request a leave of absence for your child please use this link or go onto the website to complete the Leave of Absence form. [Click here for the form](#)

If you ever need to make contact with school after we have closed please be aware that you can email, headteacher@townend.derbyshire.sch.uk I will usually pick up messages until about 9pm, and of course, if you need me to, I will contact you. You can also now message via The Jotter app. If you have a child at The Infant School you are also welcome to message me via the app. Sometimes there may be something worrying or upsetting your child and you might not be able to get to the bottom of it – please do not feel you have to worry all night!

Have a good week, *Zoë*