

Friday 8th April 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

JUST A REMINDER THAT WE BREAK UP TODAY FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS. COLLECTION FOR ALL CHILDREN IS FROM 1.15pm. THE BUS WILL BE AT SCHOOL AT 1.15pm TO COLLECT CHILDREN GOING HOME BY BUS. COLLECTION AFTER 1.20pm, WILL BE FROM THE MAIN FRONT DOOR. THERE IS NO AFTER CARE OR CLUBS ON FRIDAY 8th APRIL.



Friday 8 th April	M&M Theatre Company performance for children in school – Treasure Island
Friday 8 th April	Break up for Easter holidays, collection from 1.15pm
Monday 25 th April	Back to school

CONGRATUALIONS TO ALL OUR EASTER EGG WINNERS (thank you parents/carers for your donations).

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

CONNIE B: Guess the eggs in the jar competition

SAMUEL L: Guess the number of spots on the Easter egg wrapper

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS TERM'S BOOK RAFFLE WINNERS:

SAMUEL J – Mr. Smith's class

ISAAC W – Mrs. Wheatcroft/Mr/ Cowell's class

MOLLIE L – Mrs. Crabtree's class

Lilly-Mae B – Miss Taylor/Miss Riley's class

Eva Ba – Mr. Batchford's class

Esme L – Mr. Sharpe's class



Congratulations Scarlett Holland for gaining her Baking badge and a Well Done badge at Brownies this week.

Attendance – ‘Attendopoly’

Mr. Smith: 84%

Mr. Cowell & Mrs. Wheatcroft: 83%

Mrs. Crabtree: 85%

Mr. Sharpe: 94%

Miss Riley & Mrs. Taylor: 93%

Mr. Batchford: 85%

This week school has been beset by illness across children & staff and this is reflected in these well below average attendance figures. The number of late arrivals at school continues to decrease, so thank you for your support to make sure your child is in school on time (before 8.50am) every morning.

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

PARENT/CARER/TEACHER MEETINGS: Thank you to everyone who was able to come into school or speak to their child’s class teacher on the phone. It was great to see so many of you during the week, and I know many of you felt it was great to be back in school to look at your child’s books and see their classroom. If you weren’t able to come in, for whatever reason, you are welcome to make an appointment to visit another time. Whether you had a face to face meeting or a telephone meeting we would welcome your feedback. This gives us information so that we can continue to improve the education we provide for your child, address any concerns, look at the school learning environment, and celebrate successes. Please use the link to complete the feedback form. [Parent Questionnaire Form – Click here](#)

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the [next steps for living with COVID-19](#) in England from Friday 1 April. Free COVID-19 tests will continue to be available for specific groups, including eligible patients and NHS staff, once the universal testing offer ends on Friday 1 April.

Updated guidance will advise:

- adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. **For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days**

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

Dance Club run by KJ Dance

Thursday

Football run by Aaron

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

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



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.

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 2 nd May	May Bank Holiday NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 3 rd May	Mike Copestake, High Sheriff for 2022 to talk to Year 5/6 children about aspiration and careers
Tuesday 17 th May	Class group photographs
Friday 27 th May	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
Friday 24 th June	Wear Bright for Sight Fundraising Day to raise awareness of sight loss – wear something yellow to school, £1 donation
Friday 24 th June, 1.30pm	Sports Afternoon & Summer Fayre – more information to follow
Monday 27 th June	INSET Staff Training NO SCHOOL
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. 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 Easter break,

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