

Thursday 1st December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,



ELF DAY: Tomorrow your child may come to school in Christmas jumpers, elf costumes, or Christmas clothes – sensible shoes please. It is our Christmas Market so the gates will open at 8am and you are welcome to have a wander round, see Santa and his Christmas pony, buy your reindeer food & hot chocolate, and enjoy a festive start to the school day before dropping your child as usual. The gates will also be open at 2pm for you to enjoy these festivities at the end of the school day.

APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL PLACE: Please make sure that you apply for a Year 3 place if your child is currently in Year 2, or a Reception place if your child is born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019. You **MUST** apply by midnight on 15th January to get them a place. [Apply online at by clicking here.](#)

THE FRIENDS CHRISTMAS SHOP: Your child will have the opportunity to visit The Christmas Shop over the next couple of weeks if you returned their envelope detailing the presents they needed to buy. These can still be sent into school if you missed the deadline. Presents will be sent home for them to put under your tree.



PANTOMIME: This year our pantomime day is on Thursday 15th December. All children in school have a seat booked, the cost per child is £13. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding school will pay, but you must complete the consent form, if you have problems with this please let us know. There are some seats available for nursery children (who must be accompanied by an adult) and for adults of children in school. These extra seats will be allocated on a first come basis. We will let you know when they are on School Gateway to book. Your child will need to bring a snack box and a drink. Children in school will have lunch on their return to school but this is not until after 12.30pm. In the past The Friends have provided a snack bag, but with so many differing tastes and dietary requirements, it has been easier over past years to ask children to provide their own.

CHRISTMAS DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES ARE IN A TABLE BELOW, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THESE SO YOU DON'T MISS ANYTHING DURING THIS BUSY TERM.

CHRISTMAS DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

EVENT & DAY	YEAR 2	YEAR 1	FS2/RECEPTION	FS1/NURSERY
Friday 2nd December, from 8am-9am and from 2pm – Friends Christmas Market with Santa & his reindeer, Christmas ice-cream van, stalls and gifts. (Junior School children can visit at the start of the day without getting a late mark or can be collected from 2pm)				
	This event is for all children to attend if accompanied by a grown up at the start or end of the school day. Children to be brought to the nursery gate, FS2 classroom doors, Y1/Y2 playground doors as usual after visiting The Market with you. Collection from the usual places any time from 2pm if you want to visit The Market at the end of the day.			

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Executive Headteacher: Zoë Andrews

Friday 2nd December – Elf Day, Your child can dress up as an elf, wear a Christmas jumper, or wear Christmas clothes/colours to get into the Christmas spirit!	😊	😊	😊	😊
Thursday 8th December, Christmas Jumper Day, £1 donation for Save the Children	😊	😊	😊	😊
Tuesday 13th December - Reception nativity, A Wriggly Nativity, 9.15am and 2.15pm in school. (Two grown ups per child for each performance)			😊	
Thursday 15th December, Pantomime at The Winding Wheel for all children in school - £13 per child - £13 for adult tickets, allocated on a first come basis Open on School Gateway for payment and consent <i>(School will pay for children in receipt of Pupil Premium funding but you must complete the online consent form)</i>	😊	😊	😊	😊 ONLY IF ACCOMPANIED BY A GROWN UP
Friday 16th December, Pantomime Dance Workshops (West End in Schools) ALADDIN	😊	😊	😊	
Tuesday 20th December, Carols at Church 9.30am & 2pm	😊	😊		
Tuesday 20th December, Christmas lunch	😊	😊	😊	😊
Wednesday 21st December, Nursery Christmas parties & break up day				😊
Wednesday 21st December, Santa visiting school	😊	😊	😊	😊
Wednesday 21st December, 2pm - Mike & Band – carols on the playground (Parents/Carers very welcome to join)	😊	😊	😊	😊
Thursday 22nd December, Break up for Christmas holidays – collection from 1pm	😊	😊	😊	

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

Very well done Cady Easom for getting Man of the Match for working hard in football!

Very well done Eva Sherriff for completing the second stage of her swimming, and moving to Stage 3!

Very well done Chloe Garner for getting you first swimming certificate – Duckling 1 award!

Very well done Oliver Cook for getting the 'Best of the Best' award in kickboxing!

Very well done Georgia Reckless for getting your Stage 2 swimming award and moving into **YELLOW HATS!**



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FOR THE AUTUMN TERMS CAN BE BOOKED FROM THROUGH THE APP. CLUBS ARE OPEN FOR YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 CHILDREN. ALL CLUBS ARE £4 PER SESSION. YOU NEED TO BOOK FOR THE TERM – PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE WEEKLY OR TERMLY. ALL CLUBS WILL APPEAR WITH SUMMER 2022 AT THE START. Last day for clubs Wednesday 14th December. LAST DAY FOR CLUBS LED BY A TEACHER IS TUESDAY 9th DECEMBER.

Monday – Football with Aaron

Computing Club with Mrs. Alton & Mrs. Husselbee

Singing Club with Mrs. Moody

Tuesday – Gymnastics with Premier Sport

ECO Club with Mrs. Butler

Music Club with Mrs. Austin & Pete

Wednesday – Clay Creators (You will book this directly with Clay Creators - derby@claycreators.com)

Friday – Dance with Kelly

P.E. Days
FS2 – Thursday
Year 1 – Thursday
Year 2 – Monday

**YEAR 1 CHILDREN WILL CONTINUE TO GO TO THE ALLOTMENT ON THURSDAY AFTERNOONS.
YEAR 2 WILL RESUME THEIR VISITS TO THE ALLOTMENT IN SPRING TERM 2.**

Please make sure your child comes to school in suitable P.E. kit on those days. Hair should be tied up and **if your child usually wears ear-rings these should be removed or covered prior to coming to school.**

NURSERY/DUCKLINGS – WELLY BOOT WEDNESDAY: On Wednesdays your child should come to nursery wearing their puddlesuit and wellington boots. They will be outside all session so please make sure that as the weather gets colder they are well wrapped up and have gloves and hats.



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](#) Pre-owned uniform can be purchased or exchanged in the cabin, there is a large amount of stock there in the boxes and hanging on the rail.

CLOTHING: Please make sure any uniform your child wears to school is clearly named. This is especially important for sweatshirts, cardigans and coats. It may be a good idea to attach a keyring with a small figure to the zip pull to help your child to recognise their coat more easily! If your child comes out of school at the end of the day without their cardigan or sweatshirt, please send them back in to collect it – having items named makes this so much easier! Clothes that are left at the end of the day will be hung on your child’s peg (if named) or put onto the trolley that is put outside nursery every morning. **Please make sure your child comes to school every day with a waterproof and weatherproof coat. NO SCARVES PLEASE.**

**COMMUNITY HELP
WINTER 2022**

WARM BANK → **TIBSHELF VILLAGE HALL**

Starting from 1st November, Tibshelf Village Hall will open its doors to the public on Tuesday afternoons, 12:30pm to 3pm, each week of the winter. This is initially to test demand, and could be extended to more days and times if needed. The Hall will offer a warm space so that people can turn off their heating for a few hours. Join us for bingo, pub quiz, board games and a children's toy corner. We ask that residents in genuine need attend, although we will not turn people away.

COMMUNITY CAFE → **TIBSHELF VILLAGE HALL**

A Community Café will be open at the Village Hall during the Warm Bank and operating out of kitchen hatch. It is planned this will provide teas and coffees, as well as food being on offer. It too will initially test demand and would be extended if the Warm Bank is. We also ask that residents in genuine need attend, although none will be turned away.

Please find a list of dates below for the coming year. These will be added to as other events are arranged so please keep checking them on a weekly basis.

Day, date, time	Event
Thursday 8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day, £1 donation to Save the Children charity – children may also wear their Christmas jumpers for the last week of term.
Friday 9 th December from 1pm	Town End Junior School Christmas Fayre
Thursday 15 th December, 10.15am	Sleeping Beauty Pantomime at The Winding Wheel Theatre, Chesterfield
Tuesday 20 th December, 9.30am & 2pm	Christmas carols with Pete and band at church
Tuesday 20 th December	Christmas lunch for children in school
Wednesday 21 st December	Santa visiting school & Nursery
Wednesday 21 st December, 2pm	Mike and band at school singing on the playground with school & nursery – parents/carers welcome to join
Wednesday 21 st December	Nursery Christmas parties Break up for Christmas, usual collection times
Thursday 22 nd December	School break up for Christmas, collection from 1pm – no After School Care
Monday 9th January 2023	Return to school for Spring Term 1
Monday 27 th February 2023	INSET Day, Focus TBA
Monday 26 th June	INSET Day, Focus TBA

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](#).

Your child's safety, well-being and happiness will always be a top priority for us throughout the year. If there is something worrying your child, please let us know – little things can quickly escalate if they are not dealt with. If you are not able to speak to your child's class teacher at the beginning of the day please feel that you can catch me, Mrs. Alton or Chris or catch me around school if you have any concerns or worries about anything you feel may affect your child's education. It is very important we are kept informed so that we can ensure your child receives the best care and education. Please also remember to let us know if your immediate contact details change, especially mobile phone numbers.

You can log onto our website at www.tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk or contact us via email info@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk or headteacher@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk, or phone **01773 872571**. If we are not in the office when you phone you will hear a lovely answer phone

message from one of our Year 2 pupils – just leave your message and we'll get back to you. Weekly newsletters can also be found on our website.

If you ever need to make contact with school after we have closed please be aware that you can send a text via the School Gateway App or by email, headteacher@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk I will usually pick up messages from both or one of these sources until about 10pm, and of course, if you need me to, I will contact you. 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,

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