



Newsletter 1



Monday 9th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to everyone! I am delighted to be writing this as the interim Executive Headteacher at Tibshelf Infant and Nursery School. I have been working in education for 26 years and have been a Headteacher for the past 6, working with this school as part of the 5 Pits Partnership Collaboration. I am looking forward to getting to know you and all the children over the next few weeks and thank you to Mrs Andrews and the staff who have supported me so well in the handover.

I will be working at Tibshelf Infants every Wednesday afternoon and all day on a Thursday and Friday. I will be out on the playground so please do pop over and say hello! I will also be holding a parent/carer drop-in in the school hall on **Wednesday 25th January at 2.15pm** and **again at 5pm** to formally introduce myself, gather your views and ideas and share with you the school priorities going forward.

Your child's safety, well-being and happiness will always be a top priority for us. If there is any time that your child is worried about anything or if you have any questions, please do let the class teacher, Mrs Alton or myself know so we can help. As the Head of School, Mrs Alton will be at Tibshelf Infants every day and I will be working at the school Wednesday afternoon, and all day Thursday and Friday. However, I will always be contactable Monday to Friday and be at Tibshelf Infants if needed. Below is also a list of the staff and I will send details of the Tibshelf Schools Federation Governing Body in my next newsletter.

Staffing responsibilities

Mrs Boswell: Interim Executive Head teacher, SENDCo, Deputy designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Alton: Head of School, Designated Safeguarding Lead
Nursery Teacher (FS1): Mrs Butler
Reception Teacher (FS2): Mrs Husselbee (Mon-Wed) and Mrs Alton (Thurs-Fri)
Reception Teacher (FS2): Mrs Watson
Y1 teachers: Mrs Moody
Y1 teachers: Mrs Weaver
Y2 teacher: Mrs Ashall (SENDCo),
Y2 Teacher: Mrs Austin
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Pryor (HLTA), Mrs Adams, Mrs Armstrong, Mrs Courtney, Mrs Fairbrother, Mrs Grundy, Mrs Harrison, Mrs McIlwrick, Mrs Rowe, Mrs C Smith, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Wakefield, Mrs Wheatcroft, Miss Whitton
Office: Mr Cafferty - Deputy designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs S Smith
Lunchtime staff: Mrs Hall, Ms Glasby, Mrs Knowles, Mrs M Smith, Mrs S Smith
Well-being (P4YP - Positive for Young People): Mrs Stacy Johnson

Clubs

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After School club	Football with Alex Please book this directly with Alex at https://sensport.co.uk/	No club	No club	Multi-sports With Alex Please book this directly with Alex at https://sensport.co.uk/	Dance with Kelly



Free school meals

With the increasing costs of everything please do consider that you could be eligible for free school meals. To find out, please visit [Derbyshire County Council - Free School Meals](#) or speak to the school office. Even if your child has sandwiches or is a universal free school meal (Reception to Year 2), the school still receives extra funding for every eligible child.

Apply for a school place for children in Nursery and Year 2.

If your child is in nursery or year 2, you will need to apply for a reception place or a junior school place by 15th January 2023. Please click this link to apply: [DCC - apply for a school place](#)

Information about School Closures ❄️

We sincerely hope we don't have to close school due to snow this winter. It is not a decision we take lightly. It's always a last resort but sometimes it is unavoidable. There are a number of ways you can find out if we've had to close the school or part of it:

- Our texting communication service directly to parents - please make sure the school office has your most up to date mobile number.
- Online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures
- On local radio.



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is given the highest priority at Tibshelf Infants. There may be times when adults are concerned about children in the community. If so, then you can contact Derbyshire County Council's Child Protection department on 01629 533190 or the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000. Please don't ignore concerns; child protection is everyone's responsibility.

School holiday dates

HOLIDAY	SCHOOL CLOSÉS (Last Day)	SCHOOL RE-OPENS (Children Return)
February Half Term	Friday 17th February 2023	Tuesday 28th February 2023
Easter Holiday	Friday 31 st March 2023	Monday 17th April 2023
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 1 st May 2023	
Spring Bank Holiday	Friday 26th May 2023	Monday 5th June 2023
Summer Holiday	Friday 21st July 2023	TBC

INSET DAYS
Monday 27th February
Monday 26th June

I look forward to meeting you all soon,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Boswell (Headteacher)