

Newsletter 10th March 2024

World Book Day

We enjoyed celebrating World Book Day across school on Thursday!



Diary Dates

- Monday 11th March/ Wednesday 13th March- School Parent Evenings.
- Monday 11th Mrs Sacco (covering Mrs Lyle's maternity leave) in school all week to work alongside Mrs Lyle and the Puffin Class.
- Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day. Mrs Lyle's last day as her maternity leave starts. Children can come to school dressed in red if they wish too for a small donation of 50p which will go towards Comic Relief.
- Mrs Sacco's first week as the Puffin Class teacher.
- Wednesday 27th March- Toucan Too (Mrs Smith) Class Parent/carer Lunch. Booking forms are now open and will close on the 18th March.
- Thursday 28th March – break up for the Easter Holidays
- Monday 15th April – return to school

Parents Evening

Please come to the main entrance for the meetings next week. Friends of Tibshelf will be offering refreshments in the Toucan Classroom (just off the hall). Children in Y1 and Y2 have workbooks (out on tables) that you can take into the Toucan Classroom to look through and there will also be toys out to entertain younger children. Teachers will be seated in the hall. We have allocated 10 minutes for each meeting, and we will try our best to run to time. If you feel that you need a longer time slot with your child's teacher, please arrange to meet with them another time, this will hopefully help us run to time.

[Appointments are still open and can be booked via this link until 6pm this evening.](#) During Parent's Evening we will be selling raffle tickets for £1:00 a strip to raise money for the school. Our top prize has been very kindly donated by Chesterfield Escape Room and is a voucher for 6 players to play any game of their choice on the 19th of May 2024. We will draw prize winners during school assembly on Thursday 14th March.



Attendance

Thank you supporting us with attendance. Last Term the class attendance race was won by Mrs Smith's Class -Toucan Too. Children voted and choose to have an extra playtime as their reward. We will be sharing your child's attendance with you at Parent's Evening next week where you will have an opportunity to discuss any questions or worries that you might have in relation to attendance.

Friends of Tibshelf

Friends of Tibshelf work across the Infant and Junior schools to make the school an even better environment for our children to learn. On Thursday 14th March the friends would like to invite parents/carers across the federation to an informal drop in at the Infant School Hall from 2:00pm.

Younger children are very welcome and there will be an opportunity for a coffee, cake and chat with other parents/carers. Please pop in and say hello and find out how you can get involved.

Online Safety

If you are concerned about your child's online safety or want to know more about potential risks online and what you can do to minimize those risks the following websites can offer support and advice:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

We are aware that there has been an increase of incidents online that have concerned adults at home, particularly through social media apps such as WhatsApp, Snapchat, TikTok and Discord.



To increase peace of mind regarding your children's safety online, 'Family Link' is recommended as an app that can support parents and carers with Android devices. It is a family parental controls service that allows parents to adjust parameters for their children's devices. The application allows parents to restrict content, approve or disapprove apps, set screen times, and more. If you have an Apple device but your child has an android device, you can still use 'Family Link' from your Apple device. [Click here to find out more about 'Family Link'](#)



For those that just have Apple devices you can set 'Family Sharing' on the device your child uses. Go to Settings > Family > [child's name] > Screen Time. Tap the child for whom you want to set up Screen Time. Tap Screen Time, then follow the onscreen instructions. Screen Time isn't just the length of time they are on the device. Within this setting is allows you to control sensitive content restrictions, purchases, communication, passcodes and much more. [Click here to find out more about Apple Family Sharing.](#)



Support in Derbyshire

Family Support Derbyshire can offer a range of emotional and practical support to parents in Derbyshire. They can help with mental health, domestic violence, bereavement, isolation, hunger, financial issues and Special Education Needs. Help offered could be in the form of face-to-face visits, group support, confidential support, sharing experiences, managing money and accessing local services.

You can find more information on their website:

<https://familysupportderbyshire.org.uk/get-support/>

Clubs

- Monday – Football Club
- Thursday – Gymnastics
- Friday - Dance

Clubs run from 3 – 4 pm. Children attending school can be booked into a club session via the gateway app.

Thank-you to everyone for your support this term. If you have any concerns or worries, please feel free to speak to myself, Mrs Boswell or Chris at the gate. You can also call the office on 01773 872571.

Mrs Alton, Head of School.