

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

# TIBSHELF SCHOOLS FEDERATION

## NEWSLETTER



I hope you have had a lovely Summer and a warm welcome to our new families that will join us either at Tibshelf Infant and Nursery School or Town End Junior School. Term starts on Thursday 5th September (please note new Nursery starters have been given individual starting dates) We will do our best to help the children settle in and we are looking forward to watching them grow and flourish through the year. Please do let us know if you have any concerns or questions and the staff will be happy to help. Here is some important information about the year ahead – apologies for the length but there is a lot to let you know!

### ABSENCES

If your child is away due to ill health, please do inform us via phone call or via the school app before school starts. Please also let us know daily if they continue to be absent. Where a child does not arrive at school, communication is made to parents after the close of registration and pupils are marked as unauthorised if we do not hear anything half an hour after school starts.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Back to school on Thursday 5th September 2024.

October half term 2024 - last day is on Friday 25th October and back to school on Monday 4th November.

Christmas 2024 - last day is on Friday 20th December and back to school on Tuesday 7th January 2024.

February half term - last day on Friday 14th Feb 2025 and back to school on Monday 24th February 2025.

Easter half term - last day on Friday 4th April 2025 and back to school on Tuesday 22nd April 2025.

May half term - last day is on Thursday 22nd May 2025 and back to school on Tuesday 3rd June.

Summer Holiday - last day 24th July 2025.

### P.E THIS WEEK

There will be no PE or outdoor learning at either school this week. Please can children come to school dressed in PE kit on their PE day.

# The School Day

Tibshelf Infant and Nursery School 8:30am to 3pm		Town End Junior School 8:45am to 3:15pm	
Start of the day	<p>Gates and doors are open from 8.20am ready for registration at 8.30am. Lessons start promptly straight after registration so please support us in ensuring your child is in class by <b>8.30am</b> so they do not miss valuable learning time.</p> <p><b>Ladybirds and Butterflies.</b> Please drop off children at classroom door. There will be a member of staff on the door to take any messages and make sure your child gets safely into school.</p> <p><b>Squirrels (Mrs Smith Y1), Hedgehogs (Mrs Watson Y2) and Owl (Mrs Austen Y2) classes.</b></p> <p>Please drop off children at the main doors on the playground. There will be a member of staff on the door to take any messages and make sure your child gets safely into school.</p>	Start of the day	<p>The side gates open from 8.35am ready for registration at <b>8.45am</b> Lessons start promptly straight after registration so please support us in ensuring your child is in class by 8.45am so they do not miss valuable learning time.</p> <p>Please drop off your child at the gates – staff will be on the gate to take any messages and make sure your child gets safely into school.</p>
End of the day	<p><b>The back gates and the front gates will open at 2.50pm</b> for parents.</p> <p>Reception children (<b>Butterflies</b>) to be collected from the classroom door.</p> <p>Year 1 parents (<b>Ladybirds and Squirrels</b>) to wait in the front car park please by the school entrance door.</p> <p>Year 2 children (<b>Hedgehogs and Owls</b>) will be released from main playground doors onto the playground.</p> <p>Teachers will line up your children in school and then release them when they see you to ensure they are safe.</p>	End of the day	<p>The side gates will be open for you to come onto the playgrounds approximately at 3.15pm after the school bus children have been released.</p> <p>Y5/6 children will be brought outside to the small playground by their teachers.</p> <p>Y3/4 children will be brought onto the main playground by their teachers.</p>
Nursery	<p>(Nursery children staying all day, please follow above start and finish times)</p> <p><b>Morning children:</b> This session will start at 8:30am. The gates will be open from 8:20am. At pick up, the front entrance gates will be open at 11.30am for you to then go to the Nursery entrance to collect your child.</p> <p><b>Afternoon children:</b> The gates will open just before 12pm for you to take your children to the Nursery entrance. This session will finish at 3pm.</p> <p><b>All day children:</b> Your class on the School Gateway app will show as (amDucklings). This is purely an administration reason. The gates will open at 8:20am for you to drop off and the session will finish at 3pm.</p>		

## Clubs

**After-school clubs start on Thursday, September 5th. They run for 1 hour straight after school finishes. You can book all clubs and wrap-around care on the School Gateway App.**

<b>Tibshelf Infant and Nursery School</b> 3pm to 4pm  If your child is at a sports club after school, please send them in school uniform with sports kit to change to after school if you would like them to. Please make sure they have suitable footwear.		<b>Town End Junior School</b> 3:15pm to 4:15pm  If your child is at a sports club before or after school, please send them in or with school uniform to change into for the school day.	
Monday	Football Club with Own	Monday	Multi Sports with Alex
Tuesday	Net sports with Alex	Tuesday	Girls football with Alex
Wednesday	Cooking Club with Sarah Smith	Wednesday	Cross Country with Mrs Hodson, Mr Smith and Cathy
Thursday	Gymnastics with Alex	Thursday	Boys Football club with Alex
Friday	Dance Club with Kelly		

## PE days and outdoor learning

<b>Tibshelf Infant and Nursery School</b>  Please bring wellies/suitable footwear and waterproofs for gardening/outdoor learning times.		<b>Town End Junior School</b>  Forest Schools. Please send child to school with wellies/boots/old trainers/old tracksuit bottoms etc – they may get wet and muddy!	
Ducklings (Nursery)	Welly Boot Wednesday  Friday (please send children in suitable clothing for mini sports session with Bradley from Kixx (not the first week back)	Mr Smith Y3/4	Monday (PE) Wednesday (PE and Forest Schools)
Butterflies (FS2)	Monday and Friday (Garden time) Thursday (PE)	Mrs Crabtree/Mrs Birch Y3/4	Wednesday (PE and Forest Schools) Friday (PE)
Squirrels and Ladybirds (Y1)	Tuesday (Garden time) Friday (PE)	Mrs Hoskyns/Miss Riley Y3/4	Monday (PE) Wednesday (PE and Forest Schools)
Hedgehogs and Owls (Y2)	Monday (PE) Thursday (Outdoor learning)	Mr Batchford Y5/6	Tuesday (PE and Forest Schools) Friday (PE)
		Mr Dovey/Mrs Taylor Y5/6	Tuesday (PE and Forest Schools) Thursday (PE)
		Mr Sharpe Y5/6	Monday (Swimming – this will not be until w/c 16th September and letters will be sent to parents when children return.)  Tuesday (PE and Forest Schools)

# PE Kit

**Tibshelf Infants:** School PE top (any colour), sport shorts/leggings/tracksuit bottoms. Earrings need to be either taken out or covered with tape for PE/sports activities please. Please support us in not sending children with football/rugby kits on PE days as these are expensive items which can be damaged.

**Town End Juniors:** For PE, your child will need to wear a Town End Junior PE top (or a t-shirt of the correct colour), sport shorts/leggings/tracksuit bottoms. Parents should have been told which house colour their child is in. Please support us in not sending children with football/rugby kits on PE days as these are expensive items which can be damaged. Earrings need to be either taken out or covered with tape for PE/sports activities please.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS/INFORMATION

- Please name all your child's possessions to ensure that they can be identified and returned to their owners if they are misplaced.
- Nursery and Infant children will still be provided with fresh fruit each day. Please send your child with a water bottle.
- Junior children at Town End can bring snacks for break, but please can you support us in ensuring that these are healthy too such as fruit, dried fruit, vegetables or a plain cereal bar. At Town End there is also a tuck shop run by the pupils at break time and it is 20p per item. Please also send your child with a water bottle. The children can fill these up during the day using our water filter. Water can also be purchased from the tuck shop for 50p per bottle.
- Year 6 pupils at Town End – parents must apply for a Secondary School place by midnight on 31st October. You can apply online from the end of September at <https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/primary-admissions/primary-infant-and-junior-school-admissions.aspx> or call 01629 533190
- If you have changed your mobile number/had a new phone over the Summer, please do let us know so that we have the correct details for you if we have to call you in an emergency. Please provide us with at least two numbers so that we can contact someone if we are unable to get hold of you.

# Dates for your diary

(in red are where Parents/Carers are invited)

Tibshelf Infant and Nursery School		Town End Junior School	
Tuesday 17th Sept	Valley Cids assembly	W/c 16th Sept	Arts week Y5/6 Mr Sharpe's class begin swimming
Wednesday 2nd Oct	Go Pink day for Ashgate Hospice- more information to follow	Wednesday 2nd Oct	Go Pink day for Ashgate Hospice- more information to follow
Thursday 10th October	<b>Harvest Festival 1.30pm at Tibshelf church</b>	Tuesday 8th October	<b>Harvest Festival 1.30pm at Tibshelf church</b>
		Friday 18th October	Flu vaccinations
W/c 21st October	Book Fayre	W/c 21st October	Book Fayre
<b>Tuesday 22nd October</b>	<b>Parent dinner (Owls class) More details to follow closer to the time</b>	<b>Wednesday 23rd October</b>	<b>Parent dinner (Y3/4 Mrs Birch/Mrs Crabtree) More details to follow closer to the time</b>
Monday 21st and Wednesday 23rd October	<b>Parents Evenings</b>	Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th October	<b>Parents Evenings</b>
Thursday 24th October	Fire Safety Talks (Y2 only)	Thursday 24th October	Fire Safety Talks (Y6 only)
Friday 25th October	<b>Break up for half term. No after care or club.</b>	Friday 25th October	<b>Break up for half term. No after care.</b>
Tuesday 19th November	<b>Hedgehogs parent dinner</b>	Wednesday 20th November	<b>Y3/4 Mrs Hoskyns/Miss Riley's parent dinner</b>
<b>Monday 9th December - Federation Christmas Fayre (afternoon) (date tbc)</b>			
Monday 9th December	<b>Christmas event at Church (time tbc)</b>	Monday 9th December	<b>Christmas event at Church (time tbc)</b>
Tuesday 21st January	<b>Squirrels parent dinner</b>	Wednesday 22nd January	<b>Y3/4 Mr Smith's parent dinner</b>
Tuesday 19th March	<b>Ladybirds parent dinner</b>	Wednesday 20th March	<b>Y5/6 Mr Sharpe's parent dinner</b>
Tuesday 9th June	<b>Butterflies parent dinner</b>	Wednesday 20th May	<b>Y5/6 Mr Dovey and Mrs Taylor's parent dinner</b>
		Wednesday 10th June	<b>Y5/6 Mr Batchford's parent dinner</b>
Monday 14th July	<b>Sports Day (afternoon)</b>	Monday 14th July	<b>Sports Day (morning)</b>
<b>Monday 14th July - Tibshelf Federation Summer Fayre (afternoon)</b>			

## DERBY & DERBYSHIRE EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

This site provides a wealth of information for both professionals and families.  
Please find the link below to the community updates.

Derby & Derbyshire – Emotional Health & Wellbeing

<https://derbyandderbyshireemotionalhealthandwellbeing.uk/>



### INSETS

Wednesday 4th September 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Friday 23rd May 2025

Monday 2nd June 2025

Friday 27th June 2025

I will be sending out a monthly Federation newsletter and you will also receive a monthly newsletter from each Head of School (Mrs Alton or Mr Weston).

We look forward to seeing you all on Thursday 😊

*Mrs Rachel Boswell (Executive Headteacher)*