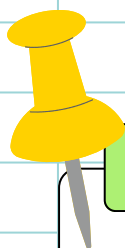




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WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone to the first newsletter of the 2026-2027 academic year!

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer with your families. Also a special warm welcome to our new school families joining us this year.

The team and I are looking forward to welcoming you all through the gates on Monday 7th September at 8.20am with big smiles ready for the year ahead.

Many thanks for all the lovely wishes for my wedding! I'm sure it will seem a million years ago by the end of the first day!

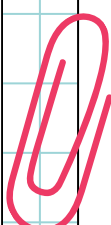
We care deeply about ensuring children and families feel part of our school community. Please do come and speak with me if there is anything we can support with.

With very warm wishes for the journey ahead

Mrs Donna Byrne
(Head of School)

THIS WEEK

- 🕒 School opens at 8.20am on Monday 7th September 26.
- 🐛🐿️ Y1 and Y2 children will enter through the main playground doors.
- 🐿️ Y2 will leave through the same doors.
- 🐿️🐛 Y1 will leave through the front main entrance.
- 🐛🐞 Reception children will enter and leave through their own classroom doors.
- 🐣 Nursery have their own arrangements depending on sessions.



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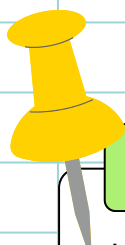
- 🍳 Breakfast club runs from 7.30am for £4 per session.
- 🎨 After care runs two sessions 3-4pm and 4-5pm at £4 per session.
- 💻 Sessions can be booked in advance on School Comms.





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LEARNING OVERVIEWS

This year we have worked hard to build our curriculum around the new year groups and being more active. Next week, you will receive a child friendly overview of what each year group will be learning. These will also be available on our school website. Please feel free to share these with children. We'd really appreciate some feedback too.

CLASS NEWSLETTERS

Class newsletters will be sent out via email on **Friday 11th September**. They will include important information about PE and book change days. Keep an eye out for an Autumn term Knowledge Organiser explaining what your child will be learning between now and Christmas! This is a great way to keep up to speed with what's going on in school to talk to your child about!

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

We will be offering a range of lunchtime clubs during the Autumn term such as Multisports Clubs, Doodle Club, Garden club, Film and Lego club. These clubs will be open to a range of year groups. Look out for the timetable display in the main entrance for children to see what is available each day!

PE DAYS

- Please note there will be no PE during the first week back.
- PE days will start w/c 14th September.
- 🦔 Hedgehogs (Y2) will be on Mondays.
- 🐝🐞 Ladybirds and Reception Bees will be on Tuesdays.
- 🐿🐝 Squirrels and Y1 Bees will be on Wednesdays.

PE KITS

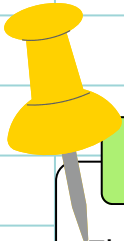
Please can children **only wear school uniform PE kits** on PE days. If you need any help with this, please do let us know. We are happy to help! We know during the Summer term we had lots of warm weather and everyone's kits start getting too small but it's important we start the year afresh with these high standards.





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BOOK BAGS

There will be a slight change to how children are reading at home. We have listened to parent feedback about the quick turn around for reading 3 times at home. Therefore children will bring their books home on a Friday and be able to keep them for the whole week. We do ask that children bring a book bag everyday with their book in so that we can offer extra reading opportunities in school with a range of adults from teachers to volunteers to lunchtime staff.



VOLUNTEERS

We are always on the hunt for any volunteers who have a special hobby or skill you feel would give our children an extra experience. If you could offer some of your time to volunteer a skill or listen to children read we would appreciate it. Please pop and speak to us if you feel this is something you could offer. Thank you 😊

PTFA

Many of the extra's we offer at Tibshelf such as disco and funding towards the whole school panto come from the dedication and hardwork our of PTFA. As they say, many hands make light work, so if you feel you could give up even the smallest amount of time, please do speak to Jess our PTFA lead. The PTFA and school would be very grateful!

WATER BOTTLES

Keeping children hydrated throughout the day is vital to ensure their brains can process all the learning and routines that happen during the day. Please could we ask that all children bring a **named water bottle** each day; preferably with water rather than juice.

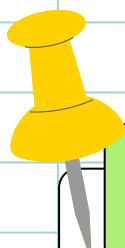
NAMING ITEMS

We know that in September, every child has named clothing, coats and lunchboxes. However these do need regularly checking for fading or peeling. We have much more chance of getting items back to you if these are named. Thank you 🙏



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GRANDPARENTS AFTERNOON

We are delighted to invite Grandparents into school to celebrate Grandparents Day in September. Grandparents are invited into school on one afternoon between 2-3pm to spend some quality time in the hall playing some board games. Invites via forms will be sent out to help us confirm how many adults are joining us.

COLOUR RUN

On **Thursday 1st October** we will be hosting our exciting Colour Run activity.

Please can children bring some sunglasses and a white t-shirt in a named carrier bag into school on **Monday 28th September**. This is an exciting event that the children (and adults!) absolutely love. The cost will be £2 - please make payment via SchoolComms.



WONDER SPACE DOME

To celebrate World Space Week, we will welcome the Wonder Space Dome in school on **Tuesday 6th October**. This exciting opportunity will mean Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children will have the experience of a 3D virtual Space show in the 7ft tall dome learning all about planets to compliment their learning in classrooms.



MUSIC PARTNERSHIP

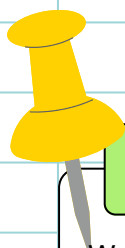
To support our Reception making a swift start to reading, they will be joining a 10week musical partnership programme every Thursday. These workshops help children to tune into sounds and rhythms that underpin early reading. We are excited to welcome Ju and her team with a wide variety of musical instruments into school.





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Y2 ACTIVITY DAY

We are thrilled to have arranged for our Y2 Hedgehogs have the opportunity to take part in an Activity Day at Lea Green Activity Centre on **Thursday 24th September**. This will be a extended day of team building activities with children not arriving back at school until 5pm. More information will be sent directly to Y2 parents.



PARENT DINNERS

We love being able to invite parents to our class dinners throughout the year. This year they will continue to take place at 12pm with invites being sent out prior to your child's date.

However we have an increasing number of children with severe allergies and for this reason, we cannot allow extra sweet treats to be brought in for children to have alongside their school dinner. Please save it as a nice treat for the end of the day! (Or feel free to donate it to staff! 😊)



DIWALI DANCE WORKSHOPS

On **Tuesday 10th November**, we will welcome Abi from Performers Studio, who will lead a Diwali style Dance workshop with each class to compliment their learning in class.



OPEN EVENING

Even though we've only just returned to school for this academic year it's already time to be thinking about those **September 27** school applications. With that in mind, Tibshelf Infants and Nursery will be holding our Open Evening on **Wednesday 7th October 5-6pm**. This is an opportunity for prospective parents to come and view our school. If you know anyone who has a child due to start school next September, please do tell them all the wonderful things we do as part of our school family! 🙏

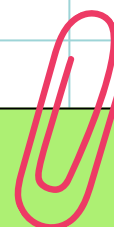


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Dates	Event (Parents invited in red)
Friday 4 th September 26	Inset Day 1
Monday 7 th September 26	Welcome Back to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (Nursery begin staggered start)
Tuesday 15 th Sept 26	2-3pm, Y2 Grandparents afternoon
Wednesday 16 th Sept 26	2-3pm, Y1 Grandparents afternoon
Thursday 17 th Sept 26	2-3pm, Reception Grandparents afternoon
Thursday 24 th Sept 26	Y2 activity Day at Lea Green - see separate info
Tuesday 29 th Sept 26	Early Reading Parent workshop 8.45am & 5pm - see forms invite to follow





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Thursday 1 st Oct 26	1.30pm Colour Run
Tuesday 6 th Oct 26	Wonderdome Space Dome in school - N, R and Y1
Wednesday 7 th Oct 26	5-6pm Open Evening
Wednesday 14 th Oct 26	12pm - Y2 Parent Dinner
Wednesday 14 th Oct 26	1.30pm Y1/Y2 Harvest Festival at church
Monday 19 th Oct 26	Parents evening
Wednesday 21 st Oct 26	Parents evening
Thursday 22 nd Oct 26	Nursery Stay & Play, Harvest theme
Friday 23 rd Oct 26	Break up for Oct half term



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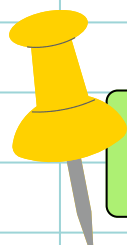
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Monday 2 nd Nov 26	Welcome Back
Tuesday 3 rd Nov 26	Y1 Phonics meeting - 5pm
Tuesday 10 th Nov 26	Diwali Dance workshop day
Wednesday 11 th Nov 26	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 11 th Nov 26	12pm - Y1 Parent Dinner
Monday 30 th Nov 26	Christmas craft afternoon
Monday 30 th Nov 26	3 - 5pm Christmas Movie Night
Monday 7 th Dec 26	Christmas Fayre - 1.30pm Townend Juniors
Wednesday 9 th Dec 26	Whole school Panto trip
Thursday 10 th Dec 26	Christmas Jumper Day/Dinner Day
Friday 11 th Dec 26	Nursery Christmas Performance 10am & 1pm

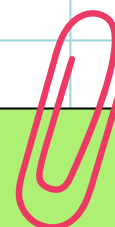


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Tuesday 15 th Dec 26	KS1 Nativity 9.30am & 1.30pm
Wednesday 16 th Dec 26	Reception Nativity 9.30am & 1.30pm
Friday 18 th Dec 26	Break up for Christmas 🎄🧑🏻
Spring 1 2027	
Monday 4 th Jan 27	Welcome back!
Wednesday 27 th Jan 27	12pm - Reception Ladybird's Parent dinner
Thursday 11 th Feb 27	Break up for Half term
Friday 12 th Feb 27	INSET Day 2
Monday 22 nd Feb 27	Welcome back!



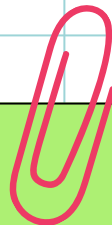


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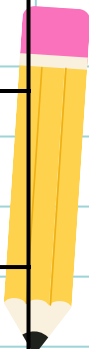
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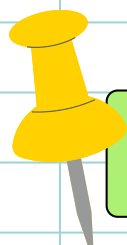
Dates	Event (Parents invited in red)
Monday 1 st March 27	Parents evening
Tuesday 2 nd March 27	8.45am Y2 Book & Brekkie morning
Wednesday 3 rd March 27	8.45am Y1 Book & Brekkie morning
Wednesday 3 rd March 27	Parents evening
Thursday 4 th March 27	World Book Day
Thursday 4 th March 27	8.45am Reception Book & Brekkie morning
Friday 5 th March 27	1 - 3pm Mothers Day afternoon tea
Wed 24 th March 27	12pm Reception Bees Parent dinner
Thursday 25 th March 27	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 25 th March 27	Break up for Easter



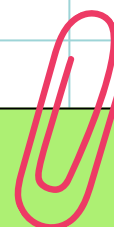


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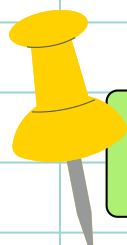
Dates	Event (Parents invited in red)
Summer Term 27	
Monday 12 th April 27	Welcome Back
Wednesday 26 th May 27	12pm Dragonflies Parent dinner
Thursday 27 th May 27	Break up day
Friday 28 th May 27	INSET Day 3
Monday 7 th June 27	INSET Day 4
Tuesday 8 th June 27	Welcome Back
w.c 14 th June 27	Y1 Phonics screening check
Tuesday 15 th June 27	2pm Y2 Fathers Day activity
Wednesday 16 th June 27	2pm Y1 Fathers Day activity



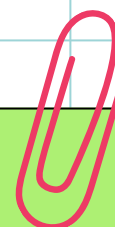


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Thursday 17 th June 27	2pm -Reception Fathers Day activity
	Transition Days
Monday 12 th July 27	Sports Day and Summer Fayre -pm
Friday 16 th July 27	Nursery Graduation 1.30pm
Thursday 22 nd July 27	1.30pm Y2 leavers assembly
Friday 23 rd July 27	Break up for summer! 🌂
Monday 26 th July 27	INSET Day 5

