

Town End Times



October 2018

#### Newsletters are monthly. Please see the App for weekly celebrations and news.

# Thank you for your support

5 Pits Schools event - School Council/Parliament Day supporting Positive Mental Health. £103 was donated to Young Minds Charity

Science Technology and Maths (STEM) event at Tibshelf Community School for Y6 girls. A highly inspirational day run by The Royal Air Force.

Highly successful and informative parent/carer evenings Sports raffle £70 Scholastic book fair £523.23

Harvest assemblies reminding us to be thankful for what we have,  $\pm 51$  was donated to Rev Hesketh for the Churches Harvest Appeal

School council - Cup Cake sales £110.38 Monies raised form the school disco will be used to support the purchase of our Active Target Board.

#### Coming up next half term

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November - School reopens Breakfast club open from 7.45am

Swimming continues for Mr Sharpe's class

Grandparents lunch – Y3/Y4 pupils can invite their grandparents to join them in school for Sunday lunch on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Music Makers concert to celebrate all our musicians on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, at 6pm showcasing Mrs Wheatcroft's string players.

## SCHOOL JOTTER APP



Thank you for downloading the APP URGENT - TEXT MESSAGES

The padlock in the top right hand corner of the dashboard must be unlocked (as in the image) in order for you to receive text messages about your child.

If you have not yet unlocked it - please log in using the information in the letter sent to you by Mrs Ward in September, which is also available on the website. Please ring if you need any assistance.



## After School Care

Feedback from our market research has informed us that an after school care provision would be a good service if we could provide it.

We are planning to start an after school provision on Monday January 7<sup>th</sup> 2019.

Information and contracts will be distributed shortly.

Please support this provision for the sake of all families. If we find that the service is not economical, we reserve the right to cancel. The breakfast club, established 2 years ago, is well supported and is a sustainable business. Based on the feedback we have received we see no reason why this could not also be the case for after school care.

#### School Attendance

September - October 2018

Town End School Attendance is currently 97%

Thank you to Mrs Hodson, our attendance lead and thank you for your support for good school attendance, punctuality and pupil progress.

Mrs Callahan's class 98% Mr Sharpe's class 96% Mrs Taylor/Mrs Crabtree's class 97%

Mr Batchford 98% Miss Riley 98% Mrs Wheatcroft 96%

> We discuss all absence requests with Tibshelf Community School, and other 5 Pits Partnership Schools. Please see our Attendance information <u>Attendance Policy July 2017</u>

> > Any questions please contact Mrs Hodson or Mrs White

# Parent Pay NEW Savings plan

Mrs Ward has been working with Parent Pay and has now established a service which may be of help to you.

You are able to add funds, whenever you like into your basket - this could be a few £ a week or £10 a month, whatever suits your lifestyle, this can then be used as savings plan. You can then move funds from your basket of Parent Pay to an allocated expense as it becomes active on Parent Pay.

The idea of this savings plan is that it spreads costs across the year to make children's enrichment activities become more affordable.

Coming up

Derby Pantomime - December 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 Lea Green Residential - 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (payment plan to start in Nov)



## SPORTS ROUND UP

# October 2018

- Stand up Derbyshire Day
- Y5/6 Cluster Football
- Bikeability
- Road safety
- Rugby Megafest
- Y5/6 Bolsover Football
- Active School Award Paige and Callum



## Care and Safety

If you have any concerns or worries about your child's education or care and safety in school please speak to your child's class teacher initially, or please find me around school.

If I'm unavailable at a particular point in time, please direct any concerns about pupils to Mrs Wheatcroft (Deputy Headteacher) or Mr Batchford or Mrs Crabtree (Designated Safeguarding Leads)

School Gates and school doors are open from 8.40 am. Pupils are in school at this time and an after school appointment may be more appropriate if a conversation is needed with the class teacher.

Teaching time begins at 9 am; children should be in classes by 8.50 am - please arrange for an appointment to speak to the class teacher through Mrs Ward or Mrs Haresign in the office. Messages will be passed on - Staff will always call you back as soon as they are able to do so.

Any concerns / queries, however small, are always better discussed so issues don't escalate.

Thanks for your continuing support as we move our school forward and aim to make your child's time an enjoyable and skillful learning experience.

We always appreciate feedback, please feel free to complete our website feedback form or speak to us directly.

October: Bikeability training Y5/Y6 and Road Safety workshops for all pupils. Y6 transition visits from Tibshelf Community School Parent/carer open evenings

