Town End Times



January 2019

Thank you

We wish to say a huge thank you to Mrs Fritchley for all her hard work over many years teaching hundreds of children at Town End Junior School. Mrs Fritchley has been on secondment last term working and living in France and made the decision to continue this contract and continue to improve her own French skills living and working in another country.

She will be sadly missed by staff and pupils. Mrs Garcia, a native Spanish speaker, has been covering in her absence. The children are really enjoying their active Spanish lessons Coming up

Friday 1st February - INSET DAY

Tuesday 5th February - Safer Internet Day

Thursday 7th February - Y3/Y4 Egyptian Day

Thursday 14 $^{\rm th}$ February – FSA pupil event (more details to follow on the APP)

The new date for the SATS meeting is to be confirmed.

'Ye Ha !' School Musical Performance - Y5 and Y6 pupils Y3/Y4 performance - March 12th 2019 - Save the date.

Thanks for Y5/6 parent support at last week's Ye Ha production. The staff and pupil efforts in creating such a humorous and entertaining evening need applauding. Thank for your donations towards future productions and visiting drama productions to school.

Year 3/4 pupils have the opportunity to explore drama and musical theatre skills for you and their older peers in schools by performing 'ZOOM' starting at 6pm at Tibshelf Community School on Tuesday 12th March. <u>SAVE THE DATE.</u>



After School Provision and child care vouchers

January 2019 saw the launch of our After School Care facility at Town End Junior School.

This is now successfully up and running from 3.15-5.45pm.

The setting up of the provision has been supported by Community sponsorship from the Coop Community Fund and from the Parish Council. Thank you to members of both community groups.

The costs are £4 an hour 3.15-4.15, £8 for 3.15-5.15pm or £9 for the complete session. We will look towards funding a reduced sibling rate from Easter (if possible).

If your circumstances change during the school day and you need a place for your child after 3.15pm please contact the school office to book.

Booking forms are on the website <u>http://www.townend.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/letters/letters34#</u>

School Attendance

September - November 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 have 97% Mr Sharpe's class have 96% Mrs Taylor/Mrs Crabtree's class have 97%

Mr Batchford's class have 96% Miss Riley's class have 97% Mrs Wheatcroft's class have 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



Lots of messages, letters and office time is being used currently to chase payments.

Please see our dinner money policy on the website and contracts for clubs and services. <u>http://www.townend.derbyshire.sch.uk/parent</u> <u>s/policies</u>

Just a reminder please that all payments should be made in advance for

- Dinners ordered
- Breakfast Club and after School Care
- After School Sports Clubs
- Trips



SPORTS ROUND UP

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- Well done to Mr Sharpe's class for progress in swimming this term. 70% achieved the Aquatic Award 4 and 100% achieved the Water Safety Award.
- Inter class lunchtime basketball competitions
- Personal Challenges and the Daily Mile
- Boccia winning spirit of the games school award.
- Sports hall athletics pupil spotting for gifted and talented pupils to join athletics clubs.
- Basketball Thanks family helpers with transport.

Coming up

- Dance Festival and Cross Country
 - 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.







