



Thursday 24th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are on the lookout for **Bow saws** and **Japanese saws** to add to our woodworking toolkits for the children. Before we make any purchases it has been suggested that we ask our local community as these items might just be lying around unused in garages/sheds – especially those of grandparents! If you have any of these items, or indeed any other unused tools that you would like to donate to school, we would be very grateful.

WORKERS OF THE WEEK: ‘Worker of the Week’ is a new initiative replacing Star of the Week. We want to celebrate children who work hard and try their best. Unfortunately we will not be able to have parents in assembly but that will not mean your child’s achievements will not be celebrated. When your child is chosen as ‘Worker of the Week’ they will come home with a certificate from Friday’s assembly. Our ‘workers of the week’ this week are:

Parrots – Callie Waplinton

Penguins – Ethan Brown

Toucans – Matilda Bowler & Isaac Pell

Puffins – Karter Jowett

Flamingos – Olivia McGregor

My Head teacher awards this week go to:

Edward Draper (Year 2) for having a positive attitude towards his learning and for working hard in school to do his best all of the time.

Ruby Goodwin (Year 1) for having a super week and being positive and happy in school, even in P.E.

Daisy Gilbody (FS2) for always being an enthusiastic learner and a busy little girl in school. I have also been very impressed with how hard you are working with your sounds at home.

OPEN EVENING: This year we are unable to invite you into school to meet your child’s class teacher. During week beginning Monday 12th October your child’s class teacher will ring you on a withheld number. Your child’s teacher will send a text message in the morning to let you know she will be calling you later. This will be a good chance for you to talk about how your child has settled into school and what you could do to support their learning. If you are not able to take the call that day please let us know a more convenient time. Children in Year 1 and Year 2 will also have a short written report to give you this information.



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PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING THAT YOUR CHILD MAY TAKE OFF IN SCHOOL

(including sweatshirts etc. on P.E. days) IS CLEARLY NAMED. Please also check clothes your child brings home do not have someone else's name in.

CLASS MONEY POTS: The friends have decorated money pots for each class to collect loose change in. If you have coins you would like to donate please send them in with your child and we will have a competition to see which class can collect the most money between now and the October holiday week. Please send any coins into school/nursery in a money bag or envelope with your child and they will be able to post them into the pot. The Penguin pot is currently the only money pot with change in it!



LUNCHTIMES: Not having a hot meal in school available for your child is not ideal from many points of view, and not something I have really wanted to have to do. Your child's safety is of utmost importance and bringing sandwiches or having a 'packed lunch' option has been put in place so that each year group eats in the same space as they are learning, with the same staff who have been teaching & supervising them each day.

SCARECROWS: We are going to join in with the community Scarecrow hunt that has been set up this year instead of the usual Trick 'n' Treat outings. Each year group will make a scarecrow and these will be displayed on the railings on Friday 24th October as part of the Tibshelf scarecrow trail. We are going to try to add a recycled theme to these to add to our ECO Green Flag award evidence. After the holiday week we will take our scarecrows down to our allotment. If you are taking part in this and would like your child to bring their scarecrow into school during week beginning 3rd November please stand it in the playground garden in one of the beds there and we'll have our own little competition at the end of that week. The scarecrows will then recamp to our allotment!

SPRING BULBS: The Year 1 children are hoping to plant bulbs in the garden area in the playground. If anyone would like to donate any bulbs we would be very grateful as we are hoping for a lovely Spring display here next year.

DUCKLINGS: Please make sure your child come to nursery every Wednesday in their puddlesuit and wellies ready for Welly Boot Wednesday. Even if the weather is fine your child has opportunities to play with water.



HOME/SCHOOL AGREEMENTS: Please make sure the Home/School agreement your child brought home is read and signed, and returned to school as soon as possible. If you need another copy of this you can pick one up from the portacabin.

UP TO DATE PHOTOGRAPHS OF YOUR CHILDREN LEARNING & PLAYING IN SCHOOL ARE NOW ON THE WEBSITE. PLEASE HAVE A LOOK IN THE CLASS FOLDERS. THESE WILL CONTINUE TO BE ADDED TO OVER THE YEAR.

If your child is absent for school because you are waiting for test results or because you have been advised to isolate the work teachers have planned for that week will be emailed to you on the first day of absence, or for ongoing absence, on the Monday of that week. You can also access additional resources by logging onto The Oak Academy

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage> and using the resources there for the year group your child is in, or by requesting paper copies of the planning and other age appropriate resources we have printed out. You also have your child's log in details Education City and Purple Mash, there are lots of great games on these platforms. If your child is unable to attend school for any other reason but they are well enough to continue learning at home, please let us know and these learning resources can be made available to you. You can request a call from your child's class teacher on a daily basis to support you with any home learning.

I have been advised that if you need to book a test you should phone 119. This will mean that you speak to someone and they will be able to arrange this more locally. If you go onto the website and indicate that you are able to drive you may be advised to attend a centre further away.

THE NHS COVID-19 APP CAN NOW BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE APP STORE & GOOGLE PLAY

P.E. days: Please make sure your child comes in suitable P.E. kit with hair tied back and no earrings when it is their P.E. day or on a day they are doing a club.

Monday & Friday – Year 2, Puffins & Flamingos

Tuesday & Wednesday – Year 1, Toucans

Thursday – Foundation stage 2, Parrots & Penguins

WATER BOTTLES: Please make sure your child comes to school/nursery every day with a bottle of fresh water. **YOUR CHILD'S BOTTLE MUST ONLY HAVE WATER IN IT and IT SHOULD HAVE A SPORTS LID TO AVOID SPILLAGES.** Please make sure your child gets into the habit of bringing their water bottle home after school so it can be refilled with fresh water. Water bottles should be clearly named so your child can easily identify their bottle.

CLOTHING: Please make sure any clothing your child wears to school is clearly named. This is especially important for school sweatshirts, cardigans and coats. If your child comes to you at the end of the session without their cardigan or sweatshirt please send them back to collect it so that we don't have clothes left at the end of sessions – having items named makes this so much easier! Clothes that are left at the end of the session will be put in a box because your child's peg also belongs to another child who attends the alternate session to the one that they do so items



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can't be left hung on it. **Please make sure your child always has appropriate clothing, for example a waterproof and weatherproof coat, suitable footwear, a hat, gloves etc. If hot weather is forecast you should apply sun cream to your child before they come to school. NO SCARVES PLEASE.**

JEWELLERY: CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO WEAR ANY JEWELLERY TO SCHOOL or NURSERY. THIS INCLUDES PLAY JEWELLERY, BRACELETS, WATCHES & EAR-RINGS (other than plain studs).

BREAKFAST CLUB & AFTER SCHOOL CARE: If you need to book your child into either or both of these and you haven't already done so please let us know as soon as possible. The cost for Breakfast Club, 7.30-8.45am is £4 and the cost for after school care, 3-5pm is £4 per hour or part of an hour. Children not collected by 3.05pm will be put into after care and you will be expected to pay for this as numbers may mean we have to ask an additional member of staff to stay after school to help out.

CLUBS: ALL SPORTS CLUBS START STRAIGHT AFTER SCHOOL & FINISH AT 4pm.

Monday – Gymnastics

Tuesday – Dance

Wednesday – KARATE

Thursday – Multi-Sports

Friday – Ball skills

Please find a list of dates below. These will be updated as necessary weekly so please do keep checking them for changes/additions.

Day, date & time	Class/Year Group	Event
Week beginning Monday 12 th October	Parents/carers of all children in school	Telephone call settling in and progress meetings
Wednesday 21 st October	Year 2 Puffins & Flamingos	Year 2 Tudor Day – your child should come to school in Tudor dress (more information to follow)
Thursday 22 nd October	Individual school & nursery photographs. This year we will only be able to take family group photographs if children are in school/nursery.	
Friday 23 rd October	Break up for October holiday week	
Monday 2 nd November	INSET Staff training – Cluster training NO SCHOOL & NURSERY	
Tuesday 3 rd November	Back to School & Nursery for Autumn Term 2	
Monday 7 th December	INSET Staff training – SEND Twilights NO SCHOOL & NURSERY	
Thursday 17 th December	End of term for children in Nursery – usual collection times	



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Friday 18th December	Break up for Christmas holidays – collection from 1pm No After School Clubs or Care
Monday 4th January 2021	INSET Staff Training – Online Safety & Special Educational Needs - NO SCHOOL & NURSERY
Tuesday 5th January 2021	Back to School & Nursery for Spring Term 1
Friday 12th February 2021	Break up for February holiday week
Monday 22nd February 2021	Back to School & Nursery for Spring Term 2
Wednesday 31st March	End of term for children in Nursery – usual collection times
Thursday 1st April 2021	Break up for Easter holidays – collection from 1pm No After School Clubs or Care
Monday 19th April 2021	Back to School & Nursery for Summer Term 1
Monday 3rd May 2021	May Bank Holiday
Friday 28th May 2021	Break up for May holiday week
Monday 7th June 2021	Back to School & Nursery for Summer Term 2
Friday 2nd July 2021	INSET Staff Training NO SCHOOL & NURSERY
Wednesday 21st July 2021	End of term for children in Nursery – usual collection times
Thursday 22nd July 2021	Break up for Summer holidays – collection from 1pm No After School Clubs or Care

Your child's safety, well-being and happiness will always be a top priority for us throughout the year. If there is something worrying your child, please let us know – little things can quickly escalate if they are not dealt with. If you are not able to speak to your child's class teacher at the beginning of the day please feel that you can pop up to the office to see me, or catch me around school if you have any concerns or worries about anything you feel may affect your child's education. It is very important we are kept informed so that we can ensure your child receives the best care and education. Please also remember to let us know if your immediate contact details change, especially mobile phone numbers.

If you ever need to make contact with school after we have closed please be aware that you can send a text via Teachers2Parents, (07786208446) or by email, headteacher@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk I will usually pick up messages from both or one of these sources until about 10pm, and of course, if you need me to, I will contact you. Sometimes there may be something worrying or upsetting your child and you might not be able to get to the bottom of it – please do not feel you have to worry all night!

You can log onto our website at www.tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk or contact us via email info@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk or headteacher@tibshelf-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk, or phone



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01773 872571. If we are not in the office when you phone you will hear a lovely answer phone message from one of our Year 2 pupils – just leave your message and we'll get back to you. Weekly newsletters can also be found on our website.

The advertisement below is nothing to do with school and we take no responsibility for or have no involvement with the company.

Have a good week,

Zoë

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