



# Tower View Newsletter

1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

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## Dear Parents/carers

Today was a special celebration assembly in school.

Today we celebrated 30 years of Ms Dunne working at Tower View. Many of you as our parents will have experienced Ms Dunne as a Teaching Assistant, Midday Supervisor or attended the Play Scheme she has run for over 20 years - and your children still have the opportunity to work with her and get to know her as she goes through school. We are all grateful for the work she does at school and years of service she has given to the children at Tower View. Congratulations Ms Dunne!! (She won't let me take a photo - but here's a selection of cards from the classes and the flowers from the staff!)



I look forward to seeing many of you over the next few weeks in the run up to Christmas at the events we have planned.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Best wishes**

Graham Lobb

**Head Teacher**

### Dates for the diary

Below are some key dates for the whole year, we will endeavour to keep to these dates as much as we can

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** - Reception Xmas experience 9:00am

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** - Tower View Xmas Choir concert at St Mark's Church - 7:30pm

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** - PTFA Christmas event

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - Y1/2 Nativity - AM

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** - Y1/2 Nativity - PM

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Reception Carols - PM

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas party day

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - Reception & Year 6 height and weight

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas dinner day

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December** - Christmas Service at St Marks

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December** - Last day of term

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** - INSET day

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January** - Back to school

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 2KE

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 5OD

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February** - Class Assembly 9:10am 3IR

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** - Class Assembly 9:10am 6CG

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 1JD

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents Evening

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March** - Parents Evening

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 2RH

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 4RW

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 1PM

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May** - Class Assembly 9:10am - 3CW

**W/C 13<sup>th</sup> May** - Y6 SATs

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June** - Class Assembly 9:10am - Reception

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June** - Sports Day

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** - PTA Summer Fayre

### Food Bank

We understand it is close to Christmas but if anyone has any non-perishable food they would like to donate to a local food bank to help the local community, please bring to the school office.

Many Thanks

## Household Support Fund

The support scheme for families who are struggling due to the current cost of living crisis has re-opened for the second half of the financial year. We know that the cost of living is affecting many families and households including those not entitled to benefits. This government scheme supports families that may need some extra help during these times.

School is able to nominate families and would like to be able to do this for you if you feel that this would help your family.

This would mean you would be able to receive supermarket e-vouchers for £65 plus an extra £20 per child.

Please do not worry about asking for help. The money has been allocated to this scheme and it is important that we use it and make sure we are helping our families.

If you have not had a letter regarding this - but would value some support, please contact [help@towerview.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:help@towerview.staffs.sch.uk) for more details.

We are still able to access a number of slow cookers for families to help them make low cost and healthy meals at home.

If you would be interested in a slow cooker (and have not had one through this scheme before) - again - let me know via the e mail address above.

## PTFA Christmas Event

Dear Parents/ Carers;

Please Support us by selling tickets for the raffle which will be drawn on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December after school. Tickets cost £1.00 each, we have sent 2 books of tickets home- don't feel pressured to buy all of them, we know that money is tight. Completed stubs need to be returned with the money in the sealed envelope provided by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December for a chance to win a range of fab prizes. Please return any unsold tickets to the office as soon as possible so they can be given to other pupils to sell. Money goes towards school resources to help all our children.

Thank-you and good luck! From the PTFA

# Family Christmas!



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Burton  
Concert Band

Tower View  
Christmas Choir

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 7:30pm

St Mark's Church, Winshill, DE15 0HS

Tickets £6 or 2 for £10

Available to reserve and on the door!

Children under 12 free with paying adult

Direct ticket reservations to:

Jackie.foulkes2@gmail.com - 07917767452



# TOWER VIEW PTFA

Join us for Our first

## JINGLE BELL JOLLIE

Friday 8th December 2023  
KS2 Hall  
3.30pm

Help us to draw our Christmas Raffle  
Prizes include Hampers, A Garden King voucher, His n Hers Barber voucher plus many more !!!

Refreshments Available Including  
Hot Chocolate, Mince pies & Cookies

Carols from  
Tower View Christmas Choir, also a special guest  
appearance!

\*Seating will be available





This is the latest edition of the Aiming High Activity Brochure. Here you will find every - activity taking place across Staffordshire in January 2024.

If you see just one child beside an activity (as below), it is for the individual.



If you see all four of our children (as below) beside an activity, it is for the whole family to enjoy together.



Click on each district in the box (below left) to jump to the corresponding page.

You can also click on "January Calendar" to see every activity at a glance on one page.

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-  [Stafford \(1\)](#)
-  [Stafford \(2\)](#)
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**From Friday 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**December:**

To book a place on any of the listed activities call:

0300 111 8007

(option 2, then option 3)



Children can have two free activities every month!

Click here for further details:

[Aiming High - Activities and short breaks | Staffordshire Connects](#)

## East Staffordshire

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January**



**Staffordshire**  
Wildlife Trust

10:30am – 12:30pm

Ramble at Branston Water Park

0 – 19 years



Branston Water Park, Lichfield Road, Branston, Burton-on-Trent, DE14 3HD



**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January**



60-minute sessions for riders who are **from Newcastle**

**Staffs Moorlands/Burton-on-Trent**

Who have longer to travel

Times to be confirmed with Gartmore Riding School

Gartmore Riding School, Hall Lane, Hammerwich, Burntwood, WS7 0JT



**We are still waiting for activities from Doves Care**



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