

TOWER VIEW NEWS



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PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear parents/ carers

It has been a rather exciting week at Tower View!

As well as all the usual fantastic things that go on at school, 10 children from Years 5 and 6 were able to attend the 10th anniversary celebrations at St George's park by joining in a football tournament representing Burton Albion. Only 2 schools in Burton were chosen to do this.

This was very exciting in itself—and then a couple of days later we were informed Prince William would be there!!

The children performed really well at the football—both getting to the semi-finals. What pleased me the most was to hear them talking about each others performances in really positive language.

As a school, we gave Prince William a booklet about Tower View—with every year group contributing to share the best of Tower View (forest schools, PE and music for example) and to express our sympathy to the royal families recent loss. We also gave him 3

badges that we gave to each child in school to celebrate the jubilee in the summer—which he has said he would pass on to his children. Percy in Y6 was interviewed for ITV news about this!!

We also included an invite to visit the school in the future lets hope he comes!

Today's newsletter is longer than usual—but is full of interesting things from the week at school—and information you should find useful so please do take the time to read!

Best wishes

Graham Lobb

Headteacher



School Dinners:

After half term we will be updating the school dinners menu.

We have been working hard with Chartwells (our school diner providers) to create a menu that is full of the food that is popular with our children and we have talked about portion size with them. More information to follow on Monday.

A reminder.... If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals—a quick and simple application is [here](#)

In the forest with Year 4:

Year 4 had a fabulous time in forest schools this week—and they made a delicious apple crumble. I know it was delicious because I was given a bowlful!

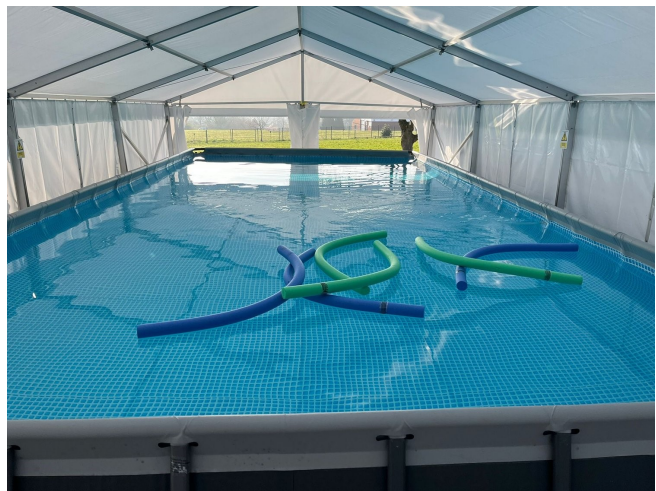
I am told they were scrapping out the last bits from the cooking pot as they all enjoyed it so much—and cooked using apples grown on the school grounds!

Swimming

Parents will be aware that we haven't been able to take the children swimming in recent years. We have been able to arrange for a pool to be at school for 3 weeks in January.

Several year groups will be able to have intense swimming lessons over this 3 week period as swimming is an important part of the National Curriculum.

More news to follow!



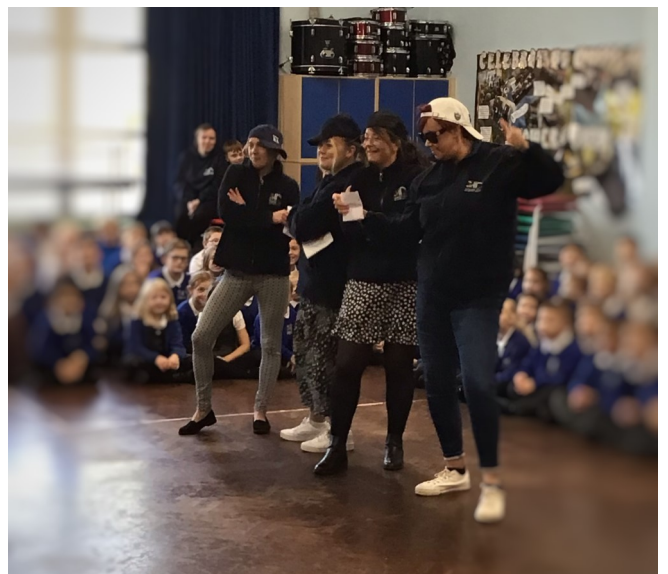
POETRY ASSEMBLY

Thursday was National Poetry Day. To celebrate, each year group team plus Mrs Chapman and I, learnt a poem to perform to the school. 3 year groups performed a completely original poem written for the day..... (these poems—plus some photos—are below—apologies—I forgot to photograph some of the performers!!)

The Fresh Year Group of Tower View(?)

Now, this is a story about year 4,
Each day we do a little bit more
Miss Nev, Miss Wright
Wooders n Stew
We love you all at Tower View

On Vancouver Drive, we find our way
In the classroom is where we spend most of our day
Chilling out, maxing, relaxing all cool
And doing lots of lessons here in school
Science is cool, it's always so good
Do we have best school in the neighbourhood?
we dissected a fish, we weren't scared
But It smelt so bad we fell out of our chair
Mr Lobb on the gate as we get near
If you look closely, you won't see any fear
I thought about going to another school
But I thought nah forget it, our home's Tower View



Everyone is different (Year 3—by Miss Williams)

This is a poem about being unique
From the way we look to the languages we speak
Because everyone's different in their own special way
But what makes us different? You may stop to say.

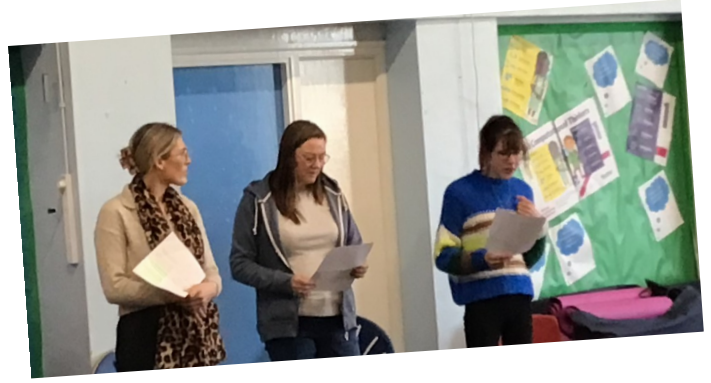
So to help you think about who you are
I asked some of the teachers, their answers bizarre.
“*What makes you different*” was the question I posed
And here are their secrets which will now be exposed:

Mr Lobb plays the drums and performed on TV
If he wasn't our head teacher I wonder who he'd be?
Mrs Harvey's plays the flute, the recorder and guitar
And also the piccolo, she's quite the music star!

Miss Edkins has a cat and loves riding her bike
Miss Wright when she was 12 took a 26 mile hike!
“2 little ducks” yells the bright bingo man
Mrs Kelly has won, she's a big bingo fan.

Miss Jackson likes knitting, Mrs Evans
Rollerskating
Miss Williams likes writing and colourful painting.
Now this next one surprised me, Miss Neville
hates cake!
What do you eat on birthdays to cause belly ache?

Miss Dawes she loves shopping, and dressing all snazzy,
She lived in New Zealand, a place rather jazzy.
Mrs Halford eats curry every Friday night
Mrs Garratt just loves food, she has quite the appetite!



Mr Geiregger he owns a fierce feral cat
Who Loves chasing outside the little mole rat.
And guess how many grandkids Mrs. Geary owns
Not one but nine, such beautiful milestones.

Mrs Woodward loves speeches, like ones told at weddings
Her speeches so long she'll be in newspaper headings!
Miss Redfern met Buzz Aldrin, the second man on the moon
Can you imagine meeting an astronaut one afternoon!?

Mrs Stewart goes fishing in waters all blue
Mr Darvil plays football and loves golfing too.
And For 20 years someone's worked at this school
Ms Dunne has been here which I think's really cool.

Watching you discover and explore who you are
Watching you work hard to be the next superstar
Because one day you'll achieve so many great things
Whether that's eating 10 ice creams or designing gold rings.

For everyone is different and everyone's unique
From the tips of your fingers to the tops of your feet.

Year One (by Miss Davies)

Welcome to Year One
Where we have lots of fun
We love to work and play
As we go about our day

We have to learn our phonics
With lots of sounds and actions.
We do enjoy our maths lessons
But aren't quite ready yet for fractions(!)

Well-being Wednesday—Bagels
And forest Friday too
Are just a few of our favourite things,
That we all love to do

Team work makes the dream work
That's what we like to say.
Learning how to get along
And taking turns as we play

Try our best and have a go
That's all we ask of you
And once you put hat to the test,
There's nothing you can't do



And if you fancy watching some wonderful performance poetry as a family—this is my favourite (but it would have been far too long to learn for the assembly....).

[Michael Rosen—Chocolate Cakke](#)