



Dear parents/ carers,

Welcome back to school for the new school year. I hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer – despite the actual presence of much summery weather.

Please read this letter to let you know about a few changes for the new term.

Looking forward to seeing you all tomorrow!

Graham Lobb

#### **Communication:**

We will no longer be using Seesaw to communicate between home and school. We will soon be having a new system in school - which will make information from school easier to access in 1 place via an app (details to follow) but in the interim:

To contact your child's teacher – please use **e-mail** in the 1<sup>st</sup> instance. The address are in the format [Year1@towerview.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:Year1@towerview.staffs.sch.uk) and will go to all the staff in the year group. Please allow 2 working days for a reply.

If something is **urgent** – please contact the school office on 01283 247455 or [office@towerview.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@towerview.staffs.sch.uk) (this includes 1<sup>st</sup> day sickness calls)

**Newsletters** will continue to be sent via e mail through ParentPay. We are still able to send you texts when needed.

**Reception** will continue to use **Tapestry** as well as be able to be contacted via [Reception@towerview.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:Reception@towerview.staffs.sch.uk)

The [help@towerview.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:help@towerview.staffs.sch.uk) is there for anyone who needs help. These messages will always be treated in full confidence.

#### **Uniform:**

Please remember that the school's new Uniform Policy is now an expectation. Please see the full policy [here](#). PE and Forest School days will be communicated through the 1<sup>st</sup> week.

##### **WINTER**

White shirt/ blouse or white or light blue polo shirt

Charcoal grey/ black trousers/ skirt or pinafore dress

Royal blue school jumper/ cardigan

With skirt/ dress – grey or black tights or white socks

Black shoes or trainers

##### **SUMMER** – optional changes

Charcoal grey shorts instead of trousers

Blue/ white checked gingham dresses can be worn in place of a skirt/ pinafore dress

##### **PE Days**

White t shirt (or plain t shirt in house colour)

Plain black shorts or joggers/ PE leggings/ tracksuit trousers

Trainers or plimsols

A plain royal blue hoodie/ sweatshirt– or a school jumper/ cardigan

#### **Staffing:**

We welcome Mr Williams to Year 4 and Mrs Copley to the school office. I know you will make them feel very welcome.

### **Website:**

We have a new school website. The address is still the same – [www.towerview.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.towerview.staffs.sch.uk) but it will hopefully become more of a space that parents can use for information.

1 new feature is the downloadable calendar [here](#) which can be downloaded onto phones of all types! (click the subscribe button)

We will make sure as much as we can that this is kept up to date ..... never miss a non-uniform day again!! Full dates for the year to follow!

### **School meals:**

For those who have to pay for their school meals, these are now priced at £2.83.

The menu for the term is [here](#)

Please make sure that meals are paid for in advance via [ParentPay](#)

### **School Day:**

A reminder that the school day has changed.

#### **Gates Open – 8:40am**

Register taken (start of school day) – 8:50am

Breaktime - 10:30am

Lunchtime Reception / KS1 - 11:45/12:00-1:00pm

Lunchtime KS2 - 12:15-1:15pm

#### **End of school day – 3:20pm**

Gates at the end of the day will be opened from approximately 3:00pm. If lessons are taking place on the playgrounds (eg PE) please make sure you wait away from the area until the children have gone in.

### **OOSC:**

This is now under the management of the school – but offering the same fantastic service.

To book please email [oosc@towerview.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:oosc@towerview.staffs.sch.uk) or call 07543588160 (7-10am or 2-7pm)

Details [here](#)

### **RAAC Concrete:**

You will have read in the news about the current issues with schools and RAAC concrete.

We do not have any confirmed RAAC in our buildings and have not been asked to close any areas. However, we want to take care and to be sure, and are currently working with the DfE to actively check whether RAAC has been used in the construction of any part of our buildings. If RAAC is identified, we will let you know straight away, and we have contingencies in place.

### **Parent Governor:**

One of our current parent governors is reaching the end of their term of office.

If you may be interested in becoming a parent governor, please contact Mr Lobb for a conversation in the first instance or look for more information [here](#)

Closing date for interest is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September

If there is more than 1 interested person there will be an election of parents. All governors need to undertake a full DBS check.