

Tower View Newsletter

19th October 2023

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Dear Parents/carers

Yesterday, we had a whole school assembly where each class or year group from Years 2-6 shared a poem for the rest of the school. There was a nice mixture of serious and funny - my personal favourites were Year 2's lovely rendition of 'The Owl and the Pussycat' and 6CG's funny poem about their zombie teacher (until he's had his first cup of tea of the day!)

It is always nice to come together to share things that the children have prepared in class.

Last Friday was also a day of great fun with the 'Rockstars and Robots' day. Some of the outfits were amazing (thank you for the work getting them ready). The day was about more than dressing up though. It was a re-launch of Times Table Rockstars and Numbots. This is an important part of what we ask children to do at home. Just 3 minutes a day through the year will have a great impact on your child's basic number skills. Remember - they both use a bit of AI in the background to see what your child knows so make sure they play on these all by themselves without too much help! It will learn what they know and what they need to practise!

Please click the link below to see photos from the day

<https://www.towerview.staffs.sch.uk/gallery/?pid=85&gcatid=1>

Best wishes

Graham Lobb

Head Teacher

PTFA Meeting

The PTFA have planned a short meeting on Friday 27th October at 2:15pm in the school dinner hall to discuss their Christmas event.

Please come and join them.

PTFA - F for Friends, meaning that it could be grand-parents or anyone that has time on their hands to volunteer.

Y2 Cloakroom

Please can parents drop their Y2 children at the outside door to reduce the number of people in the cloakroom area. It's getting rather busy and noisy.

If you need to speak to a Year 2 adult, please do still pop in to see us!

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 19th October - Halloween disco

Wednesday 25th October - Class Assembly 9:10am - 5CD

Thursday 26th October - Y2 School trip to Aston Hall

Friday 27th October - Last day of term

Monday 6th November - Back to school

Wednesday 8th November - Flu vaccinations

Monday 13th November - Anti-bullying week

Tuesday 14th November - Parents Evening

Wednesday 15th November - Parents Evening

Wednesday 15th November - Class Assembly 9:10am - 4AH

Friday 24th November - Y6 trip to Black Country Museum (more details to follow)

Friday 8th December - PTFA Christmas event

Thursday 21st December - Last day of term

Friday 22nd December - INSET day

Monday 8th January - Back to school

Wednesday 24th January - Class Assembly 9:10am - 2KE

Wednesday 31st January - Class Assembly 9:10am - 5OD

Wednesday 7th February - Class Assembly 9:10am 3IR

Wednesday 28th February - Class Assembly 9:10am 6CG

Wednesday 6th March - Class Assembly 9:10am - 1JD

Wednesday 13th March - Parents Evening

Thursday 14th March - Parents Evening

Wednesday 20th March - Class Assembly 9:10am - 2RH

Wednesday 17th April - Class Assembly 9:10am - 4RW

Wednesday 24th April - Class Assembly 9:10am - 1PM

Wednesday 8th May - Class Assembly 9:10am - 3CW

W/C 13th May - Y6 SATs

Wednesday 5th June - Class Assembly 9:10am - Reception

Thursday 13th June - Sports Day

Friday 28th June - PTA Summer Fayre

PTFA Christmas Event

Dear Parents/ Carers;

Please Support us by selling tickets for the raffle which will be drawn on Friday 8th 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 1st 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

We Need You

We need willing and able parents to listen to our children read. We will be offering training on Wednesday 25th October at 2:30pm for anyone who would be interested. Please contact the school office for more information.



Flu Vaccination

Flu vaccinations will take place on Wednesday 8th November. Consent must be given by 10am on Tuesday 7th November. Please see letter below or the class letters page on the school website for more information.

Parents Evening

Parents evening appointments are booking up fast, please send your appointment request slip back as soon as possible.

TRY TENNIS

SUNDAY 29th OCTOBER

At Burton Tennis & Squash Club, Ashby Road,
Burton-on-Trent, DE15 0LQ

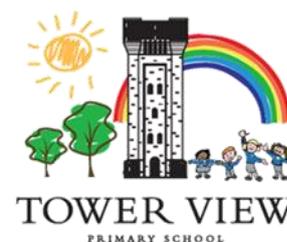
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Dear Parent/Guardian

The Childhood Flu Vaccination Programme 2023 will be offered to:
Primary Schools – Reception to Year 6
Middle Schools – Year 5 to Year 8
High Schools – Year 7 to Year 11
Special Education Provision - Reception to Year 13 (up to and including age 18)

This vaccination is to help protect your child against flu. Flu is a virus which can make you feel very unwell and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family members and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

This vaccination is free. It is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, they should have the flu vaccine again this year. The nasal vaccine is offered to children as it is more effective than the injected vaccine. However, if your child is at high risk from flu due to 1 or more medical conditions or treatments and can't have the nasal flu vaccine they should have the flu vaccine by injection.

For further information see: www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/school-age-immunisation
www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/
[Protecting your Child against Flu Leaflet](#)

The consent form must be completed by someone with Parental Responsibility or Delegated Authority – please see the definitions below if you are unsure.

To complete the on-line consent form, please using the following link: <https://forms.mpft.nhs.uk/>
Choose the following from the dropdown list:

Tower View Primary – 08 Nov 2023 – Flu
Your school code is: SS124046-23

Please make sure that you complete and submit your child's consent form as soon as you get it, whether you wish your child to be vaccinated or not and **only submit one consent form per child.**

Consents Forms must be submitted by 10am on Tuesday 7th November 2023, as we are unable to accept them after this date. You may be required to bring your child to a community clinic for a catch-up appointment, if you do not submit the consent form by the required date above.

If your child has **ASTHMA** and there are any changes to their health 14 days before the vaccination date **YOU MUST** contact the immunisation service on 0300 124 0366 as your child may not be well enough to receive the vaccination. These include, if your child:

- **Becomes wheezy**
- **Has required oral steroids**
- **Has increased their asthma medication**

Some people may not accept the use of porcine gelatine in medical products and for those, an alternative injectable porcine free vaccine is available this year. This will be an injection, not a nasal spray and may need to be given in a clinic setting, rather than school. If your child needs the porcine free injectable vaccination you will need to complete the e-consent form and tick the no-consent box for the nasal flu spray. You will then be asked to confirm the reason you do not consent to the nasal flu spray and asked to consent to the injectable flu vaccine

***PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY:**

The person(s) with parental responsibility will usually, but not always be the child's birth parents. People with parental responsibility for the child include: the child's mother; the child's father if married to the mother at the child's conception, birth or later; a legally appointed guardian; the local authority if the child is on a care order; or a person named in a residence order in respect of the child. Fathers who have never been married to the child's mother will only have parental responsibility if they acquired it through a court order or parental responsibility agreement. After the 30th November 2003 unmarried fathers have automatic parental responsibility for their children if they are named on the birth certificate.

For a child born before the 30th November 2003, they can be re-registered and the father named on the birth certificate, after which the father will have automatic parental responsibility.
(Ref: www.childrenslegalcentre.com)

DELEGATED AUTHORITY:

In particular circumstances, the person(s) who hold(s) parental responsibility may have given delegated authority to a foster carer to be able to give consent for immunisations. Where a foster carer does not hold delegated authority for immunisations please arrange for the local authority to complete and sign the enclosed form.

If you have any concerns and would like to discuss the vaccination further or your child has already received the flu vaccine via your GP please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Immunisation Service on 0300 124 0366 Monday – Friday 8.30 – 4pm.

Yours Sincerely

School Age Immunisation Service.

<https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/school-age-immunisation>

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The number of children and young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated.

You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

If your child has missed one or both of the MMR vaccinations contact your GP surgery to arrange an appointment.

