

TOWER VIEW NEWS



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PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear parents/ carers

I can't quite believe we are entering the final week of the half term! Christmas seems a long time ago—but also feels like it has only just happened.

Last week, our visitors from Konflux completed online safety workshops with every class. These were really well received by all of the children.

Please do read through the whole newsletter as there is lots of information to take in.

I hope you all have a fabulous half term break once it arrives

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Graham Lobb

Partial Closures due to strike action

As has been communicated previously, one of the main teaching unions, the NEU, has further strike action on 1st March, 15th March and 16th March. If there are any changes to the partial closure, I will update parents by the end of this week.

The strikes are not only—or even mainly—about teacher pay but also about general school funding which has dropped significantly over the last 10 years. Any pay rises have had to be funded out of existing budgets meaning less money for the wider schools needs.

No teacher wants to strike or cause disruption.

If you would like to support teachers, consider a letter to your MP. Some details to support this are [here](#)



Upcoming Dates:

February:

Friday 17th: Final day of half term

Monday 27th: First Day of half term

March:

Wednesday 1st: Partial closure due to strike action

Wednesday 8th: Year 6 to visit Abbot Beyne

Thursday 9th: Class Assembly 5OD (9:15am) - PARENTS WELCOME

w/c Monday 13th: British Science Week

Wednesday 15th: Partial closure due to strike action

Thursday 16th: Partial closure due to strike action

Wednesday 22nd: Parents Evening (3:45pm-5:30pm)*

Thursday 23rd: Parents Evening (4pm-7pm)*

Wednesday 29th: Visit by Olympic Paralympian (more information to follow)

Friday 31st: Easter service at St Marks (school only)

Through March all Y4, Y5 and Y6 classes will also visit St Marks to 'Experience Easter'

Looking forward—we still have 1 INSET day to set for this school year—this will be on **FRIDAY 26th MAY** so on this day school will be closed to children.

School Dinners

We have been informed that school dinners should rise to £2.83 for those who pay for them after half term.

I feel that this is the wrong time to raise prices and this is not representing the value that school dinners should provide.

As a result, for the rest of this school year, school will subsidise the increase for all.

We will work with our meal providers about cost for the next school year but there may end up being a significant rise if food prices do not start to drop as the subsidy is not something we can provide long term.

Dear Zoo



Rod Campbell

In Reception they have had lots of exciting visitors last week linked to their book 'Dear Zoo'.... I hope—like in the book—that they sent them all back!!

It was fabulous to see the excited and enquiring faces on all of the children!



My 'being brave' face! I popped down to Reception at just the right, or wrong, time (depending on your view of that particular guest!!)

PTA NEWS!

We have two events coming up next half term towards Easter. The 'Chocolate Bingo' Friday 24th March, is aimed at families and members of the local community, children should be accompanied by an adult. No entry price – spend as much or as little as you like on bingo books there! We would appreciate any **donations of chocolate** – this could include biscuits, cereal, hot chocolate etc, from your store cupboard... or might your place of work donate as it is to raise money for school? Please bring any donations to the school office. The second event will be an Easter disco for the children on Thursday 30th March – more details to follow.



PTFA raising funds for school

- Friday 24th March, KS2 school hall
- Doors open 5:30pm – eyes down 6pm
- Refreshments (inc. hot dogs)
- Raffle

**Fun evening for the
family – all welcome!**





Burton Community Champions

Invite you to the Health and Wellbeing Fair

Thursday 23rd February 2023

1 pm - 5 pm

**Burton Albion Community Trust Hub
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Exhibitors

ESS Diabetes UK Patient Network
Staffordshire Network for Mental Health
Public Health
Harvey Girls, Dads 4 Dads
UHDB Patient Experience
Everyone Health
Everyone Active
YESS
Support Staffordshire
Social Prescribers
Alzheimers
St Giles Hospice
Trent & Dove
Staffs & Stoke Wellbeing Service
Changes
Staffordshire Staying Well Service
Prostate Cancer Support
Carlton Group Surgery
Staffordshire Library
Mental Health & Dementia Research
Samaritans
Healthwatch Staffordshire
Staffordshire Fire Service
Star Foundation
& Others

WINSHILL NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE

(Charity No.1158268)

Cost Of Living Crisis

We are here to help!

If you find yourself in need of any help with, food, toiletries, cleaning/ laundry products, nappies, sanitary wear etc. Please don't hesitate to contact us at the Centre.

Please either text: 07422514072

Or email:wnrc12@hotmail.co.uk

OR CALL: 01283 740871

Citizen's Advice- If you live in Winshill & need an appointment please contact us and we can refer you.

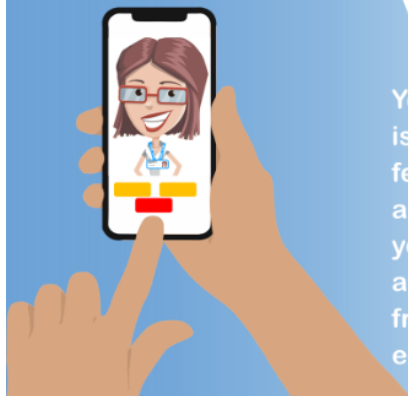
Families' Health and Wellbeing



Midlands Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust
A Keele University Teaching Trust

School Nurse virtual drop in clinic

Every
Thursday
from
3.30 - 4.30pm



Your School Nurse is here to help you feel healthy, happy and safe during your school years and to get the best from your education.

Join the link and talk to a School Nurse.
We provide a confidential and friendly service

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