

TOWER VIEW NEWS



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PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear parents/ carers

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all of you!

I hope you were able to enjoy the Christmas holidays and have some time as families to enjoy the season and the break together.

In a previous school, this term was always known as the term of hard work and no nonsense—and it's very true! By this term the children know the staff they are working with—and their expectations - and the staff know the children well so it is the term—without the distractions of Christmas/ summer- where the most progress is made.

There's also lots of exciting things going on here this term.... You may

well have seen the swimming pool on the KS2 playground when you collected your children last week.

Please do read through this newsletter for the upcoming dates, some details on swimming and the newly signed off uniform policy which will take effect from September but I want you all to be aware of now.

Best wishes

Graham Lobb

Application for Reception 2023

The final day for applications for Reception class to start in September 2023 is this Sunday—15th January. Please make sure you/ your friends do applications in time!

The link to complete this is [Here](#)

If your child is ill

If your child is ill—please do keep them off school.

There are currently high levels of flu and COVID 19 (again!) as well as high numbers of Scarlet fever around the country.

Government advise at the moment is:

If your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better and the fever has resolved.

Thank you for your understanding if we do need to call you to collect your child.



Upcoming Dates:

January:

Tuesday 10th: Dance club (Y1/2) starts

Wednesday 11th: Pantomime in school (Snow White)

Thursday 12th: PTA Meeting in school—2:30pm ALL WELCOME

Monday 16th: Swimming starts for 3 weeks

Monday 16th: Dentist visiting Y6

Thursday 19th: Class Assembly 2RH (9:15am) - PARENTS WELCOME

Friday 20th: Year 4 camp deposits due

Thursday 26th: Class Assembly 2KE (9:15am) - PARENTS WELCOME

February:

Thursday 2nd: Class Assembly 4CW (9:15am) - PARENTS WELCOME

w/c Monday 6th: Konflux Theatre Workshops

Thursday 9th: Class Assembly 6CG (9:15am) - PARENTS WELCOME

Friday 17th: Final day of half term

Monday 27th: First Day of half term

March:

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

Parents Evenings:

Apologies!

A change to the previously published dates

These will now be

Wednesday 15th March 4pm-7pm and Thursday 16th March 3:45pm-5:30pm

Details to follow....



Swimming:

We are really excited to have the swimming pool now up and full of water on the KS2 playground.

Swimming is an important part of PE in the National Curriculum—which is why all school must ensure that all children have the opportunity to learn to swim—and keep themselves safe around water.

All children from Year 3-Year 6 will have some time in the pool. Each child's session will be 30minutes at a time.

Starting **Monday 16th January** for **3 weeks**:

Year 6 will swim every day Monday-Thursday

Year 5 will swim every day Monday- Thursday

4RN will swim Monday, Wednesday Friday

4CW will swim Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Year 3 will swim Fridays

We plan to have the pool every year to build on what the children learn year on year.

What will my child need?

Each day they swim your child will need.

Swimming costume

Towel

Goggles (optional)

Swimming hat (if your child has long hair)

No earrings can be worn on swimming days (or these must be taken out.)

Bear in mind if you child swims most days you will need to rinse/ wash the kit prior to the next day.

Children may wear PE kits on swimming days—and may wear their kit under their clothes (but bringing underwear to change into!)

Any questions? Please speak to Mr Lobb, Miss Dawes or your child's teacher.



Uniform

The governors have agreed a new uniform policy for the school. This comes into full effect in September, however, in case you are making decisions buying school/ PE clothing/ footwear as your child grows out of things, I wanted you to be aware of the changes now.

Overview of changes:

PE to be worn on PE days—no PE kit to be stored in school. This takes effect from w/c 16th January—your child will bring home their PE kit this Friday.

A PE 'uniform' so children still look part of the school on their PE days.

Children may wear black shoes or trainers daily.

The new uniform expectations are:

Our dress code encourages children's pride in their appearance and to increase their feeling of belonging to a caring school. Summer uniform is from Easter to October half term. Children should come to school dressed in accordance with the code below:

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 may also be worn – or a school jumper/ cardigan.

The full policy is [here](#)