# The Early





Issue 1: Friday 8th September 2023

Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught and you will overflow with thankfulness. Colossians 2:7

### From the Headteacher.....

Dear parents/carers,

Can I just say thank you to all of our families for an exceptional start to the term. The expectations of our children arriving on time, and in their smart uniform has set them up well for new learning. The children have made us incredibly proud, and our new year 6 children have really lit the way this week for the rest of the school. Well done all!

It is pleasing news to tell you that our community team is expanding. I was lucky enough to be invited to Holy Trinity Church on Wednesday evening for the Licensing of Revd Liz Hollis, Revd Fran Bridgewater and also Revd Preb Adrian Stone from Trentham Parish. The new Benefice is made up of Thomas the Apostle Church in Penkull, Holy Trinity Church in Hartshill and our very own local parish of St. John's Church in Trent Vale. The Benefice is being supported by Trentham parish as they grow in Spirit.

Finally, home learning and reading is undoubtedly beneficial to our children so just to update you, Google Classroom will be finalised over the next week for all pupils. All children will now have a reading diary and book so keep up that great routine of reading 'little and often'.

Have a lovely weekend in the sunshine that has arrived.

Mrs SM Bowyer Headteacher

# Dates for your Diary Tea and Toast Meetings

8:15- 8:45am in the school hall:

Monday 11th September - (Nursery and Reception).

Tuesday 12th September—Y1 and Y2

Wednesday 13th September—Y3 and Y4

Thursday 14th September—Y5 and Y6

Friday 29th September 9am— World's Biggest Coffee Morning for

Macmillan Cancer Support everyone welcome (more details to follow)

Monday 16th October and Tuesday 17th October - Parents' Evening

October 2nd to 27th October we will be collecting food for our local foodbank. Details to follow

Monday 30th October - Friday 3rd November - Half Term (School closed)

**Monday 6th November** - INSET Day (School closed to pupils)

### Prayer

God, as the new school year starts, we thank you for your immeasurable grace and mercy. We ask for your blessings upon our children as they step into new experiences and opportunities at school. Help them to be kind and respectful to everyone in their class so that we can all learn and grow together in peace. Amen

# Information for our new parent/carers

We use a one way system when you bring your child and when collecting them at the end of the day.

You walk around the building, following the path and once you have dropped off your child you continue to walk to the other gate. Staff are on both gates to guide you if needed. This is both morning and afternoon.

Please note that the playground equipment should not be used by your children <u>before</u> the start of the school day and at the <u>end</u> of the school day. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter

All pupils riding to school on scooters and bikes, please dismount before entering the school gates and push bikes and scooters into our sheds. This includes balance bikes.





Yes please

# Information continued

We ask that no dogs, little or large, carried or not to be brought into school grounds.



If you have any spare leggings or joggers that your child has grown out of, could we please have them for when a child needs a change of clothes.

Thank you

# **Important information**

# Please read

Attendance and lates are monitored each week. If your child's attendance falls you will receive letters. The procedure for attendance is;

- If attendance falls—letter 1
- No improvement

   letter 2
- Still no improvement—medical evidence required (no absence will be
- authorised unless we see evidence eg appointment card, prescription,
   medication)
- If we see no improvement you will be invited to an attendance clinic with our Education Welfare Officer & school
- Falling attendance could lead to a penalty notice warning letter which could result in a fine.
- You can also receive letters and an invite to meet with our education welfare officer if your child is continually late.

# What you need to do if your child is ill

- If your child will not be attending school due to illness, please leave a message by 9am
- Phone 01782 238889 and choose option 1. This enables you to leave a message.
- Please leave a clear message giving child's name, class, the reason why they will not be attending and how long you think they will be absent for. *If we do not hear why your child is absent the safeguarding team will do a door knock before 12pm.*









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## **OPEN EVENING**

14th September 2023 5:30pm - 8:30pm

### ACADEMY TOURS

28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> September 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> October 9:00am -10:30am SATURDAY OPEN MORNING

9:00am - 12:30pm

Book online for all open events clt.trentham.coop/parents-and-carers/OpenEvents

The deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October