



Newsletter

Issue 13 – Friday 4th April 2025

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www.threetreesacademies.derbyshire.sch.uk



Dates for your Diary

Y5 Bikeability	Tuesday 29th April - Friday 2nd May
Rise Voices - Y4	Wednesday 7th May
Chocolate Bingo	Friday 9th May
KS2 Sports Day Y3 & Y4	Monday 19th May 9.30 - 10.45am
KS2 Sports Day Y5 & Y6	Monday 19th May 11am - 12.15pm
Sports Day Y1 & Y2	Tuesday 20th May 9.30 - 10.45am
Sports Day EYFS	Wednesday 21st May 9.30 - 10.30am
Y4 Beaumanor Hall Trip	Thursday 22nd May
Parent Open Afternoon	Thursday 5th June
Class Photos	Monday 23rd June
Y5 Leicester Trip	Wednesday 2nd July
EYFS Summer Fun day	Thursday 10th July
Y6 Prom	Thursday 17th July
Y6 Leavers Performances	Monday 21st & Tuesday 22nd July 10am & 2pm

Dates are subject to change

Dates to expect the Newsletter

2nd May

16th May



Term Dates

Easter Break	-	Monday 7th - Friday 18th April
Bank holiday	-	Monday 21st April
Back to School	-	Tuesday 22nd April
Bank holiday	-	Monday 5th May
Half Term	-	Monday 26th - Friday 30th May
Back to School	-	Monday 2nd June
Inset Day	-	Thursday 24th July
Summer Break	-	Friday 25th July



Relish School Food...

...are delighted to be appointed as your school's new catering partner.

Our aim is to deliver the best possible service to your children, through our commitment of:

- Using local ingredients
- Producing wholesome, exciting & tasty meals for every child
- Providing a truly bespoke service and menu
- Creating a healthy culture that celebrates making good food choices.

Each term we'll introduce a new menu, which will be specifically tailored to your children to ensure it meets their dietary, cultural and lifestyle needs.

We do this through consultation & feedback.

We want to know what you and your children think about our food, which allows us to continuously review, improve and evolve our service...



We'll engage with you through...

- Gate tasters
- Parent, carer and pupil survey's
- School council meeting
- Attending parent evenings and events
- Our Parent Portal

All parents and carers will have access to the Parent Portal, which is specific to your child or children. In the Parent Portal, you can:

- Pre order your child's meals
- View and download menus and recipes
- See upcoming events
- View allergen information
- Contact the catering team or Relish directly
- Receive messages, reminders and updates

If you have any questions please contact us on 03300 240016

- Facebook - facebook.com/RelishSchoolFood
- Instagram - instagram.com/relishschoolfood/
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DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION-FUNDED

HOLIDAY CLUBS IN DERBYSHIRE

it's about me
Derbyshire's Holiday Activity and Food Programme

2025/26

MORE INFORMATION

Did you know that as well as free school meals during term time, your child can also benefit from Department for Education-funded spaces at holiday clubs in your local area?

Thanks to the Holiday Activity and Food Programme, known in Derbyshire as 'It's About Me', your child can experience holiday clubs filled with fun, learning and healthy meals at no cost to you!

If your child is aged between 4-16 years old* and is eligible to receive benefits-related free school meals, they're entitled to access It's About Me holiday clubs.

With a wide range of activities such as sports, arts and crafts, cooking, dance, music and more, there's something for everyone! Plus, every session includes a nutritious meal to keep them energised and happy throughout the day.

Each club offers a unique programme depending on its location and type—there's so much to explore!

Not eligible? Many clubs also offer paid places, so every child has the chance to join the fun.

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING

Bookings open: 17th March 2025
Holiday clubs open: 7th April 2025 - 17th April 2025

SUMMER

Bookings open: 30th June 2025
Holiday clubs open: 28th July 2025 - 3rd September 2025

WINTER

Bookings open: 1st December 2025
Holiday clubs open: 22nd December 2025 - 2nd January 2026

All dates exclude bank holidays and weekends.

HOW TO BOOK

- 1 Get your unique IAM/ HAF code from your child's school
- 2 Go to our website itsaboutmederbyshire.co.uk
- 3 Follow our handy [How to Book Guide](#)
- 4 Sign-up to receive It's About Me updates



*See website for full eligibility criteria.



MORE INFORMATION:
itsaboutmederbyshire.co.uk



PREMIER BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY CAMP TODAY!



Free HAF spaces also available for free school meal children! See below.

Three Trees Junior School

Monday 07th April - Thursday 10th April

09:00 - 15:00

£19.62 per child per day

5 years - 11 years

book now!

premier-education.com/camps



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Improving children's health & wellbeing through active learning

Hop on over for our

EASTER

Charity Craft Market and Activities
Join us on
Saturday 19th April 2025
12.00 - 16.00
for some egg-citing family fun!
Gresley Old Hall
Swadlincote, DE11 9QW

Head into our Easter Eggtravaganza with the Easter Bunny for some fun filled activities, Dancing, Games and Afternoon Tea. No charge for under 1s and adults. Rides (chargeable extra), craft stalls and more **£9.95 per child**

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GREEN BANK LEISURE CENTRE CELEBRATING OUR 1ST BIRTHDAY

SUNDAY 6TH APRIL 10AM-3PM

Green Bank Leisure Centre is celebrating its 1st Birthday, and we would love for you to join us in making it a special day!
We've got something for everyone to enjoy throughout the day

- Family swimming sessions
- HALF PRICE climbing sessions
- FREE group exercise classes
- FREE swimming lesson tasters
- £2 bouncy castle sessions
- Local business stalls in attendance
- Wellbeing treatments in our Health Hub
- Demonstrations and activities from local clubs
- Childs entertainer and face painter

For more details and to book your place on a session, please scan the QR code or ask in centre

Our charity will be taking donations throughout the day for The Ben Kinsella Trust.

The Ben Kinsella Trust | everyOne ACTIVE

Lost Property

Can you check your child's clothing and belongings, please make sure everything is clearly named.

If the name isn't clear or has faded in the wash please rename them as we have a lot of unnamed lost property.

If you would like to purchase **Stikins** name labels please click on the link below and use **School Code 25897** as this will help generate funds for our school.

[Click here to order Stikins name labels](#) and raise money for the school.

KO SPORTS FOOTBALL FUN HOLIDAY CLUB

TOURNAMENTS CHALLENGES TROPHIES/MEDALS

UEFA LICENSED COACHES

3G FACILITY

THE PINGLE ACADEMY

09:00 - 15:00

FROM £17.50 A DAY WHEN BOOKING ALL WEEK

6-9Y OLD | 10-14Y OLD

DISCOUNTS FOR SIBLINGS + ALL WEEK BOOKINGS

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07378 369 121

LATE COLLECTION UNTIL 4PM AVAILABLE

BOOK HERE

Parking

A reminder that parents/visitors are not to park in the pre-school car park next to the school. This is a private car park owned by the pre-school. If you park in the car park you will be at risk of being locked in.

Please be respectful and courteous to our neighbouring community and please **DO NOT** park in front of peoples drives or access.

Brunt lane opposite the school is a private road so please avoid parking down there, residents do communicate with the local police.

What a fantastic Easter performance

They all worked so hard to remember lines and lyrics. We have some very talented actors and actresses!

The year 3 teachers are super proud of all of the children.

Spread the word about Free School Meals!

Lots of families are eligible for free school meals but haven't signed up yet. Even if children currently receive the universal free lunch in reception, Year 1 and Year 2 it's still worth checking if they could continue to receive them until the end of Year 6. Free school meals not only provide children with a nutritious meal, it also means their school can access additional funding to support their education.

Please encourage parents to check their eligibility online, via the [Derbyshire County Council website](https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/).



- ◆ With the changes in weather we are beginning to see a change to summer uniform.

We have high expectations for Uniform and would like to draw attention to our uniform list

[The Three Trees Academies - Uniform Information](#)

- ◆ Can we remind you that PE kits should also be a top in the house colour and black shorts (which are of an appropriate length) or black jogging bottoms.

Our wonderful Ethos Team led worship in both the Infant and Junior schools this half term. They helped our school family to think about our value of courage and how we can show it in our daily life. Well done!



Live Life Better Derbyshire are running free programmes for Derbyshire parents and carers of children aged between 0 – 12 years old.

Fancy an 8-week programme? – Meet other parents and carers in a fun weekly online group and learn how to make lasting healthy changes together.

Fancy something more bite size? – Parents may choose to join 1 or more sessions from the 4 week online programme covering a range of topics that matter the most to families.

"Social media shows families have the perfect life, but in reality no-one is like that."

"I came out feeling really supported".



Sign up to take part in the programme here
or scan the QR code



Healthier futures - Live Life Better Derbyshire



ODD SOCK DAY

Many of our children
& staff took part in
Odd Sock Day for
Down Syndrome
Awareness.



Mrs Baird is recovering well and we are hopeful that she will begin her return to work after Easter.



Phone calls from school

If you have a missed call from the school please can we ask that you listen to voicemails before calling back, it will help to know who called you and will save time in getting you put directly in touch with the correct person .

Many Thanks The Office Staff

PTFA

The PTFA are looking for volunteers to help with organizing and helping out at events.

Please see the information below - What do PTAs do and why should you join one.

If you are interested please email the office for the attention of Mrs Rowlands.

What do PTAs do?

A PTA is a Parent Teacher Association, an organisation with a mission to make the school a better place for children to learn. The PTA brings together parents, teachers and children to raise funds and strengthen the school community. Money raised is usually spent on things that the school budget does not cover.

In contrast, a Governing Body exists to support the strategic leadership of the school. The Three Trees Governing Body consists of staff, parents, Local Authority and community representatives. The governors have three main roles – Strategic Planning, Monitoring and Finance.

Why should I join one?

There are many reasons why you should join your PTA. From making new friends and getting to know the school environment, through to helping raise much needed funds and making a difference to the children and school community. All of these things help you grow in confidence as a parent and it feels good to know you are making a difference for your children and for generations to come.

What will be expected of me?

There is no expectation on any parent volunteer, any amount of time you can give to the PTA will always be well received. There are a variety of ways you can get involved, from engaging with social media activity, attending PTA Meetings through to volunteering at events or coordinating events. Even donating preloved items, raffle prizes or suggesting brilliant ideas are ways of getting involved. There seems to be a myth that if you get involved with your PTA you will never be able to escape! We make it clear that parents can come to our meetings to just listen and learn, or they can take a more active role if they want to, there are no set expectations.

How do I join my children's school's PTA?

If you would like to take an active role and find out more about PTA volunteering opportunities then attend a PTA meeting. This is a great first step. It is always a good idea to attend a few meetings to get to know the PTA and then when you are more confident you can start to take a more active role if you wish. You could always take a friend or two along and take on some tasks together.

Why is it important for a school to have a PTA?

A good PTA can help strengthen the child, parent, school community and can become a huge marketing tool for the school, a way of strengthening their reputation and increasing family engagement. The PTA can help communicate with families more effectively, enhance fundraising efforts and qualify for grants and awards to support the school. All of this activity helps enhance a school's reputation within the community. The PTA is often referred to as the heart of the school community and in our case it really is.