

NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Head

What a busy and rewarding few weeks we have had in school! The recent half term holiday, along with the lovely, sunny weather, certainly gave us the impression that the summer holidays had already arrived! Before the break, our Year 5 pupils represented our school brilliantly during the 'Great British Debate' alongside other Rise schools which we hosted. Our Y5's engaged fantastically well, demonstrating both confidence and respect in their discussions—and we were incredibly proud that they were awarded the winning debate. A wonderful achievement for all involved. Year 4 have also shown great determination as they completed their multiplication checks this week. Their resilience has been clear to see, and all the effort put into their Times Tables Rock Stars—both at home and in school—has certainly paid off. Well done to all of our Year 4 children for their hard work and perseverance. Our Year 1 pupils have also been very busy, enjoying writing to their pen pals at Frisby, as well as completing their phonics assessments. They have approached everything with enthusiasm and positivity—another example of the excellent learning attitudes we are so proud of across the school. It really has been a fun-filled few weeks! As always at this time of year, we are planning ahead for the 2026/2027 academic year. Please do keep an eye out for further updates and information over the coming weeks. Like many of you, we have been frustrated by the changeable weather, which has unfortunately led to yet another rescheduling of Sports Day, and this time without spectators. We know how disappointing this is for families. Our staff put a great deal of effort into planning and organising these events, only for the British weather to intervene—but we remain committed to ensuring the children still enjoy a positive and memorable experience. Finally, I would like to thank you for your kind messages and well wishes following our recent communication about leadership changes for the next academic year. Miss Galpin and I are very much looking forward to stepping into our new roles and continuing to build on the excellent work already in place across the school.

Dates for your Diary

Class Photos	Tues 16 th June
EYFS Statfold Trip	Wed 17 th June
Y6 Leavers Photo's	Wed 24 th June
Granville Transition	Tue 30 th June & Wed 1 st July
Whole School Transition Morning	Tue 30 th June 9am - 12.30pm
EYFS Transition New Parents & Children Only	Tue 30 th June 10.15am - 12.30pm
EYFS Transition New Children Only	Wed 1 st July 9.15am - 3pm
Readathon Event	Mon 6 th - Fri 10 th July
Pre-Loved Book and Uniform Sale	Tue 7 th July 3.30 - 4pm
Y5 Leicester Trip	Thurs 9 th July
EYFS Play Date	Thurs 9 th July 11 - 11.30am

All dates are subject to change

Term Dates

Summer Break Friday 24th July - Tuesday 8th September.

Inset days Friday 4th Sept & Monday 7th Sept.

Back to School Tuesday 8th Sept.

Waterbottles

Please remember to send your children in to school with a clearly named waterbottle. This is even more important now the weather is getting warmer.



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Sports Day

Thank you for your understanding regarding the changes to this year's Sports Day. We would like to reassure you that the children will still enjoy a Sports Day experience, which will now take place during one of their regular PE lessons. Unfortunately, due to having to cancel the event twice already because of weather conditions, this adjusted event will go ahead without spectators.

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Pre-Loved Sale

We will be selling pre-loved books and uniform at school on Tuesday 7th July at 3.30pm-4pm. Please come along and help us raise money for our school. If you have any like-new donations to make, please do so before this date.



Last week, **Year One** embarked on an exciting new Design and Technology project centred around creating their own smoothies. The children were eager to not only taste a variety of fruits but also to design and craft their unique recipes. Their enthusiasm shone through as they carefully followed each step of the process, resulting in a selection of delicious smoothies that everyone enjoyed—even the teachers couldn't resist tasting them!

During the topic, we discussed how smoothies can be a fun and tasty way to help achieve our daily five portions of fruit and vegetables. However, we also explored the importance of making healthy choices, as smoothies can contain a lot of sugar. The children demonstrated thoughtful decision-making, considering the different fruits before selecting their favourites for their blends. Our ingredients included strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, bananas, mango, apple juice, and water.

With a focus on practical skills, the children practised chopping, peeling, and coring the fruit, and then watched in delight as the blender transformed their ingredients into colourful drinks. Everyone was thrilled with their creations and couldn't wait to taste their healthy smoothies.



EYFS

We are delighted to share some exciting developments within our EYFS unit at Three Trees Infant Academy. Staff have worked incredibly hard to enhance our outdoor learning environment, creating an engaging and inspiring space for our children to learn and play.

On the 8th of May, our dedicated team organised and hosted a cake sale which raised over £300 towards new outdoor resources. We have also been overwhelmed by the generosity of our local community, who have donated fantastic new play equipment, including a stage and a playhouse. In the coming weeks we are excited to welcome a brand-new mud kitchen to further enrich outdoor learning opportunities.

A huge thank you goes to our local childminders and ARH Landscapes for their invaluable support. Another heartfelt thank you goes to the incredible EYFS team for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to creating a wonderful environment where our children can truly flourish and succeed.



Year 6 End of Year Performance & Prom

- Year 6 end of year performance is on Monday 13th July at 2pm - 3pm and on Tuesday 14th July at 10am - 11am and at 6pm - 7pm.
- Year 6 Prom is Tuesday 21st 5pm - 7pm.

****Tickets will be available to purchase soon!****

PE Kits

REMINDER - PE kits are an essential part of the school uniform. Please ensure your child wears the correct, clearly named PE kit on their designated PE day.

PE Kits are as follows -

- House colour t-shirt (or a plain white one if you do not have a house t-shirt)
- Plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms (not banded)
- Plain black hoody (not branded)
- Black plimsoles or trainers

All Families in Receipt of Universal Credit can get Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already receive free meals.

Children in Year 3 and above may also be eligible.

Three ways to check if you qualify:

- Use the free school meals checker online - simply scan the QR code
- Contact the team by email or telephone, details overleaf
- Ask at your school for further information

Good to know:

Once registered, you don't need to reapply each year. Your eligibility is checked automatically every month.



All Families in Receipt of Universal Credit can get Free School Meals

If school meals are free for reception, year 1 and year 2 - why do I still need to apply?

Eligible pupils attract Pupil Premium, additional funding for the school. This enables the school to support families in appropriate ways, for example this could include help with:

- residential school trips
- travel costs to school
- school uniform costs
- Holiday Activity Funded (HAF) Places
- music lessons



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Scooters and Bikes

Scooters and bikes must not be brought onto the playground at any time, either before or after school. This rule is in place to ensure the safety of everyone.



SEND Provider Market Place

Friday 26th June 2026



Venue: Derby Arena
Royal Way, Derby, DE24 8JB

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Parking: Parking fees apply for over 3 Hours stay.

Event Sponsor:

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