

NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th September
2026

Issue 1



Message from the Head

Welcome Back Everyone

We hope that all our children, families and staff enjoyed a wonderful summer break and had the opportunity to relax and spend time with loved ones.

It has been fantastic to welcome everyone back to school and to see our classrooms and playgrounds buzzing once again with learning, laughter and friendship. The children have returned with enthusiasm and have settled brilliantly into their new classes.

A very special welcome goes to our new Reception children and their families, as well as the new members of staff who have joined our school community this term. We are delighted to have you with us and look forward to seeing you become a valued part of school life.

We are excited about the year ahead and the many opportunities it will bring for our children to learn, achieve, grow and create lasting memories. Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work together to ensure every child thrives.

We look forward to a happy, successful and rewarding year ahead.

Miss Galpin and Mrs Wilkins
Headteachers

Dates for your Diary

Y6 Bikeability	Mon 14 th - Wed 23 rd Sept
Y3 Rise Charter - Sports	Fri 25 th Sept
TTRS & Number day	Fri 2 nd Oct
Parents Reading Open Morning	Tues 13 th Oct 9 - 9.45am
Y3 Conkers Trip	Thurs 22 nd Oct
EYFS Spooky Dress Up Day	Fri 23 rd Oct
Number Confidence Week	Mon 2 nd - Fri 6 th Nov

All dates are subject to change

Website -

www.threetreesacademies.derbyshire.sch.uk

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<https://www.facebook.com/threetreesacademies/>

Term Dates

Inset Day	Friday 16 th October
Half Term	Monday 26 th Oct - Friday 30 th Nov
Back to School	Monday 2 nd November
Christmas Break	Monday 21 st Dec - Monday 4 th Dec

Infants Attendance

Each Friday we will celebrate the 1 class across the whole of infants with the highest attendance. This class will get to keep our new Teddy mascot for the week (instead of the small attendance trophy).

Each class will be voting for his new name, during this week.



Congratulations to Miss Moore and to Miss Winters who both gave birth to beautiful healthy baby girls during the summer.

We hope they are enjoying every second of these precious early days.



Parents of children in EYFS, Y1 and Y2 are invited into school for a short meeting about phonics and reading, in the infant hall.

Please come to the school reception at 3:30 on Monday 5th October.

A reminder about fidgets and toys

We would like to ask for parent and carers' support in helping us to ensure that toys are not brought into school from home.

We recognise that some children benefit from having access to a fidget to help them with concentration, regulation and engagement in their learning. We want to make sure that our fidget provision is purposeful and supports children who genuinely need this, rather than becoming a toy-like resource or distraction.

If you feel your child would benefit from using a fidget in school, please initially speak to your child's class teacher. They will be able to discuss your child's needs with you and advise on suitable fidgets that can be used appropriately within the classroom, that can be bought in from home or provided by school. We are aware some children in our school already have this support in place. Further conversations can then take place with the SENCO's, who have oversight of the school's provision.

We really appreciate your support in helping us to keep fidgets as a supportive tool for learning and regulation, rather than something that becomes a toy or distracts from learning.

Holidays

It is Government Policy that if parents take their children out of school for the purpose of a holiday, without it being authorised, their child will incur unauthorised absences on their attendance record and parents may be issued with a fixed penalty notice and/or court action. There are up to 13 weeks each year when school is closed and parents are asked to arrange holidays during these times (dates are available on the school website). We understand that in exceptional circumstances you may need to take your child out of school, if this is the case we ask that you complete a Leave of Absence Request Form, so that we can let you know whether the absence can be authorised. This form can be requested from the School office.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Well done Three Trees' new starters!

We are so proud of how well all of our new EYFS children have settled into Three Trees life. They have been learning new routines and expectations so well and having lots of fun and making new friends at the same time! We are so proud of them.

Parent Reading Workshop Year 3 - Year 6

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to our Parent Reading Workshop. This will be a valuable opportunity to find out more about how we teach and support reading in our school, and what reading looks like for children in the classroom.

The workshop will also provide practical ideas and helpful tips for supporting your child's reading at home. It will be a really useful session and a great chance to learn more about what happens with reading in our school.

 **Tuesday 29th September**

 **3.30-4.00pm**

 **Junior Hall**

Y3 - Y6

We hope you will be able to join us and look forward to sharing how we help our children become confident, enthusiastic readers.