

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 15th October 2026

Issue 3



Message from the Head

As we approach the end of another busy half-term, we would like to thank all our families for your continued support. It has been wonderful to see our school community come together for our Year 4 Harvest Celebration and the EYFS Sponsored Walk. The children did a fantastic job, and we are very grateful for your generous contributions and support in making these events such a success! It was also lovely to see so many of you at our Reading Open Morning this week, please continue to check the newsletter and website for further events. We are looking forward to seeing you all at Parents' Evening on 3rd and 4th November. Please do pop into the infant hall when you arrive, in between appointments or at the end, where we will be available with refreshments and happy to answer any questions or offer support. As we head towards the end of next week, we hope you all have a lovely and restful half-term break when it arrives.

Thank you,
Miss Galpin and Mrs Wilkins

Dates for your Diary

Y3 Conkers Trip	Thurs 22 nd Oct
EYFS Spooky Dress Up Day	Fri 23 rd Oct
Parents Evenings	Tues 3 rd & Wed 4 th November 3.30pm - 6.30pm
Number Confidence Week	Mon 2 nd - Fri 6 th Nov
Remembrance Service	Wed 11 th Nov 10.45am - 11.15am
Flu Immunisations	Wed 11 th Nov
Children in Need	Friday 13 th Nov
Y4 MTC Parent Meeting	Thurs 19 th Nov 3.30pm - 4pm
Y6 Parents SAT's Meeting	Tues 24 th Nov 3.30pm - 4pm

All dates are subject to change

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Term Dates

Inset Day	Friday 16 th October
Half Term	Monday 26 th Oct - Friday 30 th Oct
Back to School	Monday 2 nd November
Christmas Break	Monday 21 st Dec - Monday 1 st Jan
Back to School	Monday 4 th January 2027



OCTOBER ACTIVITY CAMP
ASHBY LEISURE CENTRE
Monday 19th October – Friday 23rd October

PARENTS FIRST CHOICE FOR CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CAMPS

- EXTENDED HOURS 8.30AM – 5.30PM
- ONLY £33 PER DAY
- BOOK INDIVIDUAL DAYS
- SIBLING DISCOUNT
- CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED (+GOV TAX FREE)
- VARIETY OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES

SPORTS
INFLATABLES
TEAM GAMES
ARTS & CRAFTS
& LOTS MORE!

BOOK ONLINE

www.tayplay.net/camps

SEND Parents and Carers Masking, Meltdowns & Regulation Workshop

Woodville Youth and Community Centre
8 Moira Rd, Woodville, Swadlincote DE11 8DG

Tuesday 8th December

10 am - 12pm

Led by First Look SEN
Explore what masking can look like, understand what may sit behind meltdowns, and learn practical ways to support regulation and reduce overwhelm.



Please book on our website

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www.umbrella.uk.net



Children in Need 2026

Friday 13th November is Children In Need day! All children are encouraged to come in to school on that day wearing something yellow and/or spots with school uniform and bring a £1 donation to support this worthwhile day.

The children will also get to do some themed activities in the classroom. We look forward to seeing all that yellow and spots!

SEND Parents and Carers PDA Awareness Workshop

Woodville Youth and Community Centre
8 Moira Rd, Woodville, Swadlincote DE11 8DG

Tuesday 10th November

10 am- 12 pm

Led by First Look SEN
Supporting families to better understand Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA), with practical advice, helpful strategies and an opportunity to ask questions.



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Jewellery Reminder

A gentle reminder to parents and carers that, in line with our school policy, children should wear stud earrings only. For health and safety reasons, hooped or dangling earrings are not permitted in school.

Please also remember that on PE days, earrings must either be removed before coming to school or covered with tape from home. Staff are unable to remove earrings or provide tape for children.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep all children safe during lessons and physical activities.

Transfer to Secondary Education 2027/2028

The closing date for parents to make their applications for their child's transfer to secondary education is fast approaching. We will be sending reminder letters to parents who have not yet applied.

Closing date is midnight on 31st October 2026.

EYFS SPONSORED WALK

Thank you to our EYFS parents who joined us and sponsored the children to complete their walk around the park on Monday 5th October.

It was a lovely morning and a big success. The money raised will be spent on resources for EYFS



Snacks

Please can you ensure your child/children are bringing only healthy snacks to school e.g. fresh or dried fruit/veg, breakfast bars, yogurt, cheese & biscuits etc.

Chocolate & crisps are not permitted for morning snack.



Parents Reading Open Morning

Thank you to the parents that came to enjoy a lovely reading themed morning with your child/children this week. It was so great to see parents reading with their children and joining in with fun activities. We understand the huge importance there is to read at home and events like this make us see that you value reading too. Thank you.





Miss Robinson

We would like to share that Miss Robinson will be leaving Three Trees Academies at Christmas to move to Australia with her family in January 2027, where she will be taking up a new teaching role. We are very sad to see her go but wish her and her family every happiness as they begin this exciting new adventure.

We can't wait to receive a postcard!



Y4 Harvest Festival

Thursday 8th October saw our Year 4 pupils perform their Harvest celebration at St. Stephen's Church.

There were facts about farming, an A to Z of fruits and vegetables, a dramatic retelling of the story of the 'The King and the Seed', top tips on how we can help care for our planet, prayers of thanks for the food, shelter and clean water we enjoy and some super singing of harvest songs.

The children did a fantastic job and it was wonderful to see so many parents and carers in the congregation supporting the children.



Poet Visit

What a fantastic time we had on Monday 5th October with local poet, Attie Lime! All year groups enjoyed a poetry workshop and created fun poems. It was so lovely to see the children's imaginations come alive. We saw a love for books and reading with so many of you purchasing Attie's books. At lunchtime, our Reading Reps even got to have an exclusive meet and greet with Attie where they got to hear never-heard-before poems from her latest book. What a brilliant day!



Year 1 Parents and Carers

This week, your child will be bringing home a list of reading words to practise alongside their reading book. These words match the sound-spellings we have been learning in our Sounds-Write phonics lessons and will help to develop confidence and fluency in reading.

So far, we have learned the sounds /ae/ and /ee/. Please spend a few minutes each week practising these words with your child. We will add new words every fortnight as new sounds are introduced.

Reading little and often at home makes a huge difference to your child's progress. Thank you for your continued support and encouragement with your child's reading journey. Please keep them safely in the plastic reading folders.

Thank you,
The Year 1 Team

