



# Ecclesbourne Primary School

## Newsletter Friday 8th September 2023



### Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very hot start to the term but it has been lovely to have all the children back in school. All the children have settled in well to their new classes and made a good start to the year. It has also been lovely to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children who already feel part of our school community. This term, we hope to offer many events where parents can engage with the school including parents' curriculum meetings, reading cafes, class assemblies and parents' evening. Please see the dates listed below. Next week, you will receive a newsletter from the teachers about the sorts of things your child will be studying this term but if you can't find it, they will all be posted on the website under newsletters. The website is the best place to find information about upcoming events and to catch up with news stories so make sure you check in occasionally at [www.pegasusacademytrust.org](http://www.pegasusacademytrust.org). Alternatively, if you have any questions or queries, just ask your class teacher. They will always be happy to help.

**Revised Behaviour Policy** Over the past few months, we have been developing our behaviour systems and policy. Our new policy, largely based upon the work of behaviour specialist Paul Dix, has a child-centred approach to the promotion of positive behaviour. In classes, children discuss the 'Terrific Trio' with their teacher and peers: **kind thoughts, kind words, kind actions**. The 'Terrific Trio' supports children in their endeavours to be a Pegasus person. On the rare occasion that a child's behaviour falls below the expected standard, staff at Pegasus will use a staged intervention involving reminders, reflection time and 'Time In' (restorative conversation) to explore and resolve the issue. **We will no longer be using sunshine charts and your child will not receive a stamp at the end of each day.** A copy of the revised behaviour policy is available on the Pegasus Academy website: <https://www.pegasusacademytrust.org/media/PAT-behaviour-policy-Sept-2023.pdf>

**The Felix Project** For those new to the school, and as a reminder to others, on Wednesdays we have a free 'shop'. Each week, we are given a selection of produce from a charity called The Felix Project. This is generally surplus produce from supermarkets or vegetables from growers. We then redistribute this for free. We never know what we are going to get but all are welcome to come and help themselves. All we ask is that you are mindful of only taking what you need so that we can help as many as possible and that you remember to bring a carrier bag so that we don't have to issue environmentally damaging plastic bags.

### Dates for the diary

**Wednesday 20th September** - Year 4 Multiplication Test Check Meeting at 9.15am

**Wednesday 20th September** - Reception Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am

**Friday 22nd September** - Jeans for Genes day. Children wear denim to school

**Tuesday 26th September** - Year 2 Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am

**Wednesday 27th September** - Year 1 Curriculum Meeting at 9.15am

**Friday 29th September** - McMillan Coffee Morning for parents/ carers at 9.15am

**Friday 6th October** - Mars Class Assembly 9.15am

**Monday 9th October/ Wednesday 11th October** - Parents' evenings

**Friday 13th October** - Jupiter Class Assembly & Harvest Assembly 9.15am

**Tuesday 17th October** - Reading Café Nursery at 2.30pm

**Wednesday 17th October** - Reading Café Reception at 2.30pm

**Friday 20th October** - End of half term

**Wednesday 1st November** - Return to school

Future dates

**Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December** - KS2 Christmas Production

**Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th December** - KS1 Nativity

**Tuesday 19th December** - Nursery Christmas Performance

**Wednesday 20th December** - Reception Christmas Performance

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