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Monthly Newsletter



A message from Rebecca Meredith



The days are certainly colder as we head into December! It's safe to say that the glitter season is once again upon us - how exciting it is to work with young children at this very special time of year! I always look forward to seeing your festive performances and looking at the photographs on our social media pages – all those angels, shepherds, wise men and donkeys! This month, I'm also looking forward to the Transform Winter Performing Arts Festival on 18th December – I'm sure the children involved are hard at work practising their singing! On a different note, following feedback from our annual staff survey, we are looking at how to improve communication across the Trust. You may have noticed TV screens being installed in some staff rooms. We will be trialling a new and exciting communication tool. Watch this space for updates coming very soon! Hope you all have a fantastic, (yet very busy) pre-Christmas rest of the term, and however you celebrate the festive season, may you have a wonderful time.

Children's Parliament meet at Jigsaw24

This month, Children's Parliament had a wonderful opportunity to explore and work at Jigsaw24. The pupils had the chance to discuss areas in their schools which they want to work on, from waste management to bug hotels. Conversations between different schools were flowing and enabled the pupils to consider ideas they may not have thought of before. Discussions of what makes a leader and how they are leaders generated fabulous ideas and highlights the drive and compassion these children have for their schools. We cannot wait to see what they complete in the year to come!



Stories of the month

George Whitehead beats Leukaemia

George Whitehead, of South Wilford Endowed CE Primary School, has fought Leukaemia and had the amazing opportunity to ring the bell this month to symbolise that he had won the fight. We are so happy for George and his family at this time. His parents emailed his headteacher saying the following, "George loves going to school so much and we love seeing him thriving in an environment that makes him feel safe and comfortable and have made every effort to make his school journey as normal as it can be. So, we just wanted to say a massive thank you."



Edale Rise celebrates devoted staff member

Kath has recently celebrated her 70th birthday and is currently in her 40th year working at Edale Rise. She was nominated for the Unison Lifetime Achievement award by a colleague and won! She was presented with her award in a special assembly.

It was calculated that she has nearly served a million meals to the children in her career! The children and staff are grateful for the hard work Kath and her team showcase on a daily basis Being a 'hidden hero' is incredible and we relish times like these when we are able to celebrate our loved members of staff.





Lawn Primary School

The pupils of Lawn Primary School had the pleasure of Pauline Latham MP visiting their school. She spoke to KS2 about her role and the impact pupil voice can have in their community. Some great questions were asked to the MP from their own Parliament children.

Anti-Bullying Week

Schools across the Transform Trust family have been uniting together to bring awareness to Anti-Bullying Week. Schools were wearing odd socks to celebrate their differences! Schools were learning all about the impact of bullying and cyberbullying and reminding themselves what to do and where to go if they felt like they were being bullied.





Abbeyhill Primary School and Nursery

The Abbeyhillians were delighted to welcome Mansfield Town Football Club Community Trust to celebrate their 50:50 Penalty Shoot Out. The staff wanted to say a huge well done and thank you to our Abbeyhillians for your support and camaraderie. A big thank you to the Mansfield Town Football Club Community Trust for all their work with Abbeyhill this year.

Pear Tree Community Primary School

Derby City Police Officers visited the Mini Police at Pear Tree Junior School to deliver input on county lines. In the United Kingdom, the county lines drug supply model is the practice of trafficking drugs into rural areas and smaller towns, across county lines. Being a part of the Mini Police helps to build their confidence and instills why they should be ready, respectful, and responsible in their communities and at school. Well done Mini Police!





Bagthorpe Primary School and Bulwell St. Mary's Primary and Nursery School

Friendships are being formed between Bulwell St. Mary's and Bagthorpe Primary this month. Year 4 from Bulwell St. Mary's swapped their school environment with the Year 1 and 2 pupils from Bagthorpe. Year 6s from both schools were great hosts and lots of new happy memories were made!

South Wilford CofE Primary School

A new Aldi opened its doors to customers, with ParalympicsGB swimming hero Tully Kearney cutting the all-important red ribbon alongside pupils from South Wilford Primary School. She then delivered an inspirational assembly for pupils to discuss healthy foods, her journey as a Paralympian, and much more! The children were tasked with creating a poster to show what healthy eating means to them for a chance to win a £20 voucher.

Transform Applied

At Transform Applied this month, subject leaders from across the trust came together to explore their roles and how they can be at their best. Such rich conversations were had and quality takeaways for everyone to reflect on.





Education news updates

Education news:

Ask Andy Podcast: Stress and Trauma in Children

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The multi-agency response to children and families who need

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