



HEADLINE NEWS



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A message from our CEO, Rebecca Meredith



The last Headlines of the year! It's hard to believe that another academic year has come to an end, another Transform rollercoaster of a year – but would we have it any other way? Collectively we have found new ways to show our love and live out our Transform values. We've found pockets of joy and overcome challenges with our school communities to cross the finish line together (admittedly on different days!) We have warmly welcomed new schools to the family.

I genuinely hope you have a restful and enjoyable summer break. Summer is a great time to reflect and make adjustments for the year ahead. As I look back over the last academic year, I am proud of what Transform has accomplished, our professionalism as a staff, and most importantly, our collective commitment to doing our best for every child, every day. The Transform family are a fantastic team! #TogetherWeAchieve

Stories of the month

Derby and Derbyshire schools' Children's Celebration Awards

On Tuesday 9th July, 60 children from across our Derbyshire schools were joined by their families, teachers, governors, trustees, VIPs and staff members, once again, for our annual Children's Celebrations awards at the Derby Cricket Ground. Everyone in attendance provided a great sense of warmth and happiness throughout the event. 'Songbirds', Brierley Forest's choir, gave a heart-warming rendition of 'We're Learning' to start the event. Rebecca Meredith welcomed each award-winner onto the stage to collect their medals and certificates. This year's special Superhero Awards were presented to Skye Mae from Breadsall Hill Top, Scarlet and Beatrice from Ravensdale and Leon from Abbey Hill.



Nottingham schools' Children's Celebration Awards

On Friday 19th July, we recognised the achievements of our wonderful children across all our Nottinghamshire schools. Parents, carers, governors, staff and children came together at the beautiful Colwick Hall Hotel to proudly celebrate the phenomenal effort their children have put in this year.

We were also fortunate to host BBC Radio Nottingham at the event who interviewed some of our bright stars, their parents and our staff. It was wonderful to hear our Transform Trust family on the radio and to listen to Sneinton's choir beautifully singing 'I Smile', by Kirk Franklin. This year's special Superhero Awards were presented to Hollie from Bulwell St Mary's, Shizah from Edale Rise, Freya from Highbank and Precious from Sneinton.



Transform Trust Celebrating Staff Awards

After enjoying the triumphs of our amazing children, it was time to thank the wonderful staff from across the trust who helped to make this year a success.

Over 500 Transform Trust leaders, teachers, TAs, as well as office, midday, kitchen, estates, finance and support staff were treated to a fun night together where each school team received an award for their particular achievement this academic year.

Thanks again to our generous sponsors Aquinas Education who made this event possible.





Edale Rise Primary and Nursery School

Children at Edale had chance to demonstrate their performing skills at the Edale Rise Got Talent showcase. The entrants displayed a variety of skills ranging from Ju-jitsu to art, dancing to presenting. Their overall winner was an up-and-coming singer-songwriter who sang and played her guitar. All of the brave performers raised a fantastic £239 for their chosen charity Cancer Research.

Sneinton St Stephen's Primary School

Every class at Sneinton Primary was turned into an immersive story world overnight for their Reading Festival this year, with castles, carnivals, camping, Charlie Bucket's bedroom and even the Twits' whole room recreated upside down! Everyone enjoyed book activities, lots of reading for pleasure, and celebrating with families at the fair.



Whitegate Primary School

Community Action Week may be over, but this didn't stop Whitegate's Year 5 team heading to Lidl and Morrisons to purchase donations for Clifton Hope Centre Food Bank. They managed to fill their donation box and raised over £1,000 to support their amazing work.

Highbank Primary School

During this month, children at Highbank Primary engaged in an array of sports for their Sports Week. Children from all classes were able to try new and different sports such as archery, basketball or missile throwing. Parents and carers also had the opportunity to come and watch the children compete in their sports day and witness future athletes in the making.



Ravensdale Junior School

Ravensdale's community celebrated its 60th anniversary on Sunday 7th July with a 'Proper Old School Summer Fair'. The event included traditional games, entertainment and a 'Memory Lane' exhibition. It raised over £2,200 for sensory provision and the school's forest school initiative. The children actively participated in planning and fundraising, with some selling bracelets via their own stalls, and many taking part in a 5k run that raised £760 for charity.



Transform Applied

A few weeks ago, Transform Applied hosted an expert-led Digital PLC session to help trust staff learn together. Attendees described it as a "brilliant day" with "innovative ideas". You can access all of the Transform Applied resources for next term and beyond [here](#).



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