



The Trent-Rylands Federation



Trent Vale Infant and Nursery School *and* Beeston Rylands Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter break. We hope you have had a lovely relaxing time over Easter and that you have had lots of family time.

It was great to see so many of you attend parents evening. Having the opportunity to talk about how your child is getting on and looking at their work is invaluable.

We can't believe there is only one term to go before all of your children move on to the next academic year. Time is passing very quickly with staff and children working very hard to fulfil the teaching and learning of the curriculum. We are constantly looking for opportunities to take our learning outside across both the infants and juniors and strive to keep giving the children real life, practical experiences.

A Big Thank You

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the parents groups across both schools. We can see a real drive to giving the children fun activities whilst also raising money that we can put back into experiences for the children. We really appreciate all of your hard work and commitment to the schools.

Baby Club Reminder

Baby Club at Trent Vale every Tuesday from 2pm – 3pm. All parents and their pre-school children, are welcome.

Art competition

Congratulations to Heison, Ella, Rhys, Yu Chit, Millie and Maria from Trent Vale who all won a prize in the Tesco Easter art competition. Their amazing work was displayed over Easter at Tesco in Beeston.

Dropping off and Picking Up at Trent Vale

It is always busy at drop off and pick up times on the school playground. It can also be quite a squeeze through the gate in to the nursery garden and we thank you for your patience at these times. As the nursery will be spending more time in their garden as the weather improves (fingers crossed), we are hoping to set out more resources in the morning prior to the children coming to school. We would therefore appreciate it, if everyone walked along the path rather than cutting across the play area. It's also important that children walk with their scooters and bikes on the playground, rather than ride on them. It is so busy and we don't want anyone to get hurt.

Parent's information Session on Developing Oracy for Young Children.

Developing spoken and understood language in young children is very important for ensuring later academic success. Miss Bromberger and Mrs Mason have worked together to produce a presentation for parents of Nursery children to help with this. We had planned to deliver this session on Tuesday 16th April,

however unfortunately we didn't have a great deal of parental uptake. We have therefore decided postpone this session with a view to rescheduling the date for later in the term.

Communication

We have been made aware that both schools have some work to do to improve communication. We know that at times information can be sent to you with little notice or that there can be mixed messages from an original e mail sent by the office to communication sent via the class teacher. We are also aware that it is difficult to keep going back and forth opening up various emails and text messages. We have been meeting with various different companies to ensure that we work with a system that pulls everything into one place. Both schools will be choosing the same communication tool in order to make sure that everything is in one place. This will be taking place in the coming weeks.

We will let you know as soon as possible which platform suits the schools best and will encourage you to download and engage with an app that will make communicating with you better and simpler.

Trent Vale Guinea Pig Day

The school council at Trent Vale have arranged a Guinea Pig Day on Friday 19th April. We are hoping to raise £100 to buy a large run for our guinea pigs to live in. Children can come dressed in their own clothes or dressed as a guinea pig! We will be having a cake sale after school. Please could you send any donations to school either on the Thursday or Friday morning. Cakes will be 50p each.

Staffing - Juniors

We would like to say a huge welcome to Mrs Barnes who will be joining us in Ash class on a Thursday and Friday. She has had time in school before the Easter holiday getting to know your children and the staff. She is definitely ready and raring to go.

Attendance

We are really proud of all the families who are able to get their children to school on time and whose attendance is constantly high. Please see below the overall attendance so far for this academic year.

Overall attendance at **BRJS**:

Autumn 1 2023: 95%

Autumn 2 2023: 96%

Spring 1 2024: 95%

Spring 2 2024: 95%

Overall attendance at **TV**:

Autumn 1 2023: 95%

Autumn 2 2023: 94%

Spring 1 2024: 95 %

Spring 2 2024: 95%

Kind regards

Catherine Turner and Janine Barratt

Headteachers

Diary Dates Summer 2024

APRIL

Tues 16 th April	Oracy meeting at TV - 9am- postponed – will be rescheduled.
Wed 17 th April	Dental check for 5 year olds – letter already sent to eligible children
Fri 19 th April TV	Guinea Pig Day and Cake Sale
Fri 19 th April BRJS	The Big Rylands Sleep out 2024 (fund raising for homeless charities)
Thurs 25 th April	Maths workshops for parents BRJS (x5 weeks)
Fri 26 th April	Fashion Show 7pm at TV (tickets still on sale in TV school office)

MAY

Weds 1 st May	Year 3 and 4 visit to Cadbury World
Fri 3 rd May	TV School Disco for Reception, Y1 and Y2 (tickets on sale from next Mon 22nd)
Mon 6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday

Mon 13th May to Thu 16th May 2024. Over this period, Year 6 children will sit 6 different tests and it is vital that your child attends on all of these dates.

Thursday 16 th May	Parents Year 2 Residential Meeting in school 3.30 pm – details to follow.
Tues 21 st May	Family of Schools dance festival at TV – details to follow.

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May HALF TERM AND Monday 3rd June INSET DAY (1 week & 1 day)

JUNE

Tues 4th June	Children return to school
Tues 11 th June	BRJS Class photos
Fri 14 th June	BRJS whole school – Halle Orchestra trip
Mon 17 th June	Healthy Living Week
Tues 18 th June	Nursery trip to Bluebell Dairy
Wed 19 th June	TV & BRJS Singing Festival at John Clifford. This is an in school event.
Sun 23 rd June	Summer Celebration at Canalside Heritage Centre (school choir)
Wed 26 th June - Fri 28 th June 2024 - Y2 Residential	
Wed 26 th June BRJS	e-safety meeting for parents (6-7pm)

JULY

W/c Mon 1 st July	Y6 cycle training
Mon 8 th July	Year 5 taster day at Chilwell
Weds 10 th July	Whole school federation transition day inc Year 6 at Chilwell
Thurs 11 th July	Whole school federation transition day inc Year 6 at Chilwell
Fri 12 th July	Year 6 transition day at Chilwell
Sat 13 th July	TV Summer Fair 11am – 2pm
Fri 26 th July	Last day of term

Tues 3rd September Children return to school