

Friday 16th September 2016



Dear Parents and Carers,

This year we are having a whole school focus on improving pupil progress and attainment in Reading. To support this we have purchased individual pupil reading logs. They are being sent home today. Please return them to school each day, along with pupil home school communication books. Inside there are a range of ideas of how to support your child with reading at a level appropriate to them. Next Term we will host a workshop of how to support your child with reading and what reading looks like for our more complex pupils. In addition, some pupils will receive a login for Lexia (an online reading programme that they can access from home). The priority for logins will be given to pupils in receipt of pupil premium and those needing extra support in reading, with a view to rolling it out across the whole school later this year.

If you have any questions/queries, then please do not hesitate to contact kari.anson@tettenhallwoodschoo.org.uk

Butterflies Class

Butterflies have been working together and building friends. They have made a class celebration box and enjoyed swimming and PE lesson.

General Consent Forms

For those parents that have received another form to complete and return to school, could you please ensure we receive this by Monday so that we have the most up to date information about your child. Thank you!

Kingfishers Class

DoJo – for those parents with technology, a reminder to parents to download DoJo as an APP so they can view photos and videos of their child's learning.

Parent/Carer Coffee Mornings

Dates for the Coffee Mornings are being sent home with your child today.



***Please make sure that, if you haven't already, send in PE kits, swimwear & Forest School clothing (including wellies) as soon as possible.
Please also make sure that all items are labelled with your child's name.***

Family Liaison Officer

I would like to introduce myself, my name is Melanie Heywood and I am the newly appointed Family Liaison Officer.



My previous job role was a Teaching Assistant here at Tettenhall Wood School.

I am a parent of 3 children, and my youngest son, aged 12, has Autism and attends Tettenhall Wood. As a parent you go through many obstacles and your journey never seems to end with countless appointments, meetings, and sleepless nights!

I hope I will make life a little easier, knowing I have been there and you are able to have someone to talk to and support you when and as needed. If not, just for a chat!

My role is to provide an effective and complimentary support service which addresses the needs of students and helps them raise their levels of attainment through engagement and attendance and support families to overcome barriers which may impact on their child's education and home life.

My role will be:

- To act as a first point of contact for families;
- Provide advice and support to families, and promote parent/school partnership;
- Support families by promoting links between home, school, and other relevant agencies;
- Liaise and signpost families to relevant agencies who may be experiencing health, emotional, social or behavioural difficulties;
- Support families with booking appointments, attending meetings, completing forms, etc.;
- Support 'vulnerable' and 'at risk' children;
- Help complete the "Your Journey" part of the Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP);
- Facilitate workshops and parent/carer coffee mornings;
- Promote our family support services provided by school;
- Safeguarding children.

As part of one of the school's Core Values "keeping the child at the centre" my work will promote this at all times.

I will be sending out the dates and times for the parent/carer workshops, which will help support you and your child.

I will be doing a 'Meet and Greet' at the Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday 29th September 2016, hope to see you all there!

If you have any queries, or would like a chat, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01902 55796 or alternatively email me on melanie.heywood@tettenhallwoodschoool.org.uk

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