



# Pye Green Academy News

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Week Commencing 10th September 2018 will be  
**Lunch Menu Week 2**

## Welcome Back to Academic Year 2018 - 2019.

After an unusually hot, British summer we welcome back all the children to a new class and for some children a new school.

As you know Miss Tonkinson is currently off school due to ill health, we wish her a speedy recovery, and Mr. Barker will be acting as Interim Headteacher until she returns.

There are new children in Nursery and Reception. Welcome to Pye Green Academy! Also we have two new members of teaching staff, Mr. Perry in Year 6 and Mrs. Walkington in Year 5.

It has been a really good start to the year and children have settled into their new classes amazingly well.

Staff have been on the playground for you to say hello to at the end of day so you know who they are.

There will be some exciting events planned for your children and hopefully you can attend some of them and join in with us.

### The Senior Leadership Team 2018-2019

**Headteacher**

**Interim Headteacher**

**Deputy Headteacher /Senco and Leader of Learning Y5 and Y6**

**Leader of Learning EYFS and Year 1**

**Leader of Learning Year 2, 3 and 4**

Miss R Tonkinson

Mr S Barker

Mrs Yates

Miss E Fitzpatrick

Miss L Edkins

### Introducing Myself

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to introduce myself as new Interim Headteacher of Pye Green Academy and say hello.

To tell you a little about myself. I've been married for 19 years to Catherine and have 2 children. My eldest, Heather 15, is in her final year at secondary school, and my youngest, Aidan 12, is starting Year 8. I also have a Scottish Terrier called Holly, she is 7. I have lived in Staffordshire most of my life and I appreciate being a parent is exciting and difficult too.

Professionally, I have been a Headteacher in three other primary schools in Stafford, Cheslyn Hay and Penkridge. I have also been a Deputy Head and began my career in Wombourne.

As you are aware I was appointed at the start of September because of ill health to our Headteacher. I wish her a speedy recovery! I have met with staff to ensure we are ready for this term and to prepare your children for the future. I strongly believe that all your children can do amazing things and it is our job to ensure they reach their potential. I am really looking forward to meeting you all at some point. And as you are the most important part of a child's life, I look forward to your support to make sure your child gets the best education possible.

I would like to spend time this month getting to know the school community and I intend to listen, understand and reach for the stars and dreams of Pye Green's future.

Regards

Simon Barker

## Staff team 2018 - 2019

Year Group	Teacher	Teaching Assistants
NURSERY		Mrs Shaw Mrs Downing
RECEPTION	Mrs Dudley/Mrs Orr	Miss Hall Ms Allen Mrs Lufflum
	Miss Raba	
YEAR 1	Miss Fitzpatrick	Mrs Baker    Mrs Wood Mrs Samuels Mrs Garbett
	Miss Edkins	
YEAR 2	Mrs Dowson	Mrs Ryles Mrs Hall Mrs Jones
	Mrs Hatton	
	Miss Raybould	
YEAR 3	Mrs Barrott	Mrs Haynes Mrs Hammonds
	Miss Brickley	
YEAR 4	Mr Nugent	Mrs Hammonds
	Miss Beere	
YEAR 5	Mrs Walkington	Mrs Langley
	Miss Crayston	
YEAR 6	Mrs Stephenson    Mr Perry	Mrs Thomas    Mrs Baker Mrs Carter    Miss Reed
	Ms Egan	
Working across school	Mrs Butlin	
	Mrs Truby	
Deputy Headteacher	Mrs Yates	
Headteacher	Miss Tonkinson	
Interim Headteacher	Mr Barker	

## Photos of our newly refurbished toilets in Key Stage 2.

We were delighted to open our uni-sex toilets in Key stage 2 to our children this week. They have been a great success. Please see our photos below.



## Dates for Your Diaries

Agreed INSET days are as follows for the academic year:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 - Completed.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019.

School will be closed to children on the above days.

### Parents Evenings

13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November. 3:30 - 6:30pm.

### Christmas Performances

Key Stage 2 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of December.

EYFS and KS1 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December.

Time of events will be in our future newsletters.

## PE and jewellery

Please be aware we have been informed that at a County Level it has been made very clear that children **must not** wear any type of jewellery for PE lessons and they **should also not** cover them with plasters. We will be enforcing this ruling across school for all pupils from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September. Ideally please remove earrings completely for days the children have PE or ensure they can remove them themselves. Staff will not be able to remove earrings for children.

## Uniform

Children have returned to school looking very smart – thank you for adhering to our uniform policy. Please ensure all items of clothing are carefully labelled. Please be aware that from next week, staff will be asking children to write their names on clothing labels if this has not already been done.

## Contacts

Please be aware we will send out all communications via text, where possible, or via our newsletter. If you have not provided a current telephone number or e-mail please do so. It is therefore vital you give your details to the office via the contact forms.

If you do not provide a current e-mail address then you may miss out on dates, events and important information for your child.

Please also be aware to be able to send you texts and emails we need a signed permission form (see below) If you are not receiving texts/emails please complete the slip and return.

## Pye Green Academy Text Messaging/Newsletters

Please complete the information below and return to school as soon as possible

I would like to, and agree to receiving Text Messages from Pye Green Academy

I would like to, and agree to receiving emails from Pye Green Academy

I accept information may be sent via text or email regarding future events e.g. PTFA

Child's name ..... Class.....

Signed ..... Relationship to child .....

Print name ..... Date .....

## First Day Absence Call System



For the protection of all of our children we have a first day call system for absences.

If a child fails to turn up for school and we haven't received a letter or phone call from the parent/carer advising us of the reason for the absence, we will text or telephone the parents to check on the whereabouts of the child.

This system will help prevent a situation where the parents think a child is at school, and the school thinks the child is at home.

To enable the system to work, please contact the school either by telephone or in writing if your child is going to be absent from school. If your child is going to be absent for a number of days, please let us know at the time of initial contact, this will save you contacting us each day of the absence.

If we are unable to make contact with parents/carers we will contact the Educational Welfare Officer to ensure the safety of the child. Many thanks for your cooperation with this system.

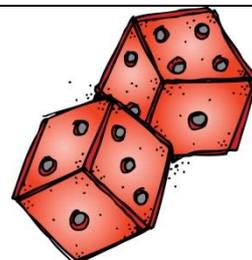
The school office can be an extremely busy place, especially during early morning, when absence calls need to be made. We do have an answer machine for you to leave a brief message, or alternatively you can email the office



([office1@pyegreen.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office1@pyegreen.staffs.sch.uk)) to let us know about your child's absence.

## Family Maths Games

Thank you for taking part. Can you please send every maths game with all of the parts back to school please as soon as possible for any lost games there will be charge of £5.



## Dinner Money



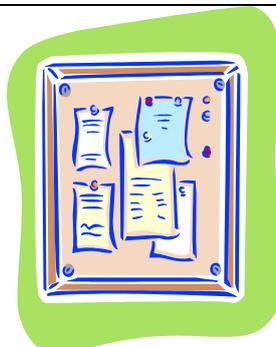
Reminder School dinners for Year 3 – Year 6 are **£2.20 per meal**

As we no longer accept cash or cheques into school to pay for school dinners, payments should be made through our on line banking system parent pay, if you have not received an activation letter please contact the school office. If you prefer to pay in cash then this can be done at local retailers by using a barcoded letter.

## Celebration Assembly



*The first Celebration assembly of the year is for  
Years 1 and 2  
on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018*



From time to time, we place a notice in the newsletter or have on display in reception information from external organisations who ask that we make parents aware of their services.

Although every effort is made to ensure that such organisations have been checked and approved, parents need to be aware that the use of these organisations will be at their own risk. If you do have a particular concern with any distribution materials please contact the school office.

## Disabled Parking Bays

On the school car park are two disabled parking spaces. They are essential for some of our families as it allows them to access school safely and easily.



Please be considerate when parking on the school car park and keep the bays free for families who need to use them.

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**Pye Green Academy**  
**School Terms and Holiday Dates 2018/19**

**Autumn Term 2018**

**Inset Day:** Monday 3 September  
**Term starts:** Tuesday 4 September  
**Inset Day** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October **(Closed to pupils)**  
**Holiday:** Monday 29 October - Friday 2 November  
**Term ends:** Friday 21 December  
**Holiday:** Monday 24 December - Friday 4 January

**Spring Term 2019**

**Inset Day:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January **(Closed to pupils)**  
**Term starts:** Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January for Pupils  
**Half term:** Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February  
**Term ends:** Friday 12 April  
**Holiday:** Monday 15 April - Friday 26 April  
**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 21 April

**Summer Term 2019**

**Term starts:** Monday 29 April  
**May Day:** Monday 6 May  
**Half term:** Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May  
**Inset Day:** Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June **(Closed to pupils)**  
**Term ends:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July for Pupils  
**Inset Day:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July **(Closed to pupils)**  
**Holiday:** Tuesday 23 July - Friday 30 August

## **ACTING & MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES FOR BOYS & GIRLS WITH TREAD**

Dear Parents and Carers;

Tread was founded by professional actors Graham Tudor (West End Leading Actor) and Helen Noble (Channel 4's Hollyoaks) and has developed into one of the North West's leading Theatre schools for young performers. Tread offers high quality training in the Performing Arts and students have enjoyed huge success within Television, Film and Theatre as a result of their commitment.

The 1.5 hour after-school club is [from 3:30pm-5.00pm](#) every Monday

during term time and is now open for children to join. Tread's workshops do not involve technical dance and appeal to all ages and abilities. Tread's classes are proven to increase fitness, confidence and concentration as well as being loads of fun.

Sessions are run by our team of actors who have experience in professional theatre productions.

To enrol please visit the following

link <http://www.treadproductions.net/registration/> before Friday 14th September. Sessions are £6 and are paid termly.

We do have limited places at our classes. Places are available on a first come first serve basis due to the high level interest in this after-school club.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,

The Tread Team

**Email:** [info@treadproductions.net](mailto:info@treadproductions.net)

[www.treadproductions.net](http://www.treadproductions.net)



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*treaders*

*Musical theatre  
dance & drama*

Classes for 4-10 year olds

led by professional  
actors from stage and  
TV...

Contact us for  
more information

South Liverpool &  
Staffordshire  
*available now*

Graham Tudor

Creative Director

[www.treadproductions.net](http://www.treadproductions.net)

07739289995

Upcoming Shows:

[https://boxoffice.wlct.org/select\\_seats.aspx?perfid=1268](https://boxoffice.wlct.org/select_seats.aspx?perfid=1268)

<https://www.epsteinliverpool.co.uk/events/brothers-beyond-celebrating-50-years-of-joseph-and-the-amazing-technicolor-dreamcoat/>

'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves' -Coming Dec 18/Jan 19'.

**Lunchtime Menu Week Two**  
**Week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

	Main meal...	On the side...	For Dessert...
Monday	 Chicken and Tomato Pasta	Carrots Sweetcorn Salad Selection	Rice Crispy Slice with Custard
	 Homemade Wholemeal Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Half Jacket Potato ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Cheese		
Tuesday	 Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	Green Beans Cauliflower Salad Selection	Lemon Drizzle Cake With Custard
	 Quorn Sausage with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Tuna Mayo		
Wednesday	 Roast of the Day with Stuffing Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Peas Carrots Salad Selection	Jelly with Mandarins
	 Quorn Roast with Stuffing Roast potatoes and Gravy ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Ham		
Thursday	 Chicken Tikka with Wholegrain Rice	Green Beans Sweetcorn Salad Selection	Marble Cake with Custard
	 Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Bake ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection Turkey		
Friday	 Fish with chips and Tomato Sauce	Baked beans Peas Salad Selection	Crunchie Oaty Bites with Apple Wedges
	 Bean Bake with Chips and Tomato Sauce ✓		
	 Jacket Potato with Filling		
	 Sandwich Selection cheese		

**Available every day: Fresh salad bar, fresh fruit, yoghurt**