



Exceeding expectations, raising aspirations...

Dear all,

Welcome back to another year and I'd like to extend a warm welcome to our new pupils and parents; we have the largest intake in to Reception yet. It's always wonderful to see the children settle in to their new classes and see them excited about their learning.

Over the summer the staff have been busy beavering away to get classrooms ready. This year we will see more team teaching, as Mr Wray and Mrs Goodall have stepped up to strengthen the teaching and learning. The Early years team have worked on transforming the outdoor areas, which the children absolutely love. Last week seeing chalk drawings all over the playground and the children becoming horse riders was a joy. At one point I thought the 'Grand National' was happening right in front of my eyes.

Lots has been happening during the summer break and the school is looking even better. I hope you've had chance to see some of the transformations on our Facebook page. I can't believe the difference just re-tarmacing around the dining hall and re-pairing the hall floor has made.

This week's installation of the tree stump to create a tunnel and climbing frame, was a hit with ALL ages! This year we would like to invest even more in play equipment for playtimes and lunchtimes, using natural materials and recycled objects to make the most of our fantastic site.

We will continue to use 'Parent Pay' to make paying for lunches, trips etc easier and 'Parent Hub' and 'Facebook' to communicate and celebrate the learning across school.



The newsletter will go out the first Friday of every month, from next month, and will be sent via Parent Hub, with a few copies in all classes. Mrs Taylor has us on a mission this year to reduce our waste, rightly so. If you need any more information please do not hesitate to drop us a line or call in at the office.

Regards
Clare Peat



Parking.

We hadn't realised how many people need car parking spaces. Over the next few weeks we will be monitoring the amount of cars and seeing if we can improve parking for all.

With this in mind please can everyone make sure if they are driving on to the school site it is at a very slow speed for the safety of children and can parents and children be extra careful not to walk through the car parks. Thank you.

Behaviour outside of school.



Sadly we've had a few reports of anti-social behaviour outside of school. I was shocked to hear that this has been from some children who attend Castle View.

Any unacceptable behaviour in or OUT of school will not be tolerated.

Sanctions in school will be used to address this and in some cases this may lead to permanent exclusion.

The Friends of Castle View

They are busy planning events for your children to enjoy and have already set some dates and events! Thank you to all of you that help organise, support in attending and giving generously; it makes such a difference to each and every trip/visit we do, as well as enables us to invest in resources for school. Each and every penny counts! A new event this year is the addition of a Film night, with popcorn, PJs and chance to chill with cushions and blankets in front of a real 'feel good' film in the winter months. If you'd like to be part of the Friends of Castle View, but don't know who to ask, let us know and we'll introduce you—ALL are welcome and any time is very much appreciated.

Halloween Disco—Wednesday 23rd October 5-6 (Reception, Year 1 and 2) and 6.15-7.15 (Year 3-6)

Christmas Fair—Friday 30th November 3.30-5.00

Film night—Wednesday 15th January 3.30-5.30

Feb Feb Disco—Friday 15th 5.00-6.00

More to come over the year...



Progressive sports are joining us on a Thursday and Friday, in Key Stage 2, up until Christmas.

They will be working in classes with the aim of getting the children as active as possible and will be supporting play at lunchtimes too (so can you please make sure they have a P.E. kit in school, thank you). On a Monday evening 3.30-4.30 they are also hosting an Archery and Fencing club at the cost of £3.00 per session. There are still some spaces, so please ask at the office if your child would like to join.

Did you know we are 20 years old?

Last year as part of 'enrichment' Year 3s and 4s visited the records office and began a study in to Castle View's history. It turns out that this month 'Castle View Primary School' is 20 years old, but needless to say that's not the whole story! The children found out all about the origins of the school and Derbyshire records office have produced a booklet on the history of our school. Here's a snap shot...but to find out more the full booklet with some of the original maps and attendance registers are in the main building, along with some of the children's work. Please pop in and have a look.

School Timeline

1873	
6 Jan	British School opened on Lime Tree Lane
1895	
12 Sep	First meeting of the new Matlock School Board. They take responsibility for the British School from 1 Oct 1895 and it is to be free to attend
31 Oct	School Board re-appointed Mr Edwin Davis as the Head, with Assistants Miss Hilda Grimes and Miss E Bridge; his wife Alice is appointed as the Sewing Mistress. Miss Elizabeth Beck appointed Infant Mistress with Assistants Miss A Willetts and Jane Beck as pupil teacher.
Nov	Purchase of plot of land at East End of Smedley Street (being the most suitable site for the new Board School) from Joseph Hutchinson for £470,
19 Dec	Resignation of Elizabeth Beck as Infants Mistress
1896	
1 Feb	Helen Edmeston becomes new Infants Head Mistress
30 Jan	Appointment of James Turner as architect for the new school
1897	
23 Sep	Official opening of the new school (Infants had actually moved in 23 Aug and the remaining pupils on 20 Sep)
1899	
26 Oct	Planning begins for a new infants school for 250 children
1901	
8 Jan	Opening of the new Infants School building
1903	
1 Oct	School Boards are abolished; the school becomes Matlock Council School
1904	
28 Nov	"Free Dinner Fund" established for provision of cheap or free school meals for the poorest children, funded by subscriptions (i.e. donations) from the school managers and others in the town. Between 30 Nov and 20 Dec, over 1000 dinners supplied for free, and over 2000 by March
1907	
3 May	Retirement of Edwin Davis as Headmaster after over 34 years'
6 May	James Arthur Mills starts as the new Head Master

1908	
21 Sep	Mr Mills re-opens the Evening Continuation School
1911	
22 Feb	Resignation through illness of Helen Edmeston, Infants Head Mistress
11 Mar	Teacher Miss Ettie Ellis promoted to Infants Head Mistress
1913	
Oct	Mixed School re-organised into 8 classes: Juniors, Intermediates, Seniors
1916	
Jan	Mr Baxter is called up for military service (he dies in the war in Aug 1917)
1925	
29 Jan	School renamed Matlocks Council School (to reflect the fact it covers Matlock Bank, Matlock Green, Matlock Bridge, etc.)
1939	
30 Apr	Retirement of Mrs Kate Parrish, Infant Head Mistress. Ruth Calladine was appointed as her replacement, she was Head Mistress until at least 1952
13 Sep	Following the outbreak of the Second World War on 1 Sep, the school premises are adapted for a First Aid Station
1940	
30 Sep	James A Mills retires as Head Master after 33 years 5 months
01 Oct	New Head Master Tom Varnam begins
1942	
Oct	As a result of the "Tanks for Attack" effort, the name of the school is inscribed on one of the two Valentine tanks "named" by Matlock.
1944	
19 Sep	School canteen opened in the Congregational school room, after the establishment of a county-wide school meals service
1945	
3 Sep	Return of Mr Archer after six years' military service and prisoner of war
1946	
Jan	School returned to pre-war condition, some structural changes remained
1952	
Easter	Matlock County Infants and Matlock County Junior Schools established
1999	
Sep	Infants and Junior Schools merge to create Castle View Primary School

Happy Birthday!



Dates for your diaries

September

Wednesday 18th

Year 3 and 4 visit Cromford Mill.

Monday 23rd

Swimming lessons begin for pupils in Year 3 and 4

Thursday 26th

11.00-3.00 Y3/4 and Y5/6 teams attending mini Football event at the Cavendish sports grounds

Monday 30th

Scholastics Book Fair arriving in school.

Tuesday 1st–Fri 4th

Book fair open 8.30-9.00 and 3.30-4.00 in the ICT suite and library.

October

Friday 11th

Language festival day at QEGS, group of children from Castle View attending.

Tuesday 15th

10.00-12.00 Cross country team competing at Lumsdale

3.30-5.30 Parents evening

Wednesday 16th

3.30-5.30 Parents evening

Wednesday 23rd

Halloween Disco 5-6 (Rec and KS1) 6.15-7.15 (KS2)

Friday 25th

School closes to pupils

November

Monday 4th

School opens to pupils

Friday 30th

3.30-5.00 Christmas Fair

December

Tuesday 10th

KS2 Christmas Concert 2.30-3.30 and 5.00-6.00

Thursday 12th

KS1 Performances 2.00-3.00 and 5.00-6.00

Friday 20th

School closes to pupils.





Key Dates 2019/2020

INSET Days

October 25th

June 1st–4th (please note all back in school on Friday the 5th)

Parents evenings

October 15th and 16th

January 21st and 22nd

July 6th Pupil reports to parents

July 8th open evening to discuss reports

Sports Day

July 3rd 1.30–3.30

Bunting Cup

Thursday 21st

We look forward to seeing you.

