

# NEWSLETTER

## September 2021

### Talbot First School



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### Message from Mr Gathercole

What a busy yet wonderful September! It has been lovely to welcome old and new faces back to our Woodlands federation family and I know they have all been working extremely hard.

I need to say a huge thankyou to the FOMS and TSA for monumental efforts in fundraising for the schools already. A hugely successful 'Summer Fair' at Marchington and a incredibly impressive Tractor Run at Kingstone have started the year off with a bang! Thankyou to all involved as the funds raised will make a huge difference to our pupils experience at school (more to come on those places soon....watch this space!) A huge thankyou to all the parent volunteers, we cannot run these events without you.

Mr Peto at St Peters has done a sterling job rallying the troops and putting in a huge amount of his own personal time improving the school grounds, I cannot thank you enough. I understand there is a keen group of people at Talbot that are bursting to come and assist to. Please email the office at either school and we can organise a meeting to get 'Ground Force' team set up and dates booked in diaries as soon as Covid restrictions allow.

Harvest celebrations at both schools went extremely well and it was heartening to see the generous donations that are being donated to the Uttoxeter Food Bank and will help many families that are struggling in the current climate...thankyou

A gentle reminder of the census day "All day breakfast" theme meal coming up on Thursday 7th October.

I hope this newsletter finds you all well.

My very best wishes

Jason Gathercole

### Parent Pay

Please ensure any outstanding debts are cleared off your account before the end of term, If you are struggling to make the payments please speak to the office or Mr Gathercole in confidence



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### Term Dates

Please see the link below for term dates this academic year.

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/termdates.aspx>

### Census Meal Day 7th October Competition

Your child will come home with a paper plate to design their best ever breakfast! It can be whatever their favourite breakfast may be, and can be done in what ever materials they choose.

Please can they be returned to school no later than the 6th October so they can be displayed on the 7th October, when all children are encouraged to have a school lunch on Census day.

Children in reception, years 1 and 2 are all entitled to universal free school meals.

There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize, and we look forward to seeing all the works of art :)

### Library Donations

We are trying to foster a love of reading across the school and would like to request that if possible the children donate a book to the school library when it is their birthday rather than bringing in sweets. Thankyou, Mrs Grocott.

### Dates for the Diary

20th October - Flu Vaccines (consents to follow)

21st October - Halloween Party

22nd October - Inset day

25th - 29th October - Half Term

26th November - Christmas Fair



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### TSA News

The TSA have been busy organising fundraising events - The Halloween Party on the 21st October and Christmas fair on the 26th November, Christmas Shop 3rd December, and Movie night 10th December. More details to follow Covid restrictions permitting.

