



'Aiming High
Together'

Calow Church of England (V.C.) Primary School

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Competition Prize Winners in aid of Local Charity

The Chesterfield and North Derbyshire tinnitus support group was formed in 1986 when a group of people experiencing tinnitus decided to meet on a regular basis to exchange coping ideas and support each other. Tinnitus is the name given to describe the sensation of any sound in the head or ears. In a mild form, tinnitus is extremely common. Almost everyone gets a ringing in the ears after being exposed to very loud sounds, such as at a music concert. The group asked schools to produce a design based on the theme 'what makes us happy'. We are delighted to announce that pupils at Calow Primary were winners and one design will be used for the tinnitus support group's new t-shirt! Prizes and special award certificates were awarded to children by members of the group during their visit to School. Pictured are some of the prize winners with group representatives.



Church News

Thank you to the many parents and grandparents who conveyed positive messages about the School's Easter Service on Maundy Thursday. During the service Father Kevin performed a ceremony linked to the tradition of 'foot washing', although he cleaned the shoes of pupils in the School Council. In the Gospel of Saint John, Jesus washed His disciples' feet during the Last Supper. This has been continued by clergy for centuries. The School is proud of its close association with the St. Peter's Church and is delighted that three representatives of Calow Primary have been invited to meet the Archbishop of Canterbury when he visits Chesterfield in June.

Calow Primary School will be the venue for a Bingo Night in aid of St. Peter's Church, Calow on Thursday 28th April. Doors open at 6.00 p.m. and 'eyes down' for the first game will be 6.30 p.m. This is always a popular evening for adults and children. As well as this promising to be a fun night, it will raise much needed funds for our local church.

Visit from Chesterfield Football Club Players

Calow Primary has a close association with Chesterfield Football Club. Three players from the Club, along with a Director called in for an afternoon. There was a question and answer session for pupils with professional footballers Jake Beasley, Jake Orrell and Laurence McGuire. The children learned about the fitness regime and hard work ethic necessary to be successful in sport. The players even had a go at fencing during coaching with Year Five pupils!

Safeguarding

Keeping our pupils safe is important to us. Calow Primary is in partnership with the Derbyshire Preventing and Tackling Bullying Strategy Group, which listens carefully to the views of children and young people. The group will be meeting our School Council to seek views or ideas relating to bullying or prejudice children may have relating to the community, online or in school. This meeting with members of the School Council is scheduled for 22nd April.

Please check our School website for up to date Safeguarding details including information about the Prevent Strategy, in which schools are required to put in place procedures to combat extremism and radicalisation.

Work being carried out in School

Parents who are on our email system will know that work was carried out in School during the Easter holidays on a number of projects. There has been a new alarm system installed. Work has commenced on a re-wire, which will take the next few weeks. A site meeting has taken place to look at designs for a K.S.1 toilets refurbishment this summer.

Dates for your diary: Parent consultations are taking place on 20th and 21st April (letters have been sent out to parents) School is closed on Monday 2nd May for the May Day Bank Holiday.