



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

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Together'

## Newsletter

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### Battle of Chesterfield Commemoration

An email has been sent to parents outlining the activities taking place on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May to commemorate the anniversary of the Battle of Chesterfield. Staff from School are planning to be in New Square in the town centre at 1.00 p.m. to coincide with the arrival of the Mayor. We will have our special banner proclaiming us as the Guild of Kalehal (the medieval name for Calow). We would be pleased for children and parents to meet us there and be part of our Guild while we await the trial by combat of Robert de Ferrers (one of the nobles who rebelled against the King and was part of the Battle in 1266). You may even wish to come along in medieval costume to the event!



### Travel Smart Week 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May

As part of Travel Smart Week during May 2016, pupils will be 'Making a Monster Move' in Derbyshire County Council's dinosaur themed campaign to encourage active journeys to school by walking, cycling, scooting, riding the bus or by 'Park and Stride'. We promote this initiative at Calow Primary twice a year in the hope that we can encourage pupils to walk to and from school where appropriate. We are always grateful to those who support Travel Smart Week each time.

### Police School Speed Watch

Police from Derbyshire Constabulary have been working alongside local primary schools as part of a campaign to put the brakes on speeding motorists. This initiative was a success when local Police tried the scheme with pupils from Calow Primary last year. Any drivers who were found to be breaking the speed limit on roads, were stopped and given the option of speaking to the youngsters about their speed. The school children had designed their own leaflets to hand over to motorists to raise awareness of the dangers of speeding. Officers are back for three days during week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> May to work alongside pupils from our School in the community. We hope motorists will abide by the speed limit!

### Celebrating Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday

Although The Queen actually became 90 years old this April, the official date for her birthday is 10<sup>th</sup> June. At Calow Primary we will be celebrating by having a birthday party at lunch time. If your child is in Key Stage Two and usually brings a packed lunch, they may wish to have a party lunch that day by sending £2 to School in an envelope marked with their name and labelled 'Queen's party'. There will be games during the afternoon and a 'make a crown' competition. Each child will be presented with a commemorative medallion, thanks to the generosity of Calow Parish Council. In the meantime, children in Key Stage One took part in a competition organised by Chesterfield Borough Council to paint a picture of The Queen. The standard of art work is absolutely amazing so we hope the judges think so too!

### Breakfast Club starting in September

Calow Primary has applied for funding to start a daily breakfast club each morning from September. We have been informed that the application was successful and funding has been allocated. The details of the breakfast club are still to be finalised and agreed by Governors. Further information about start times etc. will be sent to you in the near future.

### PTFA Fashion Show on 25<sup>th</sup> May

Back by popular demand is the Fashion Show organised by the School's PTFA. This a fundraising night to benefit the pupils of Calow Primary but is also an opportunity to purchase bargain ladies' fashions. The show is in the School hall on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, doors open from 6.30 p.m. Tickets are only £3 each available from the School Office.

### Dates for your diary

20<sup>th</sup> May – Year Five pupils taking part in a world record attempt of 'The Big First Aid Lesson'

**School closes at home time on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May and re-opens on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.**