



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

## Newsletter

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Together'

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### Calow Primary Welcomes Master and Mistress Cutler

The Company of Cutlers is an ancient organisation founded in 1629 connected to the metal industry. It stills plays a large part in steel manufacture today. The head of the Company is The Master Cutler, who this year is Mr. Pedder O.B.E. He and his wife (known as The Mistress Cutler) paid a visit to Calow to meet staff and pupils. Children from Years Five and Six took part in a question and answer session with the Master Cutler and learned much about his role. He congratulated the School on its wonderful atmosphere and as a place of learning for all pupils in our care. Pictured: The Master and Mistress Cutler with School Council representatives and the Chair of Governors.



### School Wins Green Flag Award (for the fourth time!)

Following a recent assessment Calow Primary has been informed that it has once again been awarded a Green Flag in recognition of the School's investment in environmental education. The assessor said in his report: 'The support from the Leadership Team and Governors is fantastic, with Eco Schools also part of the School Improvement Plan. The Eco Committee come with ideas that are well thought out and the Leadership team help find ways to make it an even better scheme.' The assessor encouraged Calow Primary to share its good practice with others, particularly those schools who are new to the scheme. Our Committee has already taken part in a conference at Derby University on 11<sup>th</sup> June.

### School Wins Investors in People Award (again!)

The Investors in People standard is a respected stamp of quality worldwide. According to the Investors in People organisation, "our Standard shows your employees you care, it shows your customers you are different and it shows your competitors you've got the edge." A comprehensive assessment was carried out with staff at Calow Primary and the outcome was that Calow Primary had **exceeded** the standard. The assessor also commented that the systems operating at our School placed us in the top 15% of all organisations in the country, including those businesses with worldwide brand names!

### Keeping Our Children Safe

Week commencing Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June is Safety Week. Internet safety is of concern to many parents across the country. We have teamed up with a provider to stage a FREE information session for parents about the dangers of technology. The session takes place in th hall on 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 2.30 p.m. Pupils in Year Six are participating in a Safety Crew event at Chesterfield's Fire Station on 26<sup>th</sup> June. The morning includes interactive workshops on staying safe. Year Six pupils will also learn more about cycle safety when they take part in 'Bikeability' starting on 27<sup>th</sup> June. Reception aged children will start 'Bike balance' training on 30<sup>th</sup> June. Throughout Safety Week all classes will be engaged in lessons linked to safety considerations.

### Music to our ears – and a special performance for a staunch supporter of Calow Primary!

Pupils in Year Five who have been learning to play the clarinet will be performing in a concert at Newbold Community School on the evening of 20<sup>th</sup> June. The School Choir will be singing at the Bolsover Primary Choir Festival on 18<sup>th</sup> June and at the School's Summer Fair on 21<sup>st</sup> June. There was an additional performance of the choir when they sang at Goodman Court. Although all residents of the home are invited, the choir were singing especially for our very own Mrs. Jamson who has not been in the best of health recently. Now in her 80's, Mrs. Jamson has been helping at Calow School for the past 17 years!

### Dates for your diary

16<sup>th</sup> June – The start of themed week in School when learning is linked to World Cup football

24<sup>th</sup> June - Class Four educational visit to Hardwick Hall as part of a National Trust project on Bess of Hardwick

27<sup>th</sup> June - Free golf coaching session for all pupils in Year Five

2<sup>nd</sup> July - Transition day when all classes spend time with their new teachers for September

3<sup>rd</sup> July – Classes Five and Six visit to York to see National Railway Museum, Castle Museum and Jorvik Viking Centre

**Parent Hotline: The hotline can be accessed by telephoning 08447 70 75 76 and keying in the code number 66125**