



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

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Together'

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Players from Chesterfield Football Club visit Calow Primary

The 'Kick Racism out of Football' campaign works throughout the football, educational and community sectors to challenge discrimination, encourage inclusive practices and work for positive change. The campaign is supported and funded by the game's governing bodies, including the Professional Footballers Association, the Premier League and The Football Association.

As part of that campaign, two professional players currently with Chesterfield Football Club visited Years Four and Six at Calow Primary to talk about key messages. They were accompanied by Club Director, John Croot. Pupils also used the time to ask questions about the Club and what it's like to be a professional player. Pictured are Year Six pupil Christie Temporal with Town's Liam Ridehalgh and Chris Atkinson.



School's new secretary commences duties

Parents were notified by email that Mrs. Jerman would be leaving Calow Primary for pastures new, although she will be continuing links with School on an 'ad hoc' basis. The newly appointed secretary, Mrs. Bishop, has commenced duties with effect from 5th November and will be in the Office until 5.00 p.m. each day, apart from 4.00 p.m. on Fridays.

Information to Parents via email

We regularly send information to parents via email, particularly when documents are substantial. There are several reasons for doing this including: cutting down costs of copying; being green and reducing the number of trees that have to be felled; and ensuring that information gets to you directly. Some information is only sent by email because it is too bulky to send as a hard copy. Please ensure you let the School office have an up to date email address and that you check your emails for messages from School.

Documents to be sent out by email in the coming weeks are the latest copy of the School prospectus and the annual report from Governors. It is no longer a national requirement for Governors to produce the report but Governors at Calow Primary wish to continue doing so in order to keep parents informed of the work they do for School.

Arrangements during adverse weather conditions

Now that winter is approaching we are reminding all parents of arrangements in the advent of adverse weather and possible School closure. If Calow Primary has to close, the Headteacher will contact Peak FM so that a message can be put out on radio. Updates will be placed on our School's Parent Hotline. To access the Hotline, telephone 08447 70 75 76 and then key in the School I.D. code, which is: 66125. Parent Hotline details can be shared with others such as grandparents, child minders etc. who pick children up from School from time to time.

Anti-Bullying work at Calow Primary

The definition of bullying is: deliberately hurtful behaviour that is **repeated** over a period of time, making it difficult for the person concerned to defend themselves. This can take the form of name-calling, violence, threatened violence, isolation, ridicule or indirect action such as spreading unpleasant stories about someone. Calow Primary works hard to ensure that all pupils know the difference between bullying and simply 'falling out'. We take any allegation of bullying seriously and work hard to address concerns. The School has an anti-bullying policy, which may be found on our website. Calow Primary will be participating in Anti-Bullying Week, which starts on Monday 19th November.

Dates for your diary

15th November – Reception Class Assembly in the School hall from 9.15 a.m.

20th November – Class Two educational visit to Chesterfield on the trail of railway pioneer George Stephenson

22nd November – Year One Class Assembly in the School hall from 9.15 a.m.

- Year Six poetry workshop with Matt Black, Derbyshire's Poet Laureate

24th November – P.T.F.A. Christmas Fair to be opened by Natascha Engel M.P. at 10.00 a.m.