



# High Notes

**Primary High Notes Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

*Dear Parents*

In my primary assembly yesterday I spoke about something we all experience: pressure. With the new series of The Great British Bake Off starting this week, I thought it was the perfect way to introduce the idea of how we handle life's challenges. Just like the bakers in the tent, our children face their own pressures—whether it is learning something new in class, trying their best in sports, or navigating friendships.

We talked about how important it is to prepare, stay calm when things do not go to plan, and see pressure as a chance to grow and improve. In Bake Off, even when the cakes don't rise or the biscuits break, the best bakers stay calm, make adjustments, and create something they are proud of. This is a wonderful lesson for our children too: when things feel tough, taking a deep breath, staying positive, and asking for help can make all the difference.

Just as the bakers learn from each challenge, our children can embrace their own challenges with the same spirit of resilience and creativity.

Best wishes,

*Amy Chapman*

*Head*

## **Primary Teatime Concert**

Well done and thank you to all our performers who contributed to last night's wonderful Primary Tea Time Concert. Our series of Primary Tea Time Concerts provide an opportunity for our Primary pupils to showcase all the hard work they are doing in lessons and at home. It was fantastic to see so many pupils perform for the first time and see how our older pupils are flourishing with their chosen instrument. More photographs will be available on the School's Primary Gallery on Monday.



### **A Pumpkin Hunt for Wrens**

Yesterday morning the Wrens took a trip down to the school field to see the amazing pumpkins that one of our caretaker's has been growing. They were so excited to sing "We're going on a pumpkin hunt" as we made our way there and were amazed to see the different varieties of pumpkin, and how they grow. We picked some pumpkins to take back to the classroom and we are really looking forward to seeing what is inside them!





### **Georgia Features in The Week**

Georgia, Year 6 Chatsworth, has appeared in the national press! Her story of the discovery on an Anglo-Saxon brooch was featured in last week's edition of the children's newspaper The Week. In the article, Georgia and her sister (Evie in Year 8) were photographed during their appearance on a Channel 5 news broadcast.

The girls must be getting rather accustomed to being in the spotlight after having been filmed for BBC News and Channel 5 News, having been special guests at the National History Museum and appearing in The Week.



### **Congratulations, Berenice**

Berenice, Year 3 Tissington, took her first ballet exam over the summer holidays. Berenice was delighted to be awarded a "high merit" and received a full 10/10 in recall section. Well done!



## Whole School Photo – Ready to Order

We hope you enjoyed watching our video of the whole school photo – [click here to watch on YouTube](#).

The photograph is now available to view and order via the following weblink, please note, to view the photograph you will be asked to enter your email address and child's name. This is for security reasons.

Click here: <https://http.st/200095-59>

Please include your child's full name when placing an order. This will assist Student Reception to distribute the photographs when they arrive in school. For further information please read the HighPost sent on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

## Health and Safety Reminder

Please be aware that there is no supervision on playgrounds before 8am. Therefore, please ensure you supervise your child until the member of staff is on the playground.

Should your child need to be on site before 8am, then they must book into breakfast club (chargeable) in the Refectory. Any unsupervised children found onsite before 8am will be placed into breakfast club.

## Second Hand Uniform Shop

Appointments for parents to visit our Second Hand Uniform Shop during October half term can be made from the 1<sup>st</sup> October. Please call main reception to make an appointment, 01332 514267. Thank you.

## Safeguarding Corner

Welcome to our Safeguarding podcast, our 18th episode is on the topic of Snus. Our discussion is led by Claire Bellman (Deputy Head – Pastoral) and Simon Wood (Head of PSHE, Seniors). Today we discuss Snus, a nicotine product which is consumed by placing a pouch under the lip.

To list to the podcast please [click here](#) or on the image below.



For further information please click the link below:

[Nicotine pouches are being marketed to young people on social media. But are they safe, or even legal? \(theconversation.com\)](#)

## Dates For Your Diary

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Calke Class Assembly

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Senior School Discovery Day for Year 6

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October – World Mental Health Day, non-uniform day

## Useful Links

School menu week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> September - [click here](#).

Calendar (via the Parent Portal) - <https://derbyhigh.parents.isams.cloud/>