



TPA Christmas Newsletter – Wednesday 20th December 2023



Christmas Community Meal Events



Our favourite community events of the year have just been concluded, with over two thousand children, parents, carers and family, joining together across our schools to celebrate the festive season. Once again, we must thank our wonderful staff for working so hard to deliver these memorable events and thank Nourish Contract Catering for providing quality seasonal meals.



TPA School Recent Ofsted

During the Autumn term two of our schools have been inspected by the watchdog Ofsted.

Ofsted Grade	
Broadmead Primary School - GOOD	Belvedere Infant and Nursery School - GOOD

Broadmead Primary – 1st and 2nd November 2023

The school was graded as ‘Good’ in all categories and we believe this is the first time in the school’s history this has been achieved.

“Pupils and their families feel welcome here. The school encourages pupils to treat everyone equally and with respect.”

“Staff make sure that pupils are kept safe.”

“Pupils enjoy their learning and they achieve highly.”

Belvedere Infant and Nursery School – 22nd and 23rd November 2023

The school was judged to be a 'Good' school.

"This is a happy and harmonious school. Pupils enjoy school because their learning is fun. Pupils achieve well here across a range of subjects."

"Pupils are kind towards each other. They know the importance of helping others ..."

May we take this opportunity to thank our fantastic school and central staff who have worked so hard to make our schools safe, happy environments where learning flourishes.

TPA Regional Football Competition



This year we have re-established our inter-school sports competitions. The first of these was the Regional Boys and Girls football competitions.

Each school within their geographic region entered a combined Year 5 and 6 Boys team and a combined Girls team. The matches were played during November, with all

teams demonstrating positive competitive spirit and all enjoying the sporting occasions.



The winners of each region now go through to the finals in March. The regional winners were:

Girls

West Blatchington Primary (South East & Rural)
Red Hill Primary (Bromley)
Burnt Oak Junior (Bexley)
Woodcote Primary (Croydon)

Boys

Edenbridge Primary (South East & Rural)
Red Hill Primary (Bromley)
Burnt Oak Junior (Bexley)
The Crescent Primary (Croydon)



Future Sporting Events

Next term our Head of PE, Luke Kimberley, will be organising a cross country competition for Year 3 and 4 for our pupils to enter. Later next year, during the second half of the Summer Term, the TPA Athletics sporting competition will take place at Norman Park Athletic Stadium in Bromley.

Why not follow your schools or TPA on X (Twitter) to see up-to-date results and photographs of these and many other school events (@thePioneerTPA).

New Chair of Trustees

After several years on the Trust Board and as Chair, Richard Lockyer has stood down from his role and the board – we thank him for his contributions and support.

We now welcome Jo Bouwens as our new Chair of Trustees – Jo has been a board member for five years and was Vice-Chair. She brings a wealth of experience from her senior role in banking, and she is fully committed to ensuring our schools remain safe, happy environments for our pupils to learn in. We are also delighted to inform you that Wendy Andrews, a long-serving TPA trustee has been elected to Vice-Chair. Wendy also has a wealth of experience in finance and Human Resources, and we are pleased that she has taken this important leadership role on our board.

TPA Annual Teacher Conference

On 31st October our Teachers across our academy trust came together for a day of learning. They were fortunate to hear from two brilliant speakers.

Professor Rob Coe who spoke about teaching pedagogy and the importance of high-quality teaching and learning.

Sharon Warrington who spoke to our staff about cultivating cultural inclusion.



Christmas Message

As we all know, these are particularly difficult times for many people across our communities; if you are experiencing any hardship, please speak to your school leaders, who will be able to support you or signpost you to an organisation that can help. Our schools are at the heart of our communities; please do not feel isolated, we are all here to serve and support you.

We would like to wish you all a safe, happy Christmas break.

Yours faithfully



Lee Mason – Ellis

CEO



Joanne Bouwens

Chair of the Trust Board