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“Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.”

Anthony J. Angelo

Working well!

As a Trust we are continuing to go from strength to strength. One community with shared values, a commitment to work together and a willingness to place our children's needs at the heart of all we undertake.

We know that our shared vision and determination to succeed will be matched by our willingness to strive, learn and grow together. Every school within the Trust continues to share their expertise and foster strong partnerships.

The Trust consists of four schools and 1,350 pupils from Reception to Year 6. This half term began with a shared training day at the Coton Centre for every member of staff joined by all schools across Tamworth. Staff were inspired by the guest speakers with a foci on mental health and well-being; a fundamental priority that the Trust champions. Learning strategies to support emotional coaching and attachment disorders resonated with all members of our Trust community. Staff were inspired by Ashley John Baptist and how he overcame significant life difficulties to achieve success and happiness. All schools within the Trust take all aspects of children's well being very seriously.

Close collaboration opportunities continue to support learning and teaching across the Trust with Headteacher and Subject Leader shared monitoring on alternate weeks in every school. Newly qualified and recently qualified staff meet regularly to maximise opportunities to work together, support each other through professional discussions and share best practice.

Central Team Updates

The Trust Central Team undertake school specific purchase ordering and procurement of many school resources. In addition, the DPO undertakes GDPR compliance and support. The Key, an online support system for schools, is currently engaging with the DPO because of the high quality delivery initiated in this area. A Trust Mental Well-Being lead supports children in all schools across the Trust; feedback has identified that the play therapy and the support children are receiving is having huge benefits for each individual. The Catering Lead supports whole Trust provision of lunches to ensure that they are of the highest quality. Further engagement with parents, through taster sessions at Dosthill, were very well received.

The children of Tamworth and Burton always remain at the heart of all we undertake and areas of improvement range from building projects to enabling our children to travel further afield. Children in all Trust schools have been able to use the mini-buses to attend sports competitions, IT workshops, museums and visit local historic sites.

Ankermoor Primary Academy has re-furbished a space adjacent to the hall to create a private area for meetings. Dosthill have received much needed new kitchen equipment and white crockery; feedback from children is that they are enjoying their lunches and value the changes. These variations embody **the pride** that is intrinsic in every aspect of school life, including our values.

Professional learning for governors continues to be a vital part of our work as a Trust. New Governors and Trustees have undertaken training with regarding challenge, support and identifying school priorities and this was well attended. The DELT led an informative training evening on Assessment for all governors using the most recent published date available.



Up and coming events:

- Spring Term moderation across the Trust will take place. Each school will host a separate phase.
- The steering group for the Fierté Festival will meet to organise the next event.
- A Trust Inset on 7.1.19 will host a key note speaker and opportunities to work with other Trust staff.



**We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas!
A very Happy New Year to all!**

