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# COMMUNITY 'CHIT CHAT'

At Yew Tree Primary School we value the partnership we have with our community and we are committed to working as closely with them as we can. Although we are a large school, we are determined to nurture a family ethos and ensure our school is at the heart of the community. We embrace the opportunity to create strong bonds within the Yew Tree family.

Community 'Chit Chat' is an open forum for any members of our community to meet directly with a member of the school team at key points in the year. These opportunities are informal and include the chance to have a coffee and chat with dedicated staff to discuss all things Yew Tree and to have a catch up about topical issues.

This page will give information about our Community 'Chit Chat' meetings so keep an eye for updates throughout the year. Remember, the agenda is yours so do let us know if you have ideas about things you would like to discuss. This group will also support our Family Support Worker in consider community engagement events such as family outings and trips.

## How can you help us and also benefit as a parent/carer?

As a parent/carer you automatically become part of our community. However, we want to make sure we plan time to hear your voice and listen to your views and opinions.

The Community 'Chit Chat' meetings are a chance to talk about what is important to you.

It is also an opportunity for you to be a 'listening ear' to the team so that we can discuss, and get your feedback about, new ideas and plans.



## When are the meetings?

We have scheduled meetings each half term either straight after morning drop-off or shortly before pick-up. The dates for 2022/23 are:

19.09.25 – 9.00am  
14.11.25 – 9.00am  
16.01.26 – 9.00am  
20.03.26 – 9.00am  
24.04.26 – 9.00am  
19.06.25 – 9.00am

The meetings will last no longer than one hour and light refreshments will be provided. Come along for a coffee, straight after drop off, for a chit chat and catch up about all things Yew Tree.

## What will happen during a Community Connects meeting?

When you attend a meeting you can:

- Learn more about what Yew Tree is doing and what it intends to do in the future.
- Have a say and be part of the way future plans and policies are shaped and decided.
- Bring your own ideas along to meetings to help us improve on what we do at present.
- Help plan community engagement activities/trips.

## What happens now?

If you would like to attend then you simply come along to as many meetings as you can. There is no need to book and no requirement to attend all meetings.

The meetings are informal but we shall share our discussions via Yew Tree Times (newsletter), the website and Twitter.