

Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 3 October 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share with you that the Ofsted judgement following the inspection last week, is that this school continues to be **GOOD**.

Attached to the newsletter is a copy of the report which we hope you will be interested to read.

It is pleasing that all the hard work put in by the team at Thameside to ensure we provide our pupils with a good education, has been recognised.

We are already working on and planning for the next steps outlined in the report, to ensure provision for our pupils continues to go from strength to strength.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs L Billingham



Two Tins Harvest Appeal

Thurrock Food Bank have asked for our support again this year and so we are launching our 'Two Tins' Harvest appeal on Monday 15th October. We are asking for each pupil to bring in two tins of food, which will be collected by Thurrock Foodbank at the end of the first week back after half-term. Each class will have a collection box in their room for the next two weeks. If every child in school is able to bring in two tins, we would be providing almost 1,500 food donations to families in need, in Thurrock.

We hope you agree this is a most worthwhile cause to support.

Celebration Assemblies

Please see below the rota for our class sharing assemblies for this term. Please note the amendment to the date for 5K which is now Friday 9th November because of a year 5 trip that is taking place on Thursday 8th November. Details of this trip were sent out yesterday.

Thursday 18th October	2A & 6D
Thursday 8th November	3W
Friday 9 th November	5K
Thursday 22nd November	1L & 4T
Thursday 29th November	2J & 6F

Every class will have two sharing assemblies across the year, so not all classes will have an assembly date for this term.



Rotary Club Donation

We were thrilled to be presented with a £1,000 donation from Grays Thurrock Rotary Club earlier in the week. The President of Rotary

Club of Grays Thurrock, Mark Dvorkin visited the school to present the cheque to Mrs Bray. The money will be split with £500 being used to buy new thesaurus' for classrooms and the other £500 will be spent on buying new books to further encourage the children in our school to read for pleasure.



Coffee Mornings

The next coffee morning with Mrs Bray is next Thursday morning at 9am. All parents and carers are encouraged and are welcome to attend.

Trailblazer payments

A polite reminder about the Trailblazer payment for this academic year. These payments are vital if we are to pursue the experiences and activities that Trailblazer helps provide for our pupils, enabling them to experience a broad and balanced curriculum. Thank you if you have already given your contribution.

Christmas Fayre

The annual Christmas Fayre will be taking place on Friday 7th December from 3.20pm until 5.30pm.



If you are interested in hiring a stall for the event, please leave your contact details and description of what you would like to sell, with the school office. The stall hire fee is £15, together with a donated raffle prize. The PTA would also welcome donations of bottles such as soft drinks, alcohol, bubble bath etc for the 'lucky bottle' stall, and also tins and packets of food for the tombola stall.

PE NEWS



Firstly, a polite reminder that pupils attending any before or after school PE club MUST have an additional kit to their school PE kit. All pupils have been reminded of this and any pupil attending a club without spare kit will not be able to take part. If this is an after school PE club, parents will be called to collect their child early. Thank you for supporting this protocol.

Football Update

The girls team featured in the year 5/6 football tournament and came 4th, going through as best second place in the group stages and then losing narrowly to Deneholm in the 3rd/4th place match. Summer and Aishat scored all 4 goals in the tournament. The boys also featured in their tournament and progressed to the quarter finals having dominated the group by winning 3 games and drawing the last game of the group. Andre Dike scored 3 goals in the tournament and Bill



Dalton and Francisco scored the others. The boys also played against Stifford Clays in the boys league cup, beating them 2-1 with Andre Dike scoring the goals to secure our place in the next round. Boys B team played 2 games consecutively against Giffards and Stanford Le Hope, beating Stanford 4-2 and drawing 0-0 with Giffards. Prosper Fredericks scoring twice with Curran Neziyan and Harry Slack scoring the other two.

Mrs Lockwood and Mr Stephen

Plastic Bottle Appeal

Some of our classes will be taking part in a community art project next week creating poppies for a whole school display linked to Remembrance Sunday. We would appreciate any empty, clean plastic bottles that you are able to drop in at the school office please!



School Photographs

We have the photographer coming in to take individual and family group shots on Friday 9th November. Details will follow in a separate letter nearer the time.

Key dates for your diary.

October

- 22nd – Half Term Begins

November

- 5th – Children back to school
- No after school clubs 5th – 9th
- 8th – Year 5 to Kensington Palace
- 8th – Parent drop-in – 3:20pm – 4:20pm
- 9th – Individual/family photo day
- 9th – Final Day for two tins Harvest appeal
- 12th – Year 3 Twilight Trail after school
- 16th – Flu immunisations – *details to be confirmed nearer the time*
- 27th & 28th – Parent's evening – *details to be confirmed nearer the time.*

December

- 17th, 18th & 19th December Church services
- 19th – Christmas Jumper Day
- 19th – Last Day of Term

And finally.....

E-Safety 'tip of the week'

If your child comes to you with an issue, stay calm and listen without judging them.

