

Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 5 November 2018

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our annual Christmas Fayre is only two weeks away! The PTA are busy organising all the things that need to be in place in time and would welcome any volunteers who are able to help in the run-up to the event and/or during the event itself, which will be taking place on Friday 7th December from 3.20pm until 5.30pm.



Stalls are still available to hire. If you are interested, 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.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs L Billinghamurst

Road Safety Week



As part of National Road Safety Week, Year 6 received some road safety training about large vehicles yesterday. Our thanks to the Thurrock Road Safety team and staff from the Co-op for putting together this valuable session.

Schoolcomms

A reminder that we are now using Schoolcomms for all our communications. Could we ask that you please take a few moments to download the app onto your mobile phone.

- Apple iPhone users download at: schoolgateway.co.uk/iosdownload
- Android phone users download at: schoolgateway.co.uk/androiddownload

Remembrance Service

Our thanks to members of the School Council who represented the school at the Remembrance Sunday service last weekend. Mrs Allinson and I were really impressed by your mature attitude you all displayed especially when the weather took a downward turn! Thank you all for attending.



Car Park and Paths

There are still a number of parents and carers who are walking through the front car park when dropping off and collecting pupils at the beginning and end of the day. **Please use the pathway at all times.** This includes parents arriving and leaving the entrance to the breakfast club hall.

We are currently looking into fencing options for the front entrance car park area in an effort to improve safety.

PE NEWS

3 and 4 Cross Country

Well done to all the pupils that went to the cross country competition on Friday 16th November. All pupils did fantastically well, the result being that year 3 boys as a team managed to win overall!!! Year 3 girls as a team managed to come 2nd and Kinley Clark individually came 3rd overall. The Year 4 girls came 3rd overall and George Dike in year 4 came 4th overall. Once all the results had been calculated together, it was announced that Thameside had managed to win both the Year 3 and Year 4 cross country. Well done team Thameside! All runners should be really proud of themselves as these are all amazing achievements.



Mrs Lockwood

Celebration Assemblies

Our remaining two class assemblies for this term are as follows:

Thursday 29th November 2J & 6F

Children in Need/Movember

Thank you to all the pupils and parents who supported our fund-raising day last week. The total amount collected was £603 which will be divided between Children in Need and Movember.



School Tours

Do you have a child starting school in September 2019? We will be providing tours of the school during the week of 10th December. If you would like to book a tour please contact the school office for further details.



Christmas Dinner Deadline

A polite reminder that the deadline for returning the reply slip for Christmas dinner is Friday 7th December.

Polite Reminder

Please remember that when children are sick at home, they have to be vomit\diarrhoea free for 48 hours before returning to school. This includes when a child has been sick over the weekend at some point.



Key dates for your diary.

November

- 27th & 28th – Parent's evening (**Please note there are no after school clubs on these nights**)

December

- 7th December – Christmas Fayre after school
- 10th December – Year 3 Twilight Trail
- 10th & 11th December EYFS Living Library (details to follow separately)
- 12th December Outside Carol Service to KS1 parents 2.30pm
- 13th December Outside Carol Service to KS2 parents 2.30pm
- 14th – Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumper Day
- 17th, 18th & 19th December Church services
- 19th – Last Day of Term

And finally.....

E-Safety 'tip of the week'

Encourage your children to only talk to real friends and check they know it is them. Could anyone have copied their account and pretend to be them?