

Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 2 September 2019



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to say that the improvements to the front entrance of the school have now been completed with the fencing in place alongside the new pathway. Can we please remind you not to attempt to walk through the electric gates as they are opening or closing for a vehicle driving through the entrance or exit.

Thank you for supporting your child to complete the whole school literacy homework last week. Once we have had a good read through of the stories received, we will inform you of the entries we will be forwarding to the Local Authority for consideration.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs L Billingham

After School Clubs

The new collection point system for after school clubs is now up and running. Thank you for your patience whilst the system was tweaked at the start of the week but our focus is always the safety and well-being of our pupils and it now feels a safer arrangement for dismissing pupils at the end of the clubs.

Volunteers

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the session last week with Miss H Jones and I. We are looking to build a team of volunteers who are able to come in and hear children read, across the school. Once we have co-ordinated the time slots teaching staff are requesting to have an adult supporting, we will contact you to arrange a time to pop in to get the DBS process underway.



Gardening Equipment

We have had a limited response so far in our request for any spare or unwanted items of gardening equipment or furniture that could be donated to Year 3. The staff are hoping to create a space in the courtyard for planting/growing and a space to sit so please have a check this weekend to see if you have anything that could be utilised for the project.



Aldi 'Kit for Schools'

The Aldi 'Kit for School' project is well underway with our poster beginning to fill with the stickers sent in but we have a way to go before the poster is complete so please can you send in any stickers you receive with your shopping. Remember, for every 300 stickers we collect, we will receive an exclusive sports kit for the school.



Considerate Parking Choices

Further to our note in the last newsletter about parking in Manor Road, we have been contacted by residents in Cherry Tree Close this week with similar comments about being unable to park near to their house at school times. One resident of Cherry Tree Close arrived home to find a car parked across the entire driveway, preventing them from accessing their front garden. Please bear this in mind when dropping off and collecting your children by car at the start and end of the day.



Harvest Appeal

We are continuing next week with our WaterAid Harvest Appeal for coins to cover waterdrop symbols placed in each classroom. Thank you in advance for supporting this charity. We will notify you of the total collected in the next newsletter.

Our Shining Stars

Each week a pupil is selected by the class teacher as a star learner, possibly a pupil who has demonstrated the Co-op values across the week in their learning and been a positive role model to the other pupils in the class. The following children were picked this morning in the celebration assembly. They were:

Eliana	1P	Mason	3J	Immy	5R
Sophie	1VH	Zahara	3A	Taylor-May	5K
Catalina	1J	Angelos	3U	Aureka	5S
Esther	1L	Abdullah	3S	Emma	6S
Jeanie	2A	El	4AH	Jason	6C
Armaan	2B	Maya	4R	Sophie	6L
Aratrika	2W	Mason	4A		
Harrison	2D	Mohammed	4W		



Well done to you all!

Sports News

Yesterday, the year 5/6 boys participated in a football tournament. It was the first time the children played together and they did really well. It was an experimental competition where we could try players in unfamiliar positions. They lost 3 games and drew 3 games. Well done boys.



Our Year 5/6 girls football team competed at St Clare's last Thursday. The girls participated superbly and narrowly missed out

on a semi-final place. The teams who managed to beat them came first and second respectively. It was a great achievement by the girls and we hope for further success in the season.

Table Tennis

Recently 4 pupils from year 5/6 competed for the school in a table tennis competition. Despite all playing extremely well, they just missed out on a semi-final place.



And finally..... some dates for your diary for this term

October 2019	Thursday 3 rd	Dessert Day Dinner
	Thursday 17 th	Baked Potato Buffet Lunch
	Monday 21 st Oct – Friday 1 st November	Half term
November 2019	Monday 4 th	Return to School all pupils
	Monday 4 th to Friday 8 th	No Before and After School Clubs
	Friday 8 th	Photographer in for individual photographs
	Tuesday 12 th	Viking Workshop – Year 4
	Friday 15 th	Children in Need (Non Uniform Day)
December 2019	Tuesday 19 th & Wednesday 20 th	Parents Consultations (3.30-6.30pm)
	Thursday 21 st	Flu Immunisations Reception to Year 6
	Friday 29 th	Non Uniform Day (Donation for Christmas Fayre)
	Friday 6 th	School Christmas Fayre 3.30pm to 5.30pm
	Tuesday 10 th	Pantomime in School for pupils
January 2020	Wednesday 11 th	School Christmas Dinner
	Thursday 12 th & Friday 13 th	Christmas Carols to parents outside
	Friday 13 th	Christmas Jumper Day
	Monday 16 th – Wednesday 18 th	Class visits to Grays Parish Church
	Thursday 19 th December to Friday 3 rd January	Half Term
January 2020	Monday 6 th January 2020	Teacher Training Day
	Tuesday 7 th January	Return to School
	Tuesday 7 th to Friday 10 th	No Before and After School Clubs

