



Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

Thursday 5th January 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to THNS! We hope that all of our children and families have had a fantastic Christmas break and would like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year. We've got lots of exciting events planned for this half term, so please make a note of these dates in your diary and keep an eye out for posters around the nursery.

STAY AND PLAY - every Wednesday morning 9-10.30am

FAMILY CHAMPIONS COFFEE MORNING/AFTERNOON - Thursday 12th January, 8.45 and 12.45

TOILET TRAINING WORKSHOP - Wednesday 18th January, 8.45 and 12.45

PARENT GARDENING CLUB - Friday 20th January, 8.45 and 12.45

'WEAR WHAT YOU WISH' FANCY DRESS DAY- Friday 27th January

COOKING WITH YOUR CHILD WORKSHOP - Tuesday 31st January, 8.45 and 12.45

PEOPLE WHO HELP US WEEK - Week beginning Monday 6th February

TOILET TRAINING WORKSHOP - Wednesday 8th February, 8.45 and 12.45

LAST DAY OF HALF TERM - Friday 10th February

Our parents' notice board is updated regularly with news, events and information, as is our fabulous nursery website: www.thns.org. Please have a look at our photo galleries online!

Primary School Admissions

If you have not yet applied for a primary school place for your child if they are transferring in September 2017, then please speak to us and we will be able to help you. All children who turn 4 between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017, **must apply online before 15th January 2017**. If you have already applied then please show us the confirmation email you received so that I can tick you off our list. Remember... you can apply for up to 6 local primary schools and we recommend that you complete all 6 preferences. The website for primary admissions is www.eadmissions.org and you must have your council tax number in order to complete the application.



Family Champions Coffee morning/ afternoon (Thursday 12th January, 8.45 and 12.45)

Our 'Family Champions' are Nadia Campbell (3/4yr nursery) and Karen Edwards (2yr nursery) and they are on hand to help and give advice to families from many different backgrounds and situations. They will be hosting a coffee morning/ afternoon next Friday where parents/carers can come together, get to know one another and also discuss any issues they may have. Nadia and Karen have helped other THNS families with issues around toilet training, child development/ behaviour, domestic issues, financial issues etc. and are happy for families to approach them whenever a need arises. Please support them by attending and sharing a coffee and some cake!



Punctuality and attendance

A BIG well done to Emmanuella, Naila, Sivanino, Chloe, Vinush, Ianis, Thekes, Dontae and Scarlett, who achieved 100% attendance during the Autumn term! They have earned a certificate and a special prize for making sure they've been in nursery every day. Their photos have also been added onto our 100% attendance display and on our website! Having good attendance at nursery is really important in making sure that your child has the best opportunity to learn and develop well.



George

Jo George
Head of Nursery

Cold weather and appropriate clothing

The weather has been particularly cold this week so please ensure that your child has **labelled** thick coats, scarves, hats and gloves, as all of our children enjoy playing outside. We have a mud kitchen and lots of 'messy' play activities at nursery, so please make sure that children are dressed in clothing which you don't mind getting dirty. We promote independence as part of the nursery curriculum so please make sure that your child is able to dress and undress themselves (e.g. no awkward clothing such as belts, tricky fastenings or shorts over tights!).

