

Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

Tuesday 9th January 2018



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'd like to offer a very warm welcome to our new children and families who are joining us this term, as well as our two new Teaching Assistants who have joined our THNS team! Please make sure you all say 'hello' to Maria T who will be working in our 2yr nursery and to Paris, who will be working across both nursery rooms. 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.

- Tuesday 16th January:** Parent/ carer gardening club (8.45 and 12.45)
- Thursday 25th January:** Toilet training information workshop for parents/ carers (8.45 and 12.45)
- Friday 26th January:** Fundraising event for 'Water Aid' (details to follow)
- Thursday 1st February:** Cooking with your child workshop for parents/ carers (9am and 1pm)
- Week beginning Monday 5th February:** 'People who help us' week
- Friday 9th February:** Last day of half term
- Monday 19th February:** Children return after half term break
- Monday 19th February:** ESOL information session (9am)

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 - deadline 15th January 2018

If you have not yet applied for a primary school place for your child if they are transferring in September 2018, then please speak to us this week and we will be able to help you. If you have already applied then please show Jo or Faye the confirmation email you received. 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.



ESOL course (help learning English)

CALAT will be running an ESOL course at THNS in February. There is an information session on **Monday 19th February at 9am**. Please speak to your child's keyworker or Jo for more information.



Punctuality and attendance

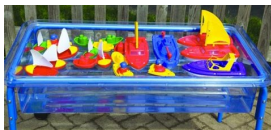
A BIG well done to Dontae, Navarn, Marguerite, Boncho, Caleb, Zannah and Alexandre, who achieved 100% attendance during the Autumn term! They earned a certificate and a special prize for making sure they've been in nursery every day. Their photos have also been added onto our 100% attendance display! Having good attendance at nursery is really important in making sure that your child has the best opportunity to learn and develop well.



Please ensure that your child is on time for their nursery session every day (8.30am or 12.30pm) so that they do not miss any learning time. If your child is absent for any reason, please phone the nursery office on 02086840494 to let us know.

Charity events at THNS

Many thanks to those who donated to 'Save the Children' and wore their Christmas jumpers to school in December. We raised over **£80** for this worthwhile cause. We also raised **£210** in our Christmas raffle, which has been used to purchase a brand new water tray! Many thanks to all who donated to this cause and supported THNS.



Jo George

Jo George
Head of Nursery

Parent/ carer gardening club

We need your help! Next Tuesday 16th January, we need volunteers to help us clear our flower beds so that the children can start planting vegetables. Please sign up in the office if you are able to volunteer a short amount of time to help us.

