

# Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

## Friday 11th January 2019



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 a new Teaching Assistant who has joined our THNS team! Please make sure you all say 'hello' to Laura who will be working across both our 3yr nursery and the front office. 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 29th January:** Parent / carer coffee event (8.45am & 12.45pm)

**Friday 1st February:** Fundraising event for 'Water Aid' (details to follow)

**Monday 4th February:** Cooking with your child workshop for parents/ carers (9am and 1pm)

**Tuesday 5th February:** E-safety Day (leaflets & handouts to follow)

**Week beginning Monday 11th February:** 'People who help us' week

**Friday 15th February:** Last day of half term

**Monday 25th February:** Children return after half term break

**Week beginning Monday 4th March:** World Book Week

**Wednesday 6th March:** Digital Learning Workshop (8.45am & 12.45pm)

**Thursday 7th March:** World Book Day (details to follow)

**Monday 11th March:** Comic Relief fundraising event (details to follow)

**Thursday 14th March:** Gardening Club (weather permitting)

**Friday 22nd March:** Sharing Success Day

**Weeks beginning Monday 25th March & Monday 1st April:** Keyworker Weeks

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

### **Primary School Admissions** - deadline 15th January 2019

If you have not yet applied for a primary school place for your child if they are transferring in September 2019, then please speak to us this week and we will be able to help you. If you have already applied then please show Chris, Jenette 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](http://www.eadmissions.org) and you must have your council tax when applying.



### **Punctuality and attendance**

A BIG well done to Anais, Vincent, Stefan, Eric and Danny, 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.*



### **Cold weather and appropriate clothing**

As the weather gets colder, please ensure that your child has **labelled** thick coats, scarves, hats and gloves. 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.

### **Contact details**

If your contact details have changed, please give these to Faye or Laura so that they can update our records. It is **vital** we have the correct information. Thank you.



### **Parent/ carer gardening club**

On Thursday 14th March, we need volunteers to help us prepare our flower beds, plant bulbs and sow seeds for the summer. Please sign up in the office if you are able to volunteer a short amount of time to help us.



**Chris Mead**  
Head of Nursery

**Jenette Indarsingh**  
Head of Nursery