



# Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

## Thursday 7th September 2017



### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our new school year! All of our returning children arrived at nursery happily yesterday, settled beautifully and had all grown much taller over the summer holidays. We would like to give a very warm welcome to our new children and their families who will be joining us over the next few weeks. We are also very pleased to welcome Chris Mead who will be working with us as Deputy Head on Mondays and Tuesdays each week. We have lots of exciting events planned for this half term, for both our children and their families. Please make a note of these dates for your diary as we like to give families as much notice as possible:

**Jeans for Genes fundraising day - Friday 22nd September**

**National poetry day - Thursday 28th September**

**Macmillan coffee morning/ afternoon - Friday 29th September (8.45am and 12.45pm)**

**Black history month - All of October**

**Parent/ carer gardening club - Wednesday 4th October (8.45am and 12.45pm)**

**Maths workshop info session for parents/ carers - Wednesday 18th October (12.45pm)**

**Diwali celebrations - Thursday 19th October**

**THNS international celebration evening - Thursday 19th October (4 - 5.30pm)**

**Harvest donations are collected by our local food bank - Friday 20th October**

**Last day of half term - Friday 20th October**

**Children return to nursery - Monday 30th October**



*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).*

*You can also stay up to date with THNS news on [Twitter](#) (search @THNursery) and [Facebook](#) (search for Thornton Heath Nursery School).*



### **Jeans for Genes Day: Friday 22nd September**

On Friday 22nd September, all of our children and staff are invited to wear jeans and denim for the day in order to support the 'Jeans for Genes' charity. A donation pot will be left in the nursery office and all money raised will go to support children and babies with genetic disorders in the UK.

**WEAR JEANS  
CHANGE LIVES.**  
FRI 22 SEPT



### **Macmillan Coffee Morning/ Afternoon: Friday 29th September**

We would like to invite all of our parents and carers to come and join us for tea and cakes to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. This is a great chance to come into the nursery, meet other parents, eat lots of cake(!) and support an incredibly worthwhile cause. If you would like to kindly donate cakes for us to sell, then please send these into school on Thursday 28th September. Last year we raised over £130 and it would be fantastic to reach this target again!



### **Safeguarding, Health & Safety and Medicines**

If any of your phone number or address details have changed over the summer then please ensure you update the office as soon as possible so that we are always able to get in touch with you. If your child has regular medication which is kept in school then please speak to Faye.

### **Punctuality and Attendance**

Please ensure that your child is always dropped off in time for their session (8.30am in the mornings, 12.30pm in the afternoons) so that they don't miss out their teaching and learning groups. Please note that if your child is collected late at the end of their session you may be charged. We record 'late' marks on our registers, which will be shown on your child's end of year report. It is the responsibility of our parents/ carers to make the most of their child's place at THNS and this means that your child should attend every day and be on time. Remember that every school day counts to make sure that your child is properly prepared for when they start full-time schooling.



*George*

Jo George  
Head of Nursery

### **Library and Home Learning Packs**

Our library is now back up and running! Please bring your child in to choose a book which you can share at home. There's no limit on how many times you change a book each week or how many learning packs you can borrow. For every 10 books your child reads they will receive a special sticker!



# Admission to primary schools 2018/19

Apply online at: [www.croydon.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.croydon.gov.uk/admissions)

If your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 you **MUST** apply by **15 January 2018** for a primary school place.



## Closing date for applications:

**15 January 2018**

This prospectus provides important information about admissions to Croydon primary schools.

# 2018

THNS will be running some primary school admissions workshops to support families complete the online application form, on:

- ♦ **Thursday 9th November-** 8.45 & 12.45
- ♦ **Thursday 23rd November-** 8.45 & 12.45
- ♦ **Monday 11th December-** 8.45 & 12.45

Local primary schools run open days so that you can visit them before making a decision. Please contact the schools directly for more information. THNS will hand out details of open days when we receive them.

Speak to Jo or Faye if you have any further questions.