

We have had a wonderful day today with the children (and staff!!) looking very festive in their Christmas jumpers!



This is the final newsletter for 2021 and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support as we navigate our way in to 2022!

We consider ourselves to be very lucky that we have such a wonderful group of children, parents and carers that make up our Thornton Heath Nursery School family.

It saddens me to tell you that our fantastic Karen Edwards is leaving us at the end of this term to take on a new role in a school nearer to her home in Kent. Karen has been working at Thornton Heath Nursery School for over 17 years in various roles, the most recent being the room leader for the pre-nursery which she has done for the last 3 years.

I know that the decision to leave has been extremely difficult for Karen and she lost many nights sleep trying to decide what to do! Although we are sad that she is leaving we are also pleased that she will now spend less time travelling to work and will have more time to spend with her family, as well as being able to set her alarm clock for a bit later each morning.

To ensure continuity for the children, Kamile will be taking on the role of room leader from January 2022. Kamile has benefitted from working alongside Karen for the last term and as such will be able to continue the good work that Karen has done.

I am sure that you will join me in wishing Karen the best of luck for the future. I am sure she will regularly keep in touch and will be keen to know how all the children are doing.

In January we are also welcoming Lala Aslanova to our team. Lala will be joining us as a teaching assistant. She already knows some of the children and staff at THNS having completed 2 years work experience with us whilst studying for her qualifications.



THNS Christmas Raffle

There is still time to buy tickets for our Christmas raffle which will now be drawn on Wednesday 15th December 2021. We have an adult raffle and a children's raffle. Our annual raffle raises much needed funds for THNS. Tickets are only **50p** each and there are some fantastic prizes. All money received is used to enhance the learning opportunities for the children. A huge thank you to those of you that have already bought tickets and as they say " You have to be in it to win it!!"

Reminder : Christmas party - Friday 17th December

All children are invited to our THNS party (**11am-2pm**) for food, drinks, games and music! You have already received a letter about this with a reply slip to let us know if your child will be attending. There will be **no normal nursery** sessions on this day, unless your child attends full-time which was explained in the letter sent to you. If you did not receive a letter or have misplaced it please ask the staff for another one.



School closes on Friday 17th December 2021 & re-opens on Wednesday 5th January 2022

We would like to wish you all a fantastic two week break and we hope that you manage to catch up with family and friends over the festive season.