

# Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

## Wednesday 22nd January 2020



### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2020! 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 new Office Manager Caroline who has joined our THNS team! Please make sure you all say 'hello' to Caroline who is here to welcome you to our nursery each day and to ensure the smooth running of our office. We've got lots of events planned for this half term, on the back of this letter I have included a calendar page for the spring term so please make a note of these dates in your diary and keep an eye out for advertising posters around the nursery.

*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!*

### Punctuality and attendance

A BIG well done to Blake, Summer, Jean, Jay, Keegan, Bruno, Nabil, Mark, Aniya, Damian and Freddie 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.*



### Safeguarding and Health & Safety

There has been an increasing number of older siblings entering our nursery at the end of the day. Whilst it is pleasing to see so many of them wanting to help collect the younger children it is also causing us a safeguarding concern. We pride ourselves in closely monitoring people coming in and out of the nursery to ensure the safety of the children attending THNS. This includes stopping children from running out of the doors at the end of the day if they have "escaped" from their parents/carers. In order to ensure our safeguarding systems are highly effective we will no longer be able to allow older siblings in to the nursery at the end of the day. They are welcome to wait in the small lobby area however if this becomes overcrowded with buggies and children they will be asked to wait outside on the ramp area. Our priority has to be the safety of the children attending THNS. We trust that you understand our concerns and that you will work with us to ensure the safety of the younger children. If you wish to discuss this further please see Jenette or Caroline.

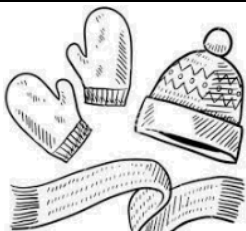


### Pushchairs, prams and buggies

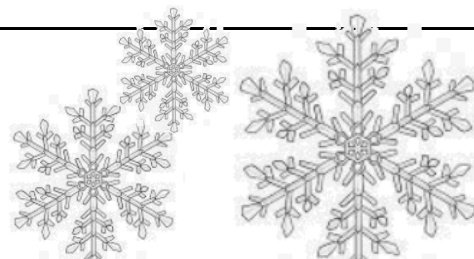
With the arrival of the cold, damp weather, many of you will have noticed the increase in the number of pushchairs and buggies parked in the office foyer. To avoid blocking our fire exit and to prevent our children becoming hurt, we are asking all parents to remove their children from their pushchairs if they are awake and park their empty pushchair in the red sheltered bay and not bring them into the waiting area. The only exceptions will be buggies or pushchairs with sleeping children in them. Please be aware that parents who park their empty pushchairs in the foyer, will be asked to remove them. Your co-operation with this health and safety requirement is appreciated.

### Cold weather and appropriate clothing

As the weather gets colder, please ensure that your child has a labelled thick coat, scarf, hat and gloves. Unfortunately we can not be responsible for items of clothing that go missing, especially if they have not been labelled with a name. 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.







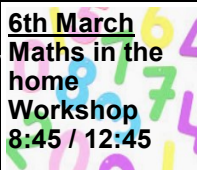


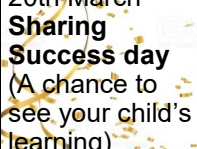


Jenette Indarsingh  
Head of Nursery



# Spring term calendar 2020



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27th January	28th January	29th January Best Start—Stay and Play 9am-10.30am	<b>30th January Curriculum workshop for parents</b> 8:45 / 12:45 		1st Feb	2nd Feb
3rd February	4th February	5th February Best Start—Stay and Play 9am-10.30am	<b>6th February Family Champions coffee event for parents / carers</b> 8:45 / 12:45 	7th February	8th	9th
10th February 	<b>11th February Safer internet day</b> Leaflets and information available about how to stay safe online	12th February Best Start—Stay and Play 9am-10.30am	<b>13th February Toilet training workshop</b> 8:45 / 12:45 	14th February	15th	16th
17th February Half Term	18th February Half term	19th February Half term	20th February Half term	21st February Half term	22nd	23rd
24th February <b>Return to nursery</b>	25th February	26th February Best Start—Stay and Play 9am-10.30am	<b>27th February Cooking with your child workshop</b> 8:45 / 12:45 	28th February	29th	1st March
<b>2nd March Beginning of book week</b>	3rd March	4th March	<b>5th March World Book Day</b> (come to nursery dressed as a book character) 	<b>6th March Maths in the home Workshop</b> 8:45 / 12:45 	7th	8th
<b>9th March Gardening Club</b> 8:45 / 12:45 	10th March	11th March	12th March	<b>13th March Sports Relief fundraiser</b> (Wear sports clothes to nursery) 	14th	15th
16th March	17th March	18th March	19th March	20th March <b>Sharing Success day</b> (A chance to see your child's learning) 	21st	22nd
<b>23rd March Beginning of keyworker week</b>	24th March	25th March	26th March	27th March	28th	29th
<b>30th March Beginning of keyworker week</b>	31st March	1st April	2nd April	3rd April	4th	5th

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