

Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter November 2021

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a very busy and exciting term and we would like to thank all of you for the support you have given us. The Christmas season is fast approaching and we are trying to find "safe" ways to provide the children with the usual Christmas celebrations and festivities. Although we are gradually returning to a more "normal" life the threat of covid19 is still very real and sadly because of this we will not be able invite parents in to the nursery for a Christmas sing a long. We are however planning to teach the children some wintery / Christmas songs which we will record and add to our website.

Sad news

Our lovely teaching assistant Maliha is leaving us this week having secured the opportunity to study at university in America! Although Maliha has only been with us a short while she will be greatly missed by the staff and children at THNS. I am sure you will joining me in wishing her the best of luck for the future. Shanay Francis, our new teaching assistant will be starting with us on Monday 29th November.

The nursery closes on Friday 17th December 2021 and we re-open on Wednesday 5th January 2022 at the usual time.

Christmas Jumper Day—Friday 10th December

On Friday 10th December we'd like all children, staff and parents/carers(!) to wear Christmas jumpers to nursery. We will be collecting donations for the 'Save the Children' charity, please donate however much you can. If your child does not have a Christmas jumper they can come to school wearing anything "Christmassy" such as tinsel in their hair, a Christmas hat or perhaps you could cut out shapes from wrapping paper and attached them to a jumper.

THNS Christmas Raffle

GRAND

RAFFLE

Our annual raffle raises much needed funds for THNS. Tickets are only **50p** each and there are some fantastic prizes. New prizes are being added every day! All money received is used to enhance the learning opportunities for the children. Winning tickets will be drawn on Tuesday 14th December. We will be displaying photos of the prizes on the gates that you use to enter the nursery. Next week we will once again be sending home an envelope and instructions about how to purchase tickets with your child.

Christmas party (for everyone!) - Friday 17th December

All children are invited to our THNS party (**11am-2pm**) for food, drinks, games and music! There will be **no normal nursery** sessions on this day, unless your child attends full-time, however you are welcome to collect them at 2pm at the end of our party if you wish — a more detailed letter will be sent to you next week.

Winter weather

As the days are getting colder please ensure that your child wears warm clothes to nursery. We are happy to help your child put on scarves, gloves and hats however these items are also easily lost so please make sure that you put your child's name in them so that they are easily identifiable — if you could write their name on with permanent marker pen that would be fantastic!



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Head of Nursery



