



Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

Wednesday 14th September 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our new school year! We are pleased to see that all of our returning children have come back eager to learn and play. We would like to give a very warm welcome to our lovely new children and their families who have joined our THNS family over the last two weeks.

The beginning of this school year has already been unusual as we learned of the death of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday 8th September 2022. Many of the families at our nursery will have never known another monarch and many may not even have known that it was possible for the job to be done by anyone else. The Queen has, quite simply, always been there, calm, assured and actually remarkably unchanged for all that time.

I am aware that some of you have already had the opportunity to travel to Buckingham Palace in order to pay your respects to the Royal family. I can confirm that the nursery will be **closed** on Monday 19th September 2022 to allow families and staff to watch the Queen's state funeral and pay their respects and thanks.

Jeans for Genes Day: Friday 23rd September 2022

On Friday 23rd 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 available as you drop off your child to the nursery. The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic disorder and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected.



Macmillan Cake Sale: Friday 30th September 2022



The Macmillan coffee morning has become an annual event at THNS although over the last few years we have been restricted by the covid pandemic. This year we are able to invite you to join us for coffee, cake and a chat, this is a wonderful opportunity to meet other families at THNS as well as raise money for the Macmillan Charity. If you would like to kindly donate cakes / biscuits for us to sell, then please send these into school on Thursday 29th September 2022. This has always been a popular charity event and we usually raise in excess of £100 and it would be fantastic to reach this target again!

Changes to communication

In order to become a more Eco friendly school, I have decided that this will be the last paper based newsletter that you will receive. From now on you will receive newsletters via your email address. The newsletter is also available on the website (THNS.org) and it is also displayed in the noticeboard outside of the main entrance of the nursery on Pridham Road and on the decking area of the nursery room. On average I use over 1000 sheets of paper a year sending out newsletters so I am sure that you will agree that this change will make a contribution to keeping our environment more eco friendly.




Tapestry

We are busy adding all of your details and contact information to Tapestry. Within the next two weeks you should receive an email about how to set up your Tapestry account (fingers crossed!) and you will then start to receive photographs to show how busy your child is during their time at the nursery.

Safeguarding

Please remember to notify us if somebody different to the "norm" will be collecting your child. This is imperative to our safeguarding procedures. It is particularly vital at the beginning of the year when we might not have met all family members. We operate a password system whereby you must give the office (if you telephone to notify us) or your child's keyworker a password that you have agreed with the person collecting your child. **If we have not been notified of this we will not let the child go until we have contacted the person that usually collects.**



Head of Nursery

Please check our fabulous nursery website for the most up to date news, events and information:
www.thns.org

