



# Thornton Heath Nursery School Newsletter

## Friday 15th September 2023



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.

After quite a wet and dreary summer holiday period it has been fantastic to watch the children enjoying their learning in the sunshine although we did have to bring the hosepipes out on a couple of days to keep the children (and staff) cool!

The autumn term is always a busy one with lots of events for both the children and their extended families. The dates for these can be found on our website [Events Calendar | Thornton Heath Nursery School \(thns.org\)](#). You will also find weekly news stories on our website which give you an insight in to the learning that your child has experienced over the week [News | Thornton Heath Nursery School \(thns.org\)](#)

New to the nursery? 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

### Jeans for Genes Day: Friday 22nd September 2023

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 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 29th September 2023



The Macmillan coffee morning has become an annual event at THNS. This year we would like to invite you to join us for coffee, cake and a chat from 08.45am - 09.30 or 12.45pm - 13.30pm. 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 by Thursday 28th September 2023. 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!

### International Afternoon: Wednesday 4th October 2023 4pm - 5pm

On **Wednesday 4th October** we will be hosting our popular 'International Day' event, where we celebrate the dynamic and diverse community that we have at Thornton Heath Nursery School. I will send out further information about this event nearer the date.



### Walk in Wednesday!

On **Wednesdays** parents / carers are invited in to the nursery learning environments to engage in early learning with their child. For morning children you will need to arrive between 08.30—08.45am and afternoon children between 12.30 - 12.45 pm. At the moment this is the **only day** that parents are to enter the nursery learning spaces. On all other days you are able to bring your child to the cloakroom corridor (2 year olds to the classroom door) where you can help them take off their coat, hang it up and say "Goodbye". Many thanks to those of you that are already following this routine.


### 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](http://www.thns.org)

# Dates for your diary - Autumn term 1 2023



**Week beginning 18th September 2023: Meet your keyworker (you should have received a letter about this already).**

**Friday 22nd September : Jeans for Genes day - see posters in the nursery**

**Friday 29th September : Macmillan coffee and cake event**

**Wednesday 4th October : International afternoon - more information to come**

**Friday 6th October : Harvest Festival - more information to come**

**Wednesday 18th October : Nursery curriculum meeting for parents**

**Friday 20th October : Show racism the Red Card—more information to come**