

# Thameside Primary School

## Headteacher's Newsletter

September 2018 No 1



A very warm welcome back after the summer holiday to what is my final term after 10 years at Thameside!

Once again we have worked hard during the summer holidays to ensure the learning environment is constantly improving and a big thankyou to Mr Harvey and Miss Fordred for the painting of some of the classrooms and the entrance hall! Also good to see that the grass on the quad is green again after the long hot summer!

We look forward to sharing with you all the exciting things we will get up to this term and as always to working in partnership with you.

Please do not hesitate to speak to me or the Phase leaders if you have any queries.

### Dogs on site



A reminder that no dogs are allowed on site under any circumstances UNLESS they are assistance or therapy dogs.

Many thanks for your continued cooperation in this matter.

A graphic with a blue border. At the top left is the school logo featuring a swan and the text "THAMESIDE Primary School". To the right is a photo of a woman with a speech bubble that says "Want to find out what we're getting up to?". Below the photo are the Facebook and Twitter logos with the text "LIKE US ON facebook" and "follow us on twitter". At the bottom right, it says "Find us or follow the Facebook link on our school website!" and "@ThamesideSch".

## Staffing news

Congratulations to Miss Stevenson who got married during the summer holiday and is now Mrs Fidgett. Miss Sherratt has left Thameside and we welcome two new teaching assistants: Miss Campbell and Miss Sheppard.

As this is my last term at Thameside the governors will be keeping you informed about the recruitment process.

There is a staff list on the next page for your reference.

## Severe allergies and packed lunches

**PLEASE**



**NO PEANUTS  
OR  
NUT PRODUCTS**

We have a child in school with a severe nut allergy. I would be grateful if you could provide packed lunches for your own children that are made with nut free ingredients. For school lunches, Chartwells operate a nut free service.

## Cool Milk Scheme

- Free milk is provided to children who are under 5.
- If parents would like to purchase milk for children who are 5 and older please order at [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) or collect an order form from the school office.
- Children who are eligible for income-based free school meals are eligible for free milk. Please order at the school office if you are interested.

## Jewellery including earrings

A reminder that jewellery must not be worn to school with exception of watches and small silver or gold plain stud earrings.

## Outside of school

A reminder that children wearing our uniform outside of school are ambassadors for the school and we would expect that they behave as such. Please let us know if this is not the case!

## Curriculum sharing evenings

Please come along this week and find out the expectations of your child's year group regarding expectations in lessons, how reading works, how and when homework is set, as well as how to make the most of the resources on the website.

Year 1	Wednesday 19 Sept 6pm
Year 2	Wednesday 19 Sept 6.30pm
Year 3	Thursday 20 Sept 6pm
Year 4	Thursday 20 Sept 6.30pm
Year 5	Tuesday 18 Sept 6pm
Year 6	Tuesday 18 Sept 6.30pm

## Attendance

We have had a great start to the year with attendance currently standing at 98% (our target for the year is 96%).

Please phone the office before 9.30 am to let us know if your child will be absent.

We expect all children to be punctual every morning—they should be in class by 8.55am ready for registration.

## Free school meals

All children in Foundation Stage, Year 1 & Year 2 are entitled to free school meals. If your child is absent from school please remember to cancel these before 9am. The school pays for any meal that is ordered but not taken. Last year this cost us

**£800**

## Staffing 2018—19

Team	Year	Class	Teacher	SEN support	LSA
Founda- tion Stage (Red Team)	FS	RLH	Miss Hill Mrs O'Donovan (Fri)	Mrs Chowdhury	Mrs Vugler
	FS	RSC	Mrs Cooney		Mrs Lamb
	<b>Mrs Thomas (Team Leader)</b>				
KS1 (Yellow Team)	1	YBW	Ms Brown (Mon, Tues, Wed) Mrs Williams (Wed, Thurs, Fri)	Miss Roseaman	Mrs Wahab
	1	YBF	Mrs Fidgett (was Miss Ste- venson)	Mrs Solus	Miss Jennings
	2	YFM	Miss Mulligan		Mrs Moffatt
	2	YEJ	Mrs Jacobs Mrs Green (Tues)	Mrs Uddin	Miss Willis
<b>Mrs Burton ( Assistant Head Teacher and Team Leader)</b>					
KS2 Lower Juniors (Green Team)	3	GVH	Miss Huxley	Mrs Mukherjee	Miss Sheppard
	3	GKS	Miss Stokes		Ms Stone
	4	GAL	Ms Lazor Mrs Porter Fri		Miss Gogerly
	4	GHM	<b>Miss Maddock (Team Lead- er)</b> Mrs Porter Tues		Mrs Sandford
KS2 Upper Juniors (Blue Team)	5	BLE	Miss England		Mrs Dabrowski
	5	BCH	Miss Hagon Miss Osborne Tues		Miss Campbell
	6	BHR	Mrs Ray Miss Osborne Thurs		Mrs Gregory
	6	BIG	<b>Mr Gunn (Team Leader)</b>	Ms Nurse	Miss Baker
Other teaching/ support staff	<b>Mrs Greenaway (DHT; PPA)</b> <b>Miss Rollinson (Inclusion Manager)</b> <b>Mr Brightman (ICT Technician currently on Shared Parental Leave)</b> <b>School ELSA: Miss Clark</b>				

Date	Year groups	Event	Time
Tuesday 18th September	6	WW2 workshop	
Tuesday 18th September	5/ 6	Curriculum sharing evening	6pm/ 6.30pm
Wednesday 19th September	FS	Photographer from Reading Chronicle	
Wednesday 19th September	1/ 2	Curriculum sharing evening	6pm/ 6.30pm
Thursday 20th September	3/ 4	Curriculum sharing evening	6pm/ 6.30pm
Week beginning Oct 1st	5	Bikeability	
Week beginning Oct 1st	ALL	Parent teacher meetings	various
Tuesday 9th October	All	Parent workshop—reading (particularly useful for new parents)	6pm
Wednesday 10th October	YR – Y5	Nasal flu vaccinations	
Thursday 18th October	Y5	Harvest festival	tbc
Tuesday 6th November	All	Individual school photos	
Monday 12th November	5	Junior Music Festival at The Hexagon	evening
Saturday 1st December	all	TSA Christmas Fair	
Tuesday 11th December	FS	Foundation Stage Nativity performance to parents	2pm
Thursday 13th December	Y1/2	Christmas production performance to parents	1.45pm
Friday 14th December	Y1/2	Christmas production performance to parents	9.30pm
Tuesday 18th December	FS/1/2	Christmas parties	
Wednesday 19th December	All	Christmas lunch	
Tuesday 8th January	6	Update meeting for parents re RYG residential	7pm
20th—25th January	6	Residential visit to Rhos y Gwaliau	
Monday 4th March	All	M & M productions—The Hobbit	
Week beginning 4th March	All	Parent teacher meetings	Various
Tuesday 12th March	All	Assessment workshop for parents	6pm
Tuesday 23rd April	All	Maths workshop for parents	6pm
Thursday 16th May	4	Year 4 camp begins	3.15pm
Tuesday 25th June	New FS	Meeting for new parents	6pm
Tuesday 9th July	All	Sports Day Y3—Y6 FS/ Y1/ Y2	Morning Afternoon
Wednesday 24th July	6	Leavers assembly	2.15pm

PLEASE SEE SEPARATE SHEET FOR TERM DATES