

Thames View News

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MARCH 2021



A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It is a year to the day since the first National Lockdown on the 23rd March, and, on that day, I spent some time reflecting on the year for the children, the school, the teachers and staff. And, of course, you - the parents.

We have come such a long way since then. The children of Thames View Junior School have really demonstrated resilience, determination and courage. They have been determined to get things right remotely, and were patient when Teams could have driven them all mad. Even now, when returning to school again on the 8th March, they were all ready, and eager to get back on with their work in the classrooms.

I am thankful each and everyday for the staff at TVJ, and this year has been a real learning curve for us all. We have developed so many IT skills that we didn't know we had and created new routines, in school with the children, in order to keep them safe while here.

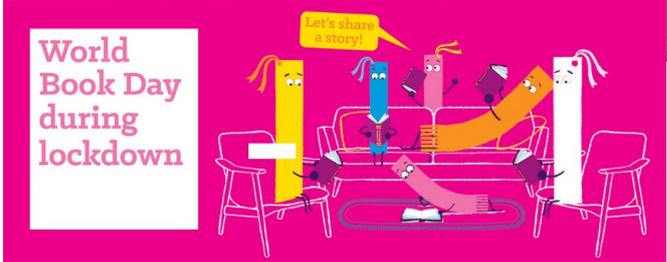
All of this would not have been possible with out the support and patience of you, the Parents. You have worked incredibly hard during remote learning whilst also juggling your own commitments at home. I am glad that , a year on, we are back in school, and that there is some light at the end of what has seemed like a very long tunnel.

Mrs. Anthony



WORLD BOOK DAY 2021

World Book Day was a bit different this year. We invited the children at home to dress up as book characters and share them with us! There were some great outfits and some great books too!



RECOMMENDED READS

This month we have asked Miss Bowles to recommend some of her favorite books for the children to read.

Miss Bowles recommends...

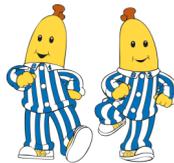


- The Kid Who Came From Space - Ross Welford
- A Double Detectives Medical Mystery: The Cure for a Crime - Roopa Farooki
- Matilda by Roald Dahl



COMIC RELIEF

We had a great day in our Pyjamas for Comic Relief and raised £245!



COMIC RELIEF

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We understand that many of you are going through a challenging time. Please click on the link below to apply for FSM if your circumstances have changed as your child may now be entitled to free lunches from the government:

[Free School Meal Application](#)



DIARY DATES

Thursday 1st April

Break up for Easter Holidays

12:45 pm Year 3 & 5

1:00 pm Year 4 & 6

Thursday 29th & Friday 30th April

Year 5 Bikability

Friday 30th April

Ash & Elm Class Assemblies on Teams

Thursday 6th & Friday 7th May

Year 6 Bikability

Friday 7th May

Oak & Fir Class Assemblies on Teams

Friday 14th May

Willow & Pine Class Assemblies on Teams

Friday 21st May

Sycamore & Poplar Class Assemblies on Teams

Friday 28th May

Maple & Chestnut Class Assemblies on Teams

Friday 28th May

Break up for half term

PARENTS MEETING

Parent meetings will be taking place after the Easter Holidays. In the next few days, you will be sent booking information via ParentMail. All Parent/Teacher meetings are planned to take place virtually, via Teams. Once booked, invites to these meetings will be sent out via your child's school Teams Account.



COVID 19

Please remember to isolate and stay at home as soon as you (or any of your family) have COVID symptoms and let the school know.

The symptoms are:

- A high temperature
- Persistent cough
- Loss of taste and smell

While you are at home, please book a test straight away, and inform the school of the result. It really will help us to keep everyone as safe as possible. Remember: Hands, Face, Space.



EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

This year we will be having our very first Easter Bonnet competition. One pupil from each class will be chosen as a winner each receiving an Easter Egg Prize.

Bonnets or hats can be made from card, paper, or using a baseball cap/sunhat/woolly hat as a base. They should then be decorated with things linked to Easter. It could be flowers, signs of new life such as lambs, chicks and chocolate eggs. It can be anything linked to Easter.

In order to enter the children must bring their bonnet into school on the 1st April.

We can't wait to see all of the entries!

