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School News

Parent Questionnaires

Thank you for your responses so far. We are keen to listen to your views, and are grateful to have received so many positive comments; the school staff work so hard and really appreciate it.

We will take on board your suggestions and will work with you to ensure that our pupils are happy, enjoy school life and achieve well.

Thank you as always for your support, particularly at this busy and special time of year.

Weekly Attendance

Class R – 96%

Year 1 - 90%

Year 2 – 95%

Year 3 – 94%

Year 4 – 94%

Year 5 – 94%

Year 6 – 91%

Special mention certificates competition

We are asking the children to redesign the certificates we award to pupils during special mention assemblies. The themes for them are as follows: art (music, drama, dance, visual arts), PE, topic (science, geography, history) English/maths, Pastoral (being helpful, caring, responsible). If children would like to enter the competition they will be given a template on which to create their design at school. The closing date for the competition is Thursday 20th December.

Clubs

As the final week is very busy, all clubs will finish for the term next week with the exception of art and yoga which will run in the last week as normal.

In the spring term Team Activ will be running a gym club for pupils in years 2 to 6, from 8 – 8:50. As this is run by Team Activ there will be a charge of £25 for 13 sessions. Please call or pop in to the office to secure a place for your child. Payment can be made after Christmas.

Well done to the following pupils who received a Special Mention certificate in assembly today:

Class R – Luca, Matilda, Grace, James

Class 1 – Amelia T, Amy, Owen, Samuel

Class 2 – Charlotte, Oliver, Jack F, Rosie

Class 3 – Holly A, Oliver C, Imogen, Joel

Class 4 – Charlie, Andrew, Heidi, Ava-Lily

Class 5 – Lydia, Theo, Jacob, Lottie

Class 6 – Hannah, Lola, Katy-Rose, Rafe

Upcoming Events

Year 6 enterprise sale

Year 6 pupils are really getting into the swing of running their own businesses this term, and have already impressed us with the range and quality of the products or services they are providing. Well done to them all.

They will be selling their wares on Monday 17th December from 3:15 onwards in the school yard (school hall if the weather is poor) - please come along and support them... you may pick up a present or 2. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who are supporting the children with their project.

Infant trip

The children in classes R,1 and 2 are working hard rehearsing for the nativity which is in church in the last week of term (see details below). As a special treat they will watch The Elves and the Shoemaker at the Civic on Monday 17th December. They depart after 9am and will return in time for lunch. The children should wear school uniform as normal on this day.

Headlice

We have little visitors again – please be vigilant!

PFSA News

The PFSA will be running a tuck shop on 14th December in the school yard. Wrapped selection boxes will be on sale for £1 each.

Thank you to all who came to our Christmas Fayre on Friday and a special thank you to Isobel's grandma, who donated her proceeds to school funds, and to Harris and family for their very generous donation.

Polar Express Family Movie Night - £2.50 per ticket - Wednesday 12th December 2018. 5.30pm start
Tickets are still available for this event.

Christmas Dates

Tuesday 11th December

Christingle service in church 6:30

Wednesday 12th December

Polar express family night – 5:30 – school hall

Thursday 13th December

Christmas dinner + Christmas jumper wearing if you wish

If your child normally has sandwiches and they would like a dinner please let the office know. Cost of a lunch is £2

Monday 17th December

Classes R, 1 and 2 at Civic in the morning

Nativity dress rehearsal at 2pm in church - KS 2 pupils to watch

Tuesday 18th December

Class 3 and 4 Christmas party in the morning. Pupils may come in their party clothes for this. The children will enjoy party food for lunch. If your child has a packed lunch and you would like them to have party food please send £2.

Year 5 and 6 disco and buffet 3:30 – 5:30 in the school hall. Money is not needed. Pupils can bring party clothes and get changed at school.

Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th December

Class R, 1 and 2 Nativity in church at 2pm. We ask that family members wait in the church for 15/20 minutes after the performance to allow the children time to get changed. They can then be picked up from school. Refreshments will be served.

Friday 21st December

Singing Santa Stroll – led walk to school - meet at the village hall at 8:40 to join in the fun

Drama activities with KS 2 in the morning in classrooms

Christmas Jumper/ festive outfit Day

Sheila's Sporting News

Another week low on content but high in quality which we saw when 2 teams from Yrs 5/6 took part in Sportshall Athletics Competition at Penistone Grammar School on Monday. They each completed 6 different activities where their athletics skills were put to the test. Year 5 were amazing, but despite working really hard to the last event unfortunately could not finish in the final 3. However Y6 were triumphant and took first place.

As this was a qualifying event for the School Games, they now go through to the finals at Barnsley College next Thursday. We wish them well and know that whatever the result, they will be fantastic ambassadors for Thurgoland School.

On Wednesday a group of young ladies from Y5/6 delighted everyone when they competed in a Cheerleading Tournament at Darton Primary School. They were a delight to watch, demonstrating how hard they had worked with Miss Lane at their after school Club. They showed great energy and enthusiasm all through their routine, smiling confidently and making no mistakes. Their effort was rewarded when they were placed 2nd, giving them automatic entry to The School Games. Well done girls and well done Miss Lane who was also supported by Olivia, Scarlet's sister who has been helping out at Club. I'd just like to mention also that some of the teams had boys taking part and it was great to see the athleticism displayed. Perhaps we could have some boys joining the Cheerleading Club. Well done Team Thurgoland for being the amazing young people you are. We are very proud of you and I am very fortunate to have you as part of my sports' clubs too. As ever we are so grateful for the support we have from parents, grandparents and guardians; you make our competitions so much easier to attend. THANK YOU 😊