

Thurlow Church of England (VC) Primary School Newsletter Friday 10th May, 2024



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A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

What a great job Otters Class did in their Celebration Presentation this morning, I am so glad lots of you were able to come along!

All the children were very engaged in their enhancing PSHEE (Personal, Social, Health & Economic Education.) sessions with Annie from OM Health Consultancy on Tuesday giving consideration to being resilient as a main part of their inputs.

I am waiting for quotes from local arborists with regards the goat willow and sycamore trees around the pond area, once these works are undertaken the landscaping company will 'forge ahead', hopefully the support of B&Q in Haverhill and Tesco!

Like everyone I am hoping this sunshine sticks around ~ wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Warm regards, Mrs FitzGerald

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!!!!



PTA MEETING ~ ALL WELCOME! Wednesday 22nd May at 2.15pm



Along with members of the current committee, Mrs Feakes and I are hosting a meeting for <u>all PTA members</u> ~ remember every parent is automatically part of the School's PTA.

We will be looking at our calendar of events for the coming academic year and thinking about possible PTA fundraising activities as well as talking about roles within the committee ~ please come along ~ we need your support and there will be cake!!

Key Stage One	YEAR 2 Reading and Maths Assessments (Y2) Teacher Assessed Writing (Y2) Teacher Assessed Science (Y2)	ADMINISTERED IN MAY (OPTIONAL)
	YEAR 1 Phonics Check	ADMINISTERED Week beginning 10th June
Key Stage Tw o	YEAR 4 Multiplication Tables Check	ADMINISTERED Week beginning 10th June
	YEAR 6 KEY STAGE TWO ASSESSMENTS Monday 13th May ~ English Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling (GPS) & Spelling Tuesday 14th May ~ English Reading Paper Wednesday 15th May ~ Maths Paper 1 (arithmetic) & Paper 2 (Reasoning) Thursday 16th May ~ Maths Paper 3 Reasoning	ADMINISTERED Week beginning 13th May

We will be scheduling information sessions for parents as well as additional workshops / 'booster' sessions for the children in the coming weeks as necessary.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS ~ ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

With the current economic climate and continuing rises in costs to living, we wanted to remind families about accessing free school meals.

We strongly urge you to check, especially if your circumstances have changed or change unexpectedly and remember they are not just available if you are unemployed. The process is completely confidential and pupils entitled to and claiming free school meals are not identified in any way.

You can be reassured your child has access to a healthy, nutritious and tasty meal at lunchtime and is well nourished for an afternoon of learning.

In addition, the number of pupils registered will positively impact on school funding; in these tricky financial times this will provide much needed extra financial support to the school so please check and register, whether or not your child wishes to eat a school meal regularly.

CHECK HERE: APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

OFSTED'S 'BIG LISTEN'

This initiative was launched earlier this month by Sir Martyn Oliver, the new Ofsted chief. He is seeking feedback on their work and they are keen to hear from parents, carers and learners.

The consultation is due to end on 31st May, if you wish to participate the consultation can be access via this link: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/ofsted-big-listen

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please check back regularly as additional dates added as and when activities / visits are confirmed! <u>SUMMER TERM 2024</u>

Month of May ~ Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments

Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May ~ Year 6 National Curriculum Assessments

Friday 17th May ~ Butterflies Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Butterflies Class are invited to join us.

Tuesday 21st May ~ Renewable Farming Visitor ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, will be joined by a renewable farming expert to enhance their learning as part of their 'Sow, Grow & Farm' theme.

Friday 24th May ~ LAST DAY OF THE HALF-TERM

Summer Half-Term ~ Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

Monday 3rd June to Friday 7th June ~ ACTIVITIES WEEK ~ more details will follow

Monday 10th June May to Friday 14th June ~ Year 1 Phonics & Year 4 Multiplication Checks

Monday 10th June - Cambridge Botanic Gardens - Bumblebees Class

Bumblebees Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the gardens linked to their 'The Scented Garden' theme.

Thursday 12th June ~ 'NO JOKE' Play at Haverhill Arts Centre ~ Hares Class

Hares Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the Arts Centre to watch a performance of the play, 'NO JOKE'.

Friday 14 June ~ Bumblebees Class Presentation at 9am

Parents, carers and 'special others' of children in Bumblebees Class are invited to join us

Monday 17th June to Thursday 20th June ~ BIKEABILITY for Hares Class

Thursday 27th June ~ THURLOW SPORTS AFTERNOON

Join us from lunchtime for a picnic lunch followed by our sports afternoon

Friday 28th June ~ Fitzwilliam Museum Visit ~ Otters Class

Otters Class, along with their sister class at Hundon, will be visiting the museum linked to their 'Ancient Civilisations' theme.

Thursday 4th July ~ Year 6 Leaver's Trip to Pleasurewood Hills

Thursday 4th July ~ Years 3, 4 & 5 Inter-School Day

Inter-school activities with our sister school, Hundon ~ more details to follow

(Monday 8th July to Wednesday 10th July ~ Stour Valley Transition Days for Year 6)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER TERM 2024 continued...

Friday 12th July ~ Annual School Reports distributed

FRIDAY 12TH JULY ~ YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PRESENTATION at 9am

Year 6 Parents, carers and 'special others' are invited to this special celebration presentation

(Wednesday 17th July to Friday 19th July ~ Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

Wednesday 17th July and Thursday 18th July ~ 'MOVE UP' DAYS for all pupils

Friday 19th July ~ LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM









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