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A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Well, we are fast approaching December and only 15 school days away from the end of term - gosh, time is flying!

It has been a busy couple of weeks here at Thurlow, we have elected our new School Council, the children have participated in assessment activities as part of assessment week as well as their usual learning activities, we have hosted Open Morning and made it through the Christingle Service with musical accompaniment - hurray!

It was lovely so many of you were able to join us at St Peter's on Wednesday and yesterday's 'Funky Hair Day' in support of the Little Princess Trust was a great success thanks to your input with your children and their crazy hairstyles - thank you so much!

Next week we are looking forward to celebrating Advent as well as enjoying the Butterflies and Bumblebees nativity performances with Christmas Lunch and jumper day and our Carols on the Playground in the weeks ahead.

Best regards, Mrs FitzGerald

~ FUNKY HAIR DAY ~



From Rebecca...

Thank you all for the kind support you have shown me. Everyone's funky hair looked brilliant yesterday and from school I have raised £176.90!

I had said 15 inches but in the end when it was cut last night it was just over 16 inches!

As of this morning the total I have raised is £1642.76!!

If you haven't had chance to donate and would like to the link to Rebecca's page is here: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/rebeccas-big-cut>

Thank you!

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AT THURLOW

Across our school, for various reasons and circumstances, or perhaps related to learning need, difficulty or challenge, there are individuals in receipt of additional input.

This input can take a variety of forms. It may include an individualised timetable, particular adaptations to the school day, a personalised plan as well as the use of specific programmes and various interventions linked to defined areas of learning such as social development, early reading, an aspect of Maths etc..

This additional support may include directed learning support, work with one of our ELSA's (Emotional Literacy Support Assistants,) one-to-one input as part of an intervention and small group work.

Additionally, the school supports families in making referrals for the identification of neurodevelopmental conditions and, where appropriate, applying for assessments for Education Health Care Plans (EHCPs) as well as supporting families to access external specialist services and support agencies including School Nursing, Family Support Services, Young Carers and Children's Social Care.

As parents or carers, you need to know this is available to children who may be in vulnerable or difficult circumstances and you need to know this work is currently taking place. As parents and carers, I am sure you can understand it would not be appropriate to share more information than this for reasons related to privacy and confidentiality ~ children and their parents and carers should not know private and personal information about another child or family and what is or isn't in place to support them just as it would not be right to share private and personal information relating to your child or circumstances.

I share this information as I want to ensure there are no misunderstandings about what is or isn't happening or is or isn't being done in school for individuals.

If there is anything that you feel we are not aware of related to your child or their class it is, of course, your child's Class Teacher you need to speak to in the first instance. The easiest and quickest way is via our learning platform, Class Dojo. Our teaching team is very conscientious and will endeavour to respond within working hours, that is between 8am and 6pm (at the latest,) Monday to Friday or on the next working day.

If any parent has concerns regarding additional support at Thurlow or any other matter then I encourage you to make an appointment to see me.

Best regards, Mrs FitzGerald

FORTHCOMING EVENTS ~ AUTUMN TERM 2024

Thursday 5th December ~ Performances of our Butterflies & Bumblebees Class Nativity

Performances will be held at 9.30am and 2pm with two tickets allocated to each family for each performance. Please see further details on Class Dojo and in the separate letter sent home recently.

Wednesday 11th December ~ Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

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Wednesday 18th December ~ Carols on the Playground at 2.30pm

Friday 20th December ~ 'FANCY FRIDAY'

End of term parties & party clothes!

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER ~ LAST DAY OF THE AUTUMN TERM