Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 15 April 2021



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have noticed this week with the warmer weather



that fewer parents and carers have been wearing face coverings when entering the school premises and waiting outside classroom spaces at the end of the day.

Please continue to wear face coverings at all times on the premises as a means of protecting us all.

Can we also politely request that your child comes to school with a water bottle each day, please.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs L Billinghurst

Arriving Late

There are still a small number of pupils arriving late and then expecting to be able to order a hot school meal. Please remember that if your child is going to be late, **you must phone in before 9.15am** to order a dinner. Any pupils who arrive later than 9.15am and haven't ordered a dinner, will need to bring a packed lunch to school.

Class Dojo Reward System

Sapphire have raced ahead again this week in the Dojo scores. Big effort please next week and let's see if Diamond can move up the placings!

Scores	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire	Diamond
last				
week	984	994	1017	975

Virtual Parent Consultations

We are pleased to report that our first virtual parent consultation evenings were successful. They didn't quite go without a hitch, but the majority of parents were



able to connect with the teachers and discuss their child's progress. If you did have a problem and haven't already spoken to the class teacher, please contact them on the class email and they will arrange a meeting with you.

We are gathering parent views on how well you feel the remote approach worked and the strategies that we can use in the future. If you haven't already had your say, could you please spare a few minutes and complete the Google form by following this link

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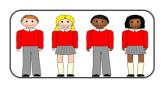
Times Table Rock Stars

Here are the scores for this week. Well done to Year 3 for taking on the lead from Year 4! Keep up the good work everyone!



School Uniform Please!

Can we ask that your child comes to school in the correct school uniform,



please? We are happy for them to wear an extra layer because of the need for windows to be open that isn't uniform but we've noticed an increasing number of children who aren't wearing the school jumper anymore and essentially are coming dressed as if it's a non-uniform day! Can we also point out that football boots are not suitable to be regarded as school shoes.

Journey to and from school

Thank you to those parents and carers who are walking to school as much as possible. The entrances are still seeing some congestion at peak times and we would ask that if you are having to drive to school, you park a short distance away from the entrances rather than drive right up to the gates and stop to let children out. This is especially important when the dropping off is happening on the zigzag lines or cars stopping in the middle of the road to let children out. This also presents as a road safety risk as other drivers are not always able to see

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these pupils as they are often 'hidden' by the vehicles parked alongside the kerbs.

There are often parking spaces in the roads leading to the school so please try

to use these to park in which will help with reducing the congestion outside the entrances.

Thank you for your support with this request.

PE NEWS

The P.E department would like to remind you that the weather is getting hotter and therefore pupils will need to start bringing in joggers, shorts and maybe a sun hat for P.E. in the case of rain or hot weather.



Please also remember that if your child wears earrings then they need to be taken out on P.E days or they need to be taped up. Hoop earrings are not to be worn to school, only stud earrings.

PE Team

Star of the Week

The children chosen this week were;

1P - Ivy-Rose M

1L - Charlie G

1J – Hunter K

1H - Alesia T

2P – Alan K

2A – Sienna F

2W - Khaleed S

2B - Stavros T

3P - Ajitha R

3A - Adam M

3S - Riley W

3D - Jayden W

4R - Drake L

4A – Lexi B

4K - Esiri S

4W - Adrian S

5ST – Elizabeth E 5S – Libby M 5U – Maya M



5A – Anthony D 6R - Maria V 6S – Judy S 6C - Inaya A Footsteps 1 – Patrick W Footsteps 2 - Wiktoria

And finally..... Brilliant Club Graduation

Twelve year 6 pupils have taken part in The Brilliant Club's Scholars Programme and will attend a graduation ceremony on Tuesday linked to **Goldsmiths, University of London.** The programme gives pupils from disadvantaged areas the opportunity to work with a PhD researcher to experience university style learning. This helps pupils develop the skills, knowledge and confidence to secure a place at a highly selective university.

All our pupils successfully completed their assignments during lockdown which was very challenging for them in the circumstance. They all achieved high marks and should be very proud of themselves. The tutor commented,

'Your students did very well - one of the best classes I've taught.'

Well done and congratulations to you all.

Mrs Kent

