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Newsletter April 2019

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Reflection

At Thomas's Academy, we believe that the ability to reflect on external and internal feedback is integral to success. Pupils have been learning how being reflective can assist them in becoming a better learner.

House Teams

Thistle, Rose, Shamrock, Daffodil – which House Team are you a member of? House teams are a very important part of Thomas's Academy. They provide a brilliant opportunity for collaboration. We have new logos for each house as a result of the competition that many children entered. Roses – it's your turn to dress in your colour on 24th April.



Red Nose Day

On 15th March, pupils wore red clothing and donated £350.00 for this charity. All profits were sent directly to Comic Relief. Thank you so much for your contributions and to the office for selling the merchandise.

Oracy Week (1st - 5th April)

From poetry to speeches, discussions to debates, this is a week to use your voice! We are learning to speak and listen well in all of our learning at the Academy and this is a special week set aside to develop those skills and have a chance to speak in front of an audience. We're looking forward to some impassioned, expressive performances from all ages!



Upcoming Events

April 2019

1st: Oracy Enrichment Week

1st: Primary Maths Challenge

3rd: Y1 to Pizza Express

4th Y5 to Kew Gardens

5th: Y6 safety workshops

5th: Spring Term Break – finish at 2pm

23rd: INSET day

24th: Children return to school for Summer Term

24th: (day after St George's Day) Rose House wear red

29th: Summer Term Clubs begin

May 2019

2nd: Year 4 – Explore Learning Workshop

8th: Reception at Pizza Express

13th: Year 6 Assessment Week

15^{th:} National Numeracy Day

20th: Social Enterprise Enrichment Week

21st: Year 3 – Explore Learning Workshop

27th-31st May Half Term

Thomas's Academy places the safeguarding of children's welfare as our very highest priority. If you have any concerns about a child's safety or welfare, inside or outside school, please contact one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads or call us on the number above.

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The Classical Road Show

On 18th March, Year 4 had the fantastic opportunity to sing at Cadogan Hall, as part of The Classical Road Show. They were accompanied by The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, as well as children from schools all across London. It was amazing, watching and listening to the songs come alive, in such an impressive venue. We look forward to future collaboration.

NSPCC Fundraising

Well done to everyone for raising \pounds 447 for this charity. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. Well done to Miss White for organizing this.



Breakfast Club

For £3 a day, pupils from nursery to Y6 may attend breakfast club from 8am. It is run by staff at Thomas's Academy.

Please sign up at the office if you'd like your child to come along.

Home Learning Club

The library/computing room is open for pupils accompanied by a parent/carer to complete home learning tasks on a Monday after school. Miss Geordie is around to support this. All children have to do is turn up with their home learning and their book – no need to book!

School Crossing Patrol

After years of us asking, the council have advertised for the paid position of 'school crossing patrol' at the junction of Munster Road and New King's Road. This is an opportunity to help pupils at our school to safely cross this road. The position is for 10 hours per week. If you would like to apply for this post, please do so online at:

http://ats-

Ibhfjobs.jobsgopublic.com/vacancies/view/81847

Alternatively, please see Miss Kelly who can help with the application process. The post is open to members of the public also so please ask others you know.

Uniform

Please ensure that pupils are wearing **full school uniform.** Please be reminded that school shoes should be black and that trainers or boots are not permitted. School coats, hats and scarves are available at

Sogan's. Please label all items so they can be returned to their owner if lost. We also advise **adding a unique key ring to the zip of coats** so that children can identify their coat quickly. REMINDER: Rec-Y2 Book Bag (House Colours), Y3-6 Thomas's Academy Backpack.

Absences

Please be reminded to call the school office each morning when your child is off school. You may also email to absent@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

Our school is committed to promoting the welfare of your child through regular school attendance. All holidays taken during term time will be considered as unauthorised and may incur a penalty charge.

Kidzania for Best Attenders

As we have done for the last two years, we intend to take 40 children to Kidzania at the end of the academic year as a reward. The criteria to be chosen includes that a child has no unauthorized absences and that their attendance is at least 97%. This is open to all children from reception to year 6.

Birthdays

We will always celebrate a child's birthday if they wish us to however, please be reminded to not send in cakes on these occasions. If you wish to bring in something to be shared, please choose a healthy option such as fruit.

London Marathon Sponsorship

One of our parents is running the London Marathon this month to raise funds for 'Hearing Dogs for Deaf People'. Some of you may remember that the charity visited our school and the pupils got to meet one of the amazing trained dogs. If you would like to contribute, please visit the website:

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/MarieTeather Good Luck to this mummy!

Change in personal details

Please remember to let the office know if you change any details such as your address or phone number. We are increasingly using e-mail as a form of communication so please let the office know your email address if you haven't already. Also, please let your child's teacher know if somebody different will be collecting your child.

HAVE A GOOD EASTER BREAK!

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