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### Busy Busy Busy....

You'll notice that there's lots going on in March so please make a note of important dates. You won't want to miss out! The calendar on our website includes upcoming dates too! The address is: [www.academy.thomas-s.co.uk](http://www.academy.thomas-s.co.uk).

### Charity Week

What an amazing week the pupils had during the final week of last half term learning about charity. Thank you so much to Miss Wright for organising it. Pupils listened with interest to our many visitors. Please see our **blog** on the school website for more details and pictures. A total of £414.89 was made for the Cairn Trust Charity. The money will send 4 children to school for a year in Nepal, so it makes an incredible difference to the lives of children in the rural hill villages. Thank you to everyone for your contributions.

### Assemblies

Parents are welcome to their child's assembly. These are at 9am.

Year 5: 3rd March 2016

Year 4: 10th March 2016

Irish Dancing performance:  
17th March 2016

### Monthly Cake Sales

Year 2 raised £120.00 last month – well done. Next is the turn of **year 3 on 4<sup>th</sup> March**. It is intended that this is run by parents so please help to sell cakes if you can.

### Ballet Performance

On 23<sup>rd</sup> February, our Years 4 & 5 classes joined with Parayhouse School to watch a performance by London Children's Ballet this morning. These talented young dancers, aged 9-16, performed highlights from Snow White to rapturous applause from the eager audience.

### Fire Safety

On 24<sup>th</sup> February, Years 2 & 5 learnt about Fire Safety from the school safety officer.

### Readers Cup

On 3<sup>rd</sup> March, seven selected Year 6 pupils will be travelling to Thomas's Clapham to take part in The Readers Cup. Between them, they have read the books are now ready to answer questions on these books and others. Good luck.

### Book Day – 4<sup>th</sup> March

Lots of exciting activities are planned for this day including 'decorate a door' and making 'zig zag books'. Pupils may dress up as a book (not TV/Disney) character on this day and they will receive a book voucher. We will be holding a **reading meeting for parents** on this day at 9am which everyone is welcome to. Information will be provided about reading at Thomas's Academy and how to help at home.

### Sayers Croft

Years 5 & 6 are looking forward to this residential trip on 7 – 9<sup>th</sup> March. Kit lists and timetables are available in the office. Remember to arrive by 8.15am on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

### Classical Road Show

On 14<sup>th</sup> March, Years 3 & 4 will be travelling to Cadogan Hall in Chelsea to watch a performance of The Classical Road Show's FIRE performed by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

### Parents Evening

This will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2.20pm – 6pm. For nursery parents, appointments will be held during the week as there are many more of you! Letters will be going out shortly in order that appointments can be booked.

### Art Buddies

On 16<sup>th</sup> March, Year 4 are meeting up with their buddies at Thomas's Clapham to complete yet another piece of amazing art. Their last piece is posted on the blog and will be up in our school hall soon.

### Spring Raffle

The parents Community are requesting Easter eggs for our Spring Raffle. Tickets are available to buy in the playground. The draw take place after school on 23<sup>rd</sup> March.



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### **Top Attenders**

Following the fantastic trip to KidZania by 74 of our best attenders, we have decided to repeat this reward. At the end of the Summer Term, Thomas's Academy will be taking 60 pupils with the best attendance and punctuality to KidZania, London.

### **Parents Community**

The next coffee morning that all parents are invited to is 11<sup>th</sup> March at 9am in the Welcome Room. If you have anything you'd like to be discussed, please put a note in the comments box which is in reception. All parents/carers are welcome to attend to find out more about this group and get involved in school activities.

### **Enrichment Week- SCIENCE**

For the last week of this term everyone will be coming off usual timetable to learn about all things Science! There will be visitors to the school, trips to the Science museum, some of our classes will be going to Fulham College Boys School to conduct Science experiments in their laboratories! Meanwhile back in the classrooms there will be daily Science investigations taking place. It will be an exciting week for all. We'll be inviting parents in to school during the week to share in the weird and wonderful learning that will be happening.

### **Summer School Uniform**

Sogans (our uniform supplier) will soon be stocking a lightweight Summer Jacket. Caps are available now. During the Summer Term and first half of the Autumn Term, pupils will be required to wear the Summer uniform. A letter will be sent home with more details about this.

### **PE Kits**

To participate fully in the lessons, it is essential that pupils are in the correct clothing. Please also ensure that P.E. kits are named in order that lost kit can be returned to correct person. Registers will be taken in order that parents of pupils without kit will be contacted.

### **School Uniform**

We are considering including a summer jacket as part of our school uniform. If you have any feedback, please speak to Anna or Yasmin in the office or email us. Please be reminded that pupils should be in **school shoes** (not boots or trainers). The pupils look very smart when the uniform is worn consistently.

### **Water Bottles**

Please ensure children have a filled water bottle and that it is cleaned daily.

### **Book Amnesty**

Many of our new and popular books have not been seen for quite some time! If you have any school reading books at home that you have finished with, please return them to the library so they can be enjoyed by others.

### **Parent Readers**

If you have some regular spare time to hear children at our school read, please collect a DBS form from the office and let them know your availability.

### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club is open for pupils at 8am. The cost is £2 per day. Please let Anna or Yasmin know if you are interested in your child attending.

### **Parent View**

You can share your views about our school on the parent view website. This also informs us of what you think we are doing well and what we can improve with.

### **Contact Information**

Please ensure the office have been informed of any changes to your details in order that you receive all texts, emails and phone calls.

### **School Closures**

Due to the school being used as a polling station for the mayoral elections, school will be shut to pupils (except for Year 6 - sorry) on 5<sup>th</sup> May. We are also closed on 23<sup>rd</sup> June due to the EU Referendum.