St. Thomas' School News

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Events of the Week

Week beginning

14.6.21

<u>15.6.21</u>

Cricket for class 4

<u>16.6.21</u>

Cricket for class 5

<u>17.6.21</u>

Class 5 sponsored walk

<u>18.6.21</u>

Class 4 swimming

Flower in your hat day (see main newsletter for further details)

Message from the Headteacher

Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun

Ecclesiastes 11:7

It was lovely to welcome everyone back to school after the half term break and for once, we had the perfect weather for a school holiday! However, the weather wasn't on our side yesterday when we tried to follow the solar eclipse (safe of course). It was just too cloudy to notice any changes, so some classes watched it online instead.

Next week, be on the lookout for letters about the next classes for your children. Only children in current reception year, year 1, and year 4 children will receive

one. All current year 2 children will be in class 3, all current year 3 children will be in class four and all current year 5 children will be in class 5.

Dropping Off and Collecting Children from school

From Tuesday 8th June, arrangements are changing for drop off and pick up.

Classes 1 and 2 will be let into school at 8.40am and classes 3, 4 and 5 at 8.50am. Class 5 are still to use the Huddersfield Road entrance. Classes 1 and 2 will leave at 3.10pm and classes 3, 4 and 5 will leave at 3.20pm. Class 5 will still leave by the Huddersfield Road entrance. Siblings arrive and leave together at the earliest time in the morning and the later time in the afternoon.

This is to give the younger children experience of being with more children at arrival and drop off times. The timings are also more in line with our normal school day, which we will hopefully be able to return to in September.

Please bear in mind the arrival time. The gate will not be open before 8.40am, so try to arrive in time, but not too early! Thank you.

From the Office...

- Please book **dinners** for your child by midnight on Sunday
- Class two's trip to Chester Zoo will be on Wisepay next week

Flower in Your Hat Day



Friday 18th June is 'wear a flower in your hat day', this is to support Brain Tumour Research. This charity is an important charity for our school, as we have past and present pupils at school directly affected by brain tumours, so we would like your support in fund raising for this very worthwhile charity.

We would like children to come to school on Friday wearing a hat with a flower in it and bring a donation that we can then present to the charity. Further information about the charity can be found at https://www.braintumourresearch.org/

Coronavirus Reminders and Changes to Procudures

Children need to have **PCR** tests if they are displaying any symptoms. This includes the **extended list of symptoms for children** (headache, sore throat, runny nose, sneezing, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhoea) form Public Health. Children and their families need to self-isolate until their test results come back.

Please report any **test results** to the school as soon as possible, including over the **weekend**s and school holidays, so that I can complete the track and trace expectations. Results should be emailed to <u>rwilliams@stthomasnewhey.co.uk</u> **outside of school hours**, including weekends and school holidays.

In the event of **a bubble closure**, parents will be notified at the earliest opportunity and children will then need to **self-isolate for 10 days**. All **members of the school bubble** will also need to go for a **PCR test** to aid the infection control process. A negative result of this type of testing, does not mean that isolation is over, members of the **school bubble would still need to continue to isolate**.

If anyone is asked to self-isolate through the track and trace process, including by school, they must self-isolate. It is against the law to break isolation in the event of being a close contact of a positive person and fines could be issued.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Parent's Association News

Frozen Fridays Are Back!



Members of the Parent Team will be in the playground after school every Friday selling ice Iollies for 50p each.

Save the Date....

(Some of these dates are subject to Covid restrictions lifting)

Thursday 17th June – Class 5 Sponsored walk

Friday 18th June – wear a flower in your hat day in aid of Brain Tumour Research

Tuesday 22nd June – proposed new intake visit and separate meeting with parents (letters will be sent out to parents shortly)

Wednesday 23rd June – proposed sports day afternoon (weather and restrictions permitting)

Friday 25th July – Sunday 27th July – Year 6 Adventure weekend

Monday 28th June – Bikeability for year 5 children (4 consecutive days)

Tuesday 29th June – Ned Virtual assembly (Mind set Mission) letters will be going home about this

Thursday 1st July – Balance Bike training for reception children and year 1 children that missed in March

Friday 2nd July – Class 5 Cake Bake

Monday 5th July – School Uniform Exchange

Tuesday 6th July – Hollingworth Transition Day, whole school transition day and new intake visit

Wednesday 7th July - Hollingworth Transition Day

Thursday 8th July – class 4, film making afternoon

Monday 12th July – End of Year reports

Tuesday 13th July – Sports day option 2

Wednesday 14th July – class 5 production of 'Ali Baba'

Friday 16th July – Class 5 trip to Blackpool

Wednesday 21st July – Leaver's Service in St. Thomas' Church.