



THOMAS FAIRCHILD

newsletter

Friday 2nd February, 2024

Headteacher's Message

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe we are almost at the end of spring 1 term! Although it has been a particularly short term, we have packed in a lot of learning through our exciting spring curriculum topics. Thank you to all the families who have returned their wonderful homework projects. If you haven't yet returned these, we look forward to seeing them.

Next week we are hosting our Safer Internet Day parent session. The session is on **Wednesday 7th February at 9am**. We will share with you our recommendations for keeping our children safe on technology as well as sharing with you notices about new apps.



Please remember to keep an eye on upcoming events - there is lots happening over spring term and we really value your engagement and support. Please also share our news and celebrations with community families and friends.

Warm wishes,
Matt Trahair

Coming Up

citizens
advice

Free, confidential
advice continues
to be available.
Call to
book a session.

- Wednesday 7th February
Year 5 & 6 Stinger Bees Netball Tournament
Reception trip to the Museum of the Home
Safer Internet parent session, 9.00am
- Friday 9th February
Year 6 trip to the TFL Junior Citizenship event
Family Event Planning Meeting: 2.45pm
Reading Tea: Year 4, 3.00pm
- Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - **School closed**
- Monday 19th February - INSET day - **School closed**
- Tuesday 20th February
Travelling Book Fair arrives
- Wednesday 21st February
Come Learn With Me: Year 3, 9.00am
- Tuesday 27th February
Come Dine With Me: Year 5 & 6, 12.30pm
- Friday 1st March
Reading Tea: Year 3, 3.00pm

News & Celebrations

A Festive Fair

We are delighted to let you know that collectively we raised £774.73 whilst enjoying all the fun of our Family Festive Fair back in December. A HUGE thank you to our wonderful community for your support and a very special thanks to those families who helped plan and deliver our very first Festive event.



We would now like to invite you to our next event planning meeting on **Friday 9th February, 2.45pm** where we will be setting a date for our EID celebration and exploring next steps in formalising our Thomas Fairchild Family Event & Fundraising Association. All very welcome, refreshments too!

Sports Success!

Year 2 had a wonderfully well attended PE Come Learn with Me event this week. We really appreciated every family member who joined us.

Calm Corners

We have launched our new Calm Corners on both the KS1 and KS2 floors. This space is for children to use one at a time to support them when they are feeling upset. The space is resourced with activities to help identify the problem and find a solution. They can engage with breathing techniques or use fidgets to help them regulate ready for class!



Rackets Cubed Club

We have a number of children who have joined our latest club based out of Britannia leisure centre. Attendees have been introduced to a sport that is new to them, squash! They have thoroughly enjoyed learning how to play this fast paced game! This club also includes a maths tutoring session and a delicious meal!

our learning

Nursery

Nursery have been loving learning about Lunar New Year! They have learnt the story of The Great Race and performed their own Lion Dance to music.



Reception

Reception enjoyed their recycling workshop, where they learnt to look for the recycling symbol on packaging. They have been spotting where to put their own rubbish in the environment!



Year 1

Year 1 are loving learning how to move a robot using Beebots. They have explored different commands and then guessed what sequence of instructions their partner gave the robot.



Year 2

Year 2 enjoyed having lots of families join them for PE Come Learn with Me this week. They showed off their fitness, agility and climbing skills and had great fun!



Year 3

Year 3 welcomed their families in to the dining hall for a lovely meal together. It was so nice to see so many family members joining our pupils for a lunch time meal.



Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed their Come Dine with Me session this week. The students loved having their families join them for their lunch on Tuesday.



Year 5

5T really enjoyed the STEAM workshop. We looked at working collaboratively to build structures towards a real life context- well done to team Girl Power on their victory!



Year 6

Year 6 have started their new science unit on 'light'. They have enjoyed investigating the importance of light in order to see things and discussing how light travels in straight lines.

