



Thomas Russell Infants' School
'Our children blossom through nurture & challenge'
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Dear Parents

Year 2 Visit to John Taylor High School

On Tuesday afternoon the year 2 children visited John Taylor High School to participate in Bhangra dancing. The young ambassadors of John Taylor assisted the children to learn a complete Punjabi dance. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and to conclude the session the young ambassadors created an Olympic dance with our children's ideas

Early Years Curriculum Evening

Thank you to all of the Reception parents who attended the meeting on Thursday evening. We hope you found it useful and feel as though you know a little more about the Early Years curriculum.

School and Playground Rules

Thank you to those year 1 and 2 children who have already designed and made a poster and returned it to school. If your child has not had time yet there is still time as we need these in to school by Monday please.

Parent Consultations

Please ensure you return your slip if you have not already done so.

Open Day For Prospective Parents

Please remember to spread the word about our Open Day on Wednesday 17th October. School will be open from 9.30 - 11.00 am and 1.30 - 3.00 pm for prospective parents and children to take part in a guided tour. Visitors are welcome at any point during the above times

School Lunches - 'Lots Going On'



During the Easter holidays our school kitchen was converted to a cooking kitchen enabling Mrs Cullen and Mrs Gould to offer our children much fresher school dinners. We follow the Staffordshire County Council menu which uses locally sourced, healthy foods. In order to promote school lunches and encourage the 'less willing' children to try them, the kitchen will be running various theme days and competitions throughout the year. The first of these is the dinosaur theme day and competition on Friday 5th October. >br/>We would also like to enable all of our children to invite ONE parent or family member along for lunch with them at some point during the year.

Parent lunch for class 2K - Monday 22nd October

Parent lunch for class 2M - Thursday 15th November

Year 1 and Reception lunches to be announced for later on in the school year.

We hope you found the letter in book bags on Wednesday providing you with more information about all of these.

Safe Parking

We have had a number of parents reporting unsafe parking to us over the last few weeks but particularly during the bad weather. Please think carefully about where you park your car around school. Just because there are not yellow lines does not mean it is a safe place to park. Please use common sense. On Station Road, parking on the corner is not permitted and parking tickets will be issued by the local PCSO if seen parking here. The same applies to the corner on Holland Park. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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Brochures will be coming home soon from Northbrook Fundraising where you can buy beautiful wrapping papers of the season and raise funds for our school.

Workers of the Week

Our well deserving children for 'Worker of the Week' this week are:

2K - Jasmine Lakin for a clear explanation about the Great Fire of London

2M - Lexie Olbison for super work on the Great Fire of London

1W - Autumn Bowater for always trying her best

1S - Lottie Ward for working hard in phonics

Leni Sherratt for always working hard

Keep up the super work children!

Wishing you and your family a lovely weekend

Mrs Burton and Mrs Farmer

Co-Headteachers