



# Thomas Russell Infants' School

Our children blossom through nurture & challenge'

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## Newsletter No.5 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Dear Parents

Thank you to all parents, grandparents and other supportive family members who can along to support the reception children sing on Wednesday morning. The children sang beautifully and everyone enjoyed a drink and some cake. Thank you to the PTA who worked tirelessly to yet again raise money for the school.

Thank you also to everyone who attended and bought from the Boden party last night, we have our fingers crossed for a large profit once again.

### Governor Ballot

Congratulations to Amy Tipper and Lisa Farrell who will soon join our Governing body. Thank you to all of the nominees and to all of our parents who took the time to vote.

### Harvest Festival

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15 in the hall, is the harvest festival which 2 family members for each child are invited to. We ask that harvest donations are brought into school, items such as fruit, vegetables, packets and tins are ideal. The school council will be selling these items after the assembly and all profits will be going to an orphanage in Kenya. Our Year 2 children will also take a few hampers to some elderly residents in the village. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

### Leave of Absence in Term Time

You all know we are not permitted to grant leave of absence or 'holiday' in school term time. We are following local and national guidelines on this. We have met with Mrs Sharpe, Headteacher of Thomas Russell Junior School and after half term, all correspondence on this matter will come on joint letterheads. This is to demonstrate both schools are jointly in agreement of the guidelines and if you have a child in both of the schools a joint decision will be made.

### Burton Mail - Reception Photographs

We have been informed by the newspaper that the photographs taken earlier in the term of reception children will be published in the Burton Mail on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Copies will be available from Burton Mail offices or website. Please contact them directly if you wish to purchase a copy.



## Indoor Tennis

There is an Indoor Junior Sponge Tennis course at John Taylor Sports Hall on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November. First week, FREE taster session given to all new players. Please call/text Kate on 07400220020 or visit: [hotshotsacademy.net](http://hotshotsacademy.net) to book a place.

## PTA

In your child's book bag tonight you will find a Northbrook Fundraising brochure where you can buy beautiful wrapping papers and cards for Christmas and birthdays. Every item you buy raises 77p for the PTA so please take the time to have a browse.

A second hand uniform sale will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 9.00-9.30pm and also 3.00-3.30pm (on the school playground if dry or in the school entrance if wet). There are lots of clothes available, particularly from our Year 2 leavers and most are in very good condition. Please come along and grab yourself a bargain.

There have been a few queries regarding the date for the Halloween party. Please note that Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October is the correct date even though this day is an INSET day for the children.

## Workers of the Week

Our well deserving Workers of the Week this week are:

2M - Daniel Turner for super contribution on Year 2's Tamworth Castle trip

2K - Noah Evans for his enthusiasm and contribution on the Year 2 trip

1W - -Jessica Adkins for super sentence work

1S - Jacob Olbison for an excellent story of the Three Little Pigs

RR - Riley Ryder for fantastic 'Troll' acting

RL - Krystal Trinh for beautiful number formation when copying from a number line

Well done to all our hardworking children this week.

Thank you to everyone who has returned the reading survey, while we analyse them and look at your suggestions here are a few books recommended by our parents to keep you going this weekend.

The Great Pet Sale by Mick Inkpen

I Want My Hat Back by John Klassen

Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson

Dogs Don't do Ballet by Anna Kemp

Happy Reading!

Kind Regards

Mrs Farmer & Mrs Burton

