



Thomas Russell Infants' School

'Our children blossom through nurture & challenge'

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Dear Parents and Carers

Book Fair

Come along, browse and chose a lovely new book at this year's book fair. It is open from 3.00 - 3.30pm tonight and until Wednesday 5th February.

The year 2 reading club will be deciding which books to chose from the commission we will hopefully receive.

Author Visit

We are very excited to welcome a famous author into school next Tuesday as part of National Storytelling week. We are keeping his name a secret for now, but every class will enjoy listening to him, writing together and learning some new skills.

1W Parent Lunch

1W parents will find further information in book bags tonight.

Bedtime Story sessions

You will have received a letter in your book bags today telling you about 3 after school sessions designed to embrace a love of reading. We do hope you can come along with your child.

PTA News

Many thanks to everyone who attended the meeting on Monday. We had a really productive meeting and have a number of events for the next term which we will publish in a PTA Newsletter shortly.

PTA & School Finances

Each year school budgets are cut and as costs rise, this doesn't make for easy financial planning. We think it is important that you understand just how important it is to support the activities of the PTA. Next year's budget will be approximately £619,000 and 85% of this goes on staff salaries. This leaves 15% for all utilities, bills, resources, grounds, buildings etc.



a sterling job and last year raised enough money to buy all our IPADs, as well as paying for all school coaches on our educational visits, subsidising our Pantomime visit and books for the library.

The PTA have kindly agreed to support us in raising money this year for an outside trim trail and outdoor equipment for the children, as well as learning resources for across the school. Please, please support the events in any way you can, your help is very much appreciated.

Lunchtime Menu

Week beginning Monday 3rd February will be week 2 on the school menu.

Workers of the Week

Workers of the week this week are:

RR - Kenzie Uncles for fabulous cube counting

RL - William Yates for excellent listening skills

1S - Eve Greensmith for excellent reading

1W - Finley Cooper for practising hard with his handwriting

2M - Polly Hudson for fantastic PE skills

2K - Autumn Bowater for her determination in Numeracy working on fractions

Well done to all our children for their hard work this week.

Wishing you a happy weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Farmer & Mrs Burton

