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Newsletter April 2018

Thomas's Academy

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Upcoming Events

April 2018

23rd – Book Fair (whole week)

May 2018

3rd – School closed for local election except for Y6.

7th – School closed for Bank Holiday

14th – Art buddies from Thomas's Clapham working with Y4.

14th - 17th –Year 6 SATs

21st – Enterprise Enrichment Week.

22nd – 23rd - Reception hearing and vision

25th – Year 6 to Junior Citizenship Workshop

28th – Half Term

Website

The website includes a calendar and blog. It is frequently being updated so keep an eye on it for up to date information.

Twitter

You can now follow us on Twitter. Look up '@**ThomassAcademy**' to receive regular updates about what is going on.

Ofsted

The school was inspected at the end of last term. We would like to thank parents for their responses on Parent View. We would also like to thank the pupils on their exemplary behavior which was noticed by the inspector. The outcome of the inspection will be shared with you shortly.

Readers Cup

A huge well done to all the pupils in Year 5 and 6 who took part in this event. The pupils read set books and competed against other schools to answer questions related to them and books in general. It was a thrilling competition with Thomas's Academy coming 2nd. Thanks to Emma Osbaldeston for preparing the pupils so well by reading and discussing the books with the pupils weekly.



Please ensure that pupils have all of the obligatory school uniform items including the school coat. If your child is

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The pupils looked amazing dressed as book characters. Congratulations to the winners in each class who received a book as their reward. In addition to dressing up, pupils enjoyed lots of activities including decorating doors, hearing stories read by visitors and designing posters. Lots of photos can be seen on our blog but here's a few special ones.

If you wish your child to change to or from school dinners, please let the office know in advance. We request that this is only done at the end of a half-term. Packed lunches should be healthy and contain no nuts due to allergies in the school although a small treat is permitted on Fridays.

Home Learning Club

After school on Mondays, pupils and their parents are welcome to join Miss Joanna in the library/computing suite to complete home learning and/or access Maths Whizz. There's no need to sign up, you can just turn up as and when you need to. Remember to bring along your home learning with you. Pupils do need a parent with them.

Travelling to and from School

Thomas's Academy are developing a School Travel Plan which will be available to view on the schools website when it is finalised. In addition to promoting walking, scooting and biking to school, we also want to let parents and carers know about some of the initiatives available to them from the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham (LBHF). Did you know that LBHF offer free cycle training and maintenance courses to people living, working or studying in the borough? See their website for more information. <https://tinyurl.com/hkzj5hd>

Kidzania

As in the past two years, we are planning to take 50 pupils with the best attendance this academic year to Kidzania. This trip will take place in July.

Updated information

Please remember to let the office know if you change any details such as your phone number. We are increasingly using e-mail as a form of communication so please let the office know your email address if you haven't already.



Mindfulness

1/10 children aged 5 to 16 have a diagnosable mental health problem. At Thomas's Academy we always strive to support our children in every way that we can and therefore we are excited to say that 'Mindfulness' is being added to our curriculum. This term will mark the start of a continuing programme of Mindfulness for all classes from Y1-Y6. A link teacher from Thomas's Clapham will begin taking Mindfulness sessions with Y1 and Y2 this term on a fortnightly basis and then move to other year groups next academic year. All classes will be having shorter sessions through the week led by their class teacher.

Uniform

Absences

Please be reminded to call the school office each morning when your child is off school. You may also email to absent@academy.thomas-s.co.uk