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Website

The address of our website is: www.academy.thomas-s.co.uk and includes a calendar and blog. It is frequently being updated so keep an eye on it for up to date information.

Absence

For your convenience, we have set up a new e-mail address specifically for absence. If your child is away, you can now e-mail with all the relevant details to: absent@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

New Head Cook

We welcome the newest member of our kitchen staff: Marilyn. She comes highly recommended and we are looking forward to tasting the delicious lunch.

Best Attenders' Trip

Attendance and punctuality is very important as it has direct links with attainment. To reward those pupils with the best attendance and punctuality in the school, we will be taking them to Kidzania at the end of term.

Parents in the building

Keeping children safe is of upmost importance to us. We have many systems in place to ensure that children are safe at all times. For that reason, we cannot let parents wait in the building for their children to finish their after-school clubs.

Early Years

Early Years recently had a learning review by our link advisor. He noted many outstanding elements. Congratulations to the Early Years Team who work so hard to ensure the environment is exciting and offers so many learning opportunities as well as the support and teaching they provide to our youngest learners.

Sports Day

We had a fabulous day at South Park on 25th May. Congratulations to all pupils. Thanks to Mr Dyke for organising the day and to the parents who helped out. Certificates will be presented to pupils shortly.



Race for Life

Congratulations to the 8 staff members who took part in this 5K run to raise money for Cancer Research UK. Thanks also to the kind families for sponsoring them. £675.00 was raised through donations with an additional £120.00 through Gift Aid.



Religious Studies

On 6th and 7th June, pupils in Years 1 – 6 will be learning about and from Islam. Visits to the local Mosque will be on the week of the 12th June.

Site Improvements

The garden is looking great – please take a look in the back playground before or after school with your child. Pupils have been planting fruits and vegetables to eat later in the term. Miss Alexis is busy developing this area along with our new science room on the second floor. The art room is taking shape and will be complete in time for September. Pupils in Years 1 – 5 have been provided with new storage for their coats and bags which gives them more space for all of their belongings.

SATS

Well done to Year 6 for trying really hard in their tests last month. We look forward to the results. Year 2 also completed tests to support end of key stage one assessments. Year 1 are next. They will be taking part in the statutory phonics screening this month.

TAPs

(Thomas's Academy Parents)

If you are willing and able to help in any way with this year's Summer Fair, please give your



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name to the office. Meetings to organise the stalls to be run by each class have happened. Class representatives will be approaching parents to help with their stall soon. In addition, pupils will be selling their Enterprise goods with profits going to the class's chosen charity.

Sex and Relationships Education (YR – Y6)

You will be receiving a letter outlining the curriculum and its aims shortly. Please read this carefully and feel free to ask questions.

Show and Tell (YR – Y6)

Over this half term, there will be an opportunity for pupils to share their work with their parents. Parents will be informed of the date and time for their child's class shortly.

Polo in the Park

Thomas's Academy would like to offer families the opportunity to bid in a silent auction for tickets with reserved seating in the Pitchside Pavilion in Hurlingham Park.

For more information, please speak to the school office or Miss McCarthy.

School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals (FSM) – even if you choose to eat a packed lunch, please speak to Anna/Yasmin in the office. The school receives additional funding for each pupil entitled to FSM so it is important that applications are made.

E-Mail Addresses

We are increasingly sending communication to parents by e-mail. If you haven't already done so, please provide your email address to the school office. In addition, if your contact details change, please inform the office.

Uniform

Please ensure that school shoes continue to be worn throughout the summer in all year groups. Please also label all items so they can be returned to their owner if lost. **Sogans are selling the school Summer baseball cap for £6.50** which is the only Summer hat permitted.

Sun-cream and Water Bottles

With improving weather, please ensure your child has sun-cream applied before school. If your child is prone to burning, you may send in some cream (named) for them to apply before lunch play. Water bottles should also be brought into school.

PE Kit

The correct kit is a **house coloured top with the logo TA on** and **grey tracksuit bottoms also with TA on the leg**, dark blue shorts are also acceptable. Children are encouraged to wear sports trainers as these are more comfortable than plimsolls.

June Dates

5th: INSET Day
6th, 7th: Islam Days
8th: School closed for Polling
23rd: Y4 to Fulham Palace
26th: Visit to Care Home (pupils to be confirmed)

July Dates (subject to change)

6th: Summer Fair
12th: Y6 to Fulham College
14th: Meet the new teacher sessions
14th: Y6 Production
14th: Last after-school club
17th: Be kind Be safe week
18th: E-Safety event for parents
19th: Nursery break up 11.45am
20th: Y6 graduation assembly
21st: Break up at 2.00pm