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**Website**

The address of our website is: [www.academy.thomas-s.co.uk](http://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.

**Twitter**

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

**International Food Celebration**

Thank you to all those parents who got involved in this. There was a vast amount of delicious food on offer. What a great way to finish the week and the Parent's Association raised £120!

**Lock Down**

During the Summer Term, we will be practising what to do when an emergency situation arises. This is something all schools are having to prepare their pupils for. It will be carried out in a calm and sensitive way. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

**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.

**National World Book Day**

Our school will take part in a range of activities on 1<sup>st</sup> March to foster a love of reading. Activities include: dressing up as a book character, decorating class doors, hearing stories from different teachers and parents, a book quiz, time in our library, a poster competition and a book swap. Ms McCarthy has worked hard to make it a fun day.

**Fancy Dress Donations**

Nursery and reception would like donations of fancy dress outfits. If you have any that you no longer need or use, please bring them to a member of the Early Years team.

**Nut-Free School**

Please be reminded that we are a nut-free school. This is due to allergies.

**Uniform**

Please ensure that pupils have all of the obligatory school uniform items including the school coat. If your child is wearing a hat, it should be a school one available in Sogans. Please label all items so they can be returned to their owner if lost.

**Lunches**

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 – see above) a small treat is permitted on Fridays.

**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.

**Scooters in the Playground**

Please discourage children from scooting around the playground at the beginning and end of the day. The playground is very busy during these times and should be a place where we can all be safe.

**Absences**

Please be reminded to call the school office each morning when your child is off school.

**March Dates**

1<sup>st</sup>: World Book Day  
2<sup>nd</sup>: School Photos Y4, 5 & 6  
6<sup>th</sup>: Y5 to Richmond Park  
7<sup>th</sup>: School Photos Nur & Rec  
8<sup>th</sup>: Reception to Farm  
9<sup>th</sup>: School Photos Y1, 2 & 3  
19<sup>th</sup>: Y4 Art Buddies visiting  
21<sup>st</sup>: Young Singers at Thomas's Kensington  
22<sup>nd</sup>: Fire Brigade visiting Y2, Y5  
26<sup>th</sup>: Oracy Enrichment Week  
29<sup>th</sup>: End of Term-2pm finish.

**April Dates**

17<sup>th</sup>: Pupils return to school