Thingwall Primary School Newsletter

Dear Parents

Please find below the following information, which may be of use to you...

POTS Dates for Summer Term:

Spider-Ede cake sale on Friday 25th May.

Father's Day Shop - Friday 15th June

Summer Fair - Saturday 23rd June

Quiz and Wine Tasting - Friday 13th July

Please look out for the recent POTS newsletter for further details about these events.

Census Day:

We had a fantastic Royal Garden Party this Thursday. The children and staff all thoroughly enjoyed having an outside picnic and 163 children out of a possible 201 children received a free school lunch which is great news for our Census. Our school budget for 2018-2019 depends on a good take up for this Meal Deal.

As promised, if children had a school lunch on this day, we put their names into a hat. We have selected one lucky winner and the winning child is...

Aaron from Year Three!

Congratulations Aaron, you have received a £20.00 book token for Linghams. We hope you enjoy spending it! ☺

Royal Wedding Fancy Dress Day:

We had a fabulous fancy dress day today and we were really pleased that lots of staff and children arrived at school dressed in red, white and blue and/or as royalty. Fantastic fun was had all day and the children have learned all about the Royal Family as well as getting excited for Prince Harry and Meghan Markle's wedding this coming Saturday.

We have selected a winning child from each class and they will each receive a £5.00 Lingham's book token. The winners are as follows...

FS2- Samuel who dressed up in a Street Party outfit complete with a Union Jack flag, braces and bowler hat!

Year One- Ellie who dressed as Snow White, one of our favourite Disney princesses.

Year Two- Elsie who dressed as a bride - I wonder if your dress and veil will be the same as Meghan's tomorrow?

Year Three- Joshua who came dressed in red, white and blue from head to toe!

Year Four- Faith who dressed as an Indian princess in an authentic jewelled dress that she wore for her Auntie's wedding recently.

Year Five- Heidi Mc who came dressed as a wedding guest, complete with a long gown and a fascinator in her hair.

Year Six- Dan L who came dressed as an Olympic Athlete in red, white and blue.

Many thanks to Mrs Fahimi and Mrs Daley for judging our winners and thank you all for taking part.

Mental Health Awareness Week:

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As you may be aware, this week is National Mental Health Awareness Week. We have enjoyed weaving positive mental health strategies into our lessons and discussing ways that we can help ourselves to live an emotionally healthy life.

FS2 pupils have enjoyed learning about relaxation techniques and took part in Cosmic Kids Yoga sessions.

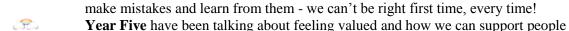
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Year One pupils have been enjoying practising mindfulness techniques and having a calm start to each morning. They have also been discussing what they should do with their worries and practising calming/breathing and stretching exercises.

Year Two have been very relaxed as they have been enjoying mindfulness music while they have been working. They have also been practising how to clear and relax their minds.

Year Three have been discussing the current situation between North and South Korea. They have been thinking about who we can turn to in times of trouble and if it is ever possible to forgive?

Year Four have been developing a positive mind set and realising that it is ok to



who feel lonely.

Year Six have had a very busy week with their SATs. They have all tried their hardest and kept very calm. They have been practising calming and self-soothing strategies with Mr Bettridge.

Learning Outside the Classroom Day:

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Thursday of this week saw us take part in National Learning Outside the Classroom Day. Luckily the weather was kind to us and all staff enjoyed coming up with creative ways of utilising our wonderful outside spaces.

- * **FS2** spent the majority of their day outside in the Early Years Outside Area. They explored capacity in the mud kitchen, sorted trash and treasure, completed pirate island maths and played with the ocean creatures in the small world resources.
- * Year One listened to stories in our outside Viking Memorial Garden. Miss Collins enjoyed sitting in our Viking story chair!
- * Year Two enjoyed exploring capacity and measuring ml and litres. They also enjoyed weighing Meghan and Harry's wedding presents in grammes and kilogrammes!
- * Year Three decided to take their science lesson outside and drew outlines of bodies and labelled the main parts of the skeleton.
- * Year Four enjoyed relaxing in the sunshine and attempting to recreate the Isabella and Lorenzo masterpiece they recently saw at the Walker Art Gallery.
- * Year Five carried out an interesting science investigation with sunflower seeds. They wanted to find out "How does the size of the plant pot affect the growth of the plant?" We can't wait to find out the results!
- * Year Six held a whole class rounders tournament. It was a closely fought match and everyone was very tired by the end of the day!

Internet Safety:

Miss Arden (our Computing Subject Lead) has recommended the following website to you. She says the section for parents is extremely helpful and is updated regularly to enable you to keep up to date with the latest Apps etc. Many thanks Miss Arden.

www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre

Multi-Cultural Faith Fortnight:

Next week (and the first week back after the break) will see us take part in our annual Multi-Cultural Faith Fortnight. We have many exciting things planned such as...

World Cup day for KS2.

Assemblies from Wirral's Minority Ethnic Advisory Service based on anti-racism and refugees.

Ash Nugent, our resident rapper, will return to the school to help the children create their own rap music based on heroes and heroines.

Refugee Stories for KS1.

African Drum Workshop.

Islam/Eid workshops for KS2.

Please be assured that normal core English and Maths lessons will also take place every day.

Summer Fair Raffle Prizes:

If any parents are able to donate a raffle prize for the Summer Fair please let Mrs Hamel know in the School Office. Many thanks.

Dates for your Diaries:

w/c 21.05.18 and w/c 04.06.18- Multi-Cultural Fortnight

25.05.18 - Year Six visit Thursaston

08.06.18 - Bring a Bottle! Own Clothes Day for the Summer Fair

13-15.06.18 - Year Six Residential Visit

14.06.18 - Year Five Mixed Football Tournament at Heswall Primary

19.06.18 - KS1 and FS2 Sports Day (weather permitting)

20.06.18 - KS2 Sports Day (weather permitting)

21.06.18 - Year Five Mixed Netball Tournament at Pensby High

05.07.18 - FS2 Assembly at 10am (all welcome from 9am for teas and coffees)

11.07.18 - Year Six Induction Day

11.07.18 - FS2 to Year Five classes - Meet the new class teacher morning

10.07.18 - Parents' Evenings

18.07.18 - Year Six Class Assembly (all welcome from 9am for teas and coffees)

18.07.18 - Year Six Party

20.07.18 - Toy Day

2018-2019 Holiday Dates:

Please see attached letter from Mrs Hamel with next year's holiday dates. Dates have also been added to next year's diary by Mrs Metcalfe - Many thanks ladies!

Celebration Corner

Year Six - Well done Year Six. It's the end of a long week for you all and you have all worked extremely hard. You have done yourselves proud and have remained focussed, hard-working and well-behaved throughout. Enjoy a well-deserved rest this weekend. ©

Grace (Year Three) - Well done Grace for gaining your Stage Nine Swimming Award. ©
Amber (Year Three) - Well done Amber for winning a Gold medal at the North West Club Judo
Competition.

Eleanor (Year Two) - Congratulations to Eleanor who managed to run the whole of the Liverpool Ik Spring Race without stopping! Eleanor also managed to raise £90 for Claire House. Congratulations to you and your Dad!

AJ (FS2) - Well done AJ for attending rugby every Sunday and receiving a medal for hard work and taking part! \odot

Mila (FS2)-Well done Mila for receiving your Perseverance Award for swimming

Best wishes

Miss D L Cronin