# 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

Look out for a POTS newsletter soon / follow POTS on FB and Twitter! Thank you for all your support!

## **Census Day:**

As you will be aware from previous correspondence, the next school census day is on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Our school greatly depends on the number of pupils who choose a meal on this day as the budget is based on the amount of meals that are eaten.

We have decided to have a themed census day this year in celebration of the 19<sup>th</sup> May Royal Wedding. We will all be eating a picnic outside (weather permitting) in an effort to hold a Royal Garden Party.

All children will be given a meal for free (unless you tell us otherwise) and each child will be entered into a free prize draw!

# **Royal Wedding Fancy Dress Day:**

Also in recognition of the 19<sup>th</sup> May Royal Wedding we have decided to allow the children to come to school (if they wish) dressed in fancy royal clothing or in red, white and blue! This event is free of charge and Mrs Daley and Mrs Fahimi (two of our amazing Midday Supervisors) will be choosing a regal winner from each class. This event is purely voluntary as we appreciate that not all children like to dress up for school. If your child does not wish to take part they can come dressed in their usual uniform - they will still have an exciting day finding out about the Royal Family as part of our British Values curriculum.

### **Emotional Health and Well-Being:**

• Please find the following information below sent on behalf of Cheshire and Wirral NHS. This help line is for anyone involved with looking after children, including parents...



# **Wirral CAMHS Advice Line**

0151 488 8453

The Advice Line is open Monday-Friday 9am – 10 pm, weekends and bank holidays 12- 8 pm staffed by experienced CAMHS practitioners. It is for anyone supporting young people (including parents, education & social care staff, GPs & other health professionals) to call for any advice about concerns they might have in regards to a Child or Young Person's mental health.

• Detective Inspector Anne Rannard from Merseyside Police has also asked Head Teachers to highlight an additional Mental Health advice line for children, parents and carers across Wirral who may be concerned about their child's mental health outside of the usual office hours. This number can also be used by young people if they experience mental health difficulties themselves. The advice line can be accessed by calling 01244 397 644 and it is open from 5pm to 10pm Monday to Friday and 12pm to 8pm every Saturday and Sunday.

Both of these new helplines are an excellent step in the right direction to provide the right care at the right time in the right place for our children.

 A core proposal of the Government's Mental Health Green Paper is to identify a Designated Lead for Mental Health in every school. They will be responsible for the school's approach towards mental health. We have identified Mrs Holroyd as our Lead Teacher and she will commence this post this coming September in her capacity as PSHE Lead with particular responsibility for Emotional Health and Well-Being. She will:

- -Work with colleagues across Wirral (including colleagues in our soft federation)and oversee our whole school approach to mental health.
- -Work with Mrs Goulding (SENDCo) to signpost/refer pupils who are having difficulties with their mental health.
- -Oversee how we resource this area of the curriculum and provide interventions if needed.
- -Raise awareness with staff and support their learning around the subject.
- -Assist the Senior Leadership Team in tracking the educational outcomes of children who are experiencing difficulties.

### **Dates for your Diaries:**

w/c 14.05.18 - Year Six KS2 SATs - All Year Six pupils to be in promptly please

17.05.18 - Royal Garden Party - All pupils to take part please as it is our Census Day and our budget relies on the number of children who eat a meal on this day.

18.05.18 - Royal Wedding Fancy Dress (or come wearing red, white and blue)

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

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

- FS2-Year Five - Meet the new class teacher morning

05.06.18 and 06.06.18 - 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

Grace (Year Three) - A massive well done to Grace who had her hair cut short at the weekend and donated her lovely long locks to The Princess Trust, a charity that makes real hair wigs for children and adults up to the age of 24 who have suffered hair loss through illness. What a lovely thing to do!

Best wishes

Miss D L Cronin