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Week 19

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Head Teacher's Message

Dear Families

As you will have seen from last week's newsletter, Mr Wilson had a fantastic send off. He has written a thank you to everyone which you will see next.

The local road safety team are turning Manor Road and the surrounding areas into 20 mile per hour zones and are running a competition for children at Thameside Primary to design a safety poster. The winner will have their poster turned into signs which will go up around the 20 mph zones. The competition closes on Friday 14th February and all entries need to be submitted to the school office. More information is included further in the newsletter.

A letter will be going out soon with information about booking appointments for our next set of parent consultation meetings which will take place on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th March. Make sure that you keep a lookout for it.

As you will be aware, 100% of our communications now go out via the MCAS app. If your emails are full, our letters bounce back to us and aren't delivered to you. If you have recently changed your email address or mobile phone number, please let the school office know as it is important that we have up to date contact information.

All afterschool clubs have now finished and the new clubs will start week beginning 24th February.

May I remind everyone that we finish for half term on Friday 14th February and return to school on Monday 24th February.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Bray

A 'Thank you' from Mr Wilson



Wow, what a last couple of days at Thameside for me, so special and will be remembered for a long time. I had difficulty with words to say thank you, staff, parents and children for the lovely gifts you gave me, as thank you doesn't seem enough, but hope you understand I really appreciated the gifts (and words), they will all be put to good use. The memory book from the staff and children is so very specially lovely, and will help me to remember the dear children who kept me busy whilst at Thameside. Grateful thanks again.

Malcolm Wilson

Going On Around the School

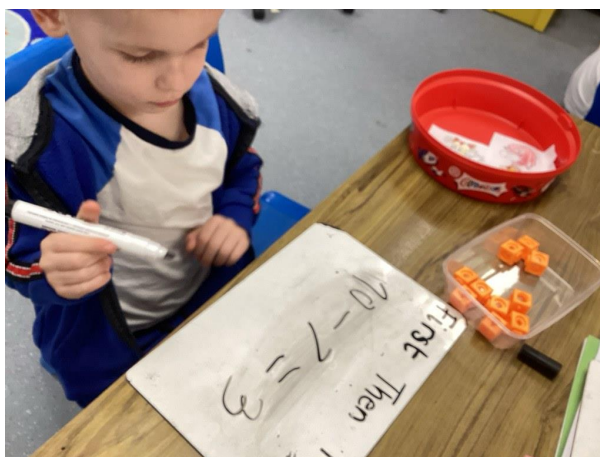
Year 6

Year 6 pupils engaged in a roleplay activity, creating freeze-frames inspired by Robert Falcon Scott's diary entries. This lesson linked to our English unit, helping them deepen their understanding of historical narratives and character emotions.



Reception

Reception have been applying their number skills this week to complete simple subtraction problems using the stem sentence 'First I had....then I took....so now I have....'



First Steps

The children in First Steps really enjoyed the fizzy fountain activity. They enjoy watching what happens and how high the mixture goes.



Year 2

Year 2 have been learning about time this week. We have been mastering reading quarter to and quarter past the hour.





Year 1

In maths, Year 1 have been comparing two sets and finding the difference in a range of contexts.



Footsteps 2

Footsteps 2 have learning about metallic sounds in music.



Nursery

Our topic in Nursery this week has been 'Winter Wonderland'. The children have been learning all about the winter season and looking at how the environment changes. They have enjoyed many activities including painting snowmen and making penguins out of junk modelling.



Year 5


As part of our learning in Design and Technology, we used and applied a range of preparation techniques to create our very own vegetable soups. We used different cutting skills including dicing, chopping as well as peeling techniques.



Stars of the Week

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Aisha reminder that each week a pupil is selected by the class teacher as a star learner, possibly a pupil who has demonstrated the Co-op values across the week in their learning and been a positive role model to the other pupils in the class.





	EYFS Stars	KS1 Stars	KS2 Stars	
	Nursery - Anna RT - Ayah RM - Harper-May RH - Tallulah RB - Billy FS - Anais	1L - Christopher 1A - Hassan Sesay 1JP - Harrison 1M - Judah 2S - Fatima 2SU - Olivia M 2M - Melania 2B - Ravneet FS.H - Freddie	3N - Nadeerah 3C - Akil 3W - Savannah 3P - Michael 4R - Jacob 4MU - Lexi 4MA - Ashar 4AD - Jannatul FS2 - Lucas	5CL - Ameerat 5A - Maya 5B - Alissia 5CH - Lilly-Mae HJ 6S - Chiedozie 6M - Aryan 6SP - Michael 6R - Ihsan

Class Dojo Champions and Dojo Points



Dojo Champions

These children have earned the most dojo points in their class this we			
EYFS Champs	KS1 Champs	KS2 Champs	
Nursery – Iremide and Lily RT – Edward and Jessica RM – Ellis and Izabelle RH – Usman and Aanayah RB – Arib and Zainab FS - Anastasia	1L – Arie and Reuben 1A – Eddie and Alyaanah 1JP- Anabia and Desire 1M – Shourya and Sophia 2S – Annabelle and Jamie 2SU – Mirha and Liams 2M – Alice and AJ 2B – Cavalli and Emma FSMH – Paddy-Lee FS.H - Kelvis	3N – Olivia and Aahil 3C – Liam and Sofia C 3W –Majeed and Antonia 3P – Gullia and Ashvikkan 4R –Owen and Antonia 4MU – Olivia & Arijus 4MA - Robert and Ameerah 4AD – Alex and Davina FS2 – AJ and Vladut	5CL –Alex A and Sophia E 5A – Paris and Hunter 5B – Jasmine and Abdul 5CH – Henrietta and Yousef 6S – Nehan and Ashnavi 6M – Ayo and Daisy W 6SP – Arfan and Nicola 6R – Suchismita and Orion Stepping Stones –

Teams	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire	Diamond
				
Dojo points earned this week	1639	1763	1989	2018
Total Dojo points this year so far	35234	37889	39666	40196
Praise cards awarded this week	24			
Total praise cards awarded this academic year	770			

Maths Champions




TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS			
Most correct answers given	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 2	Aafiq F	Aima M	Jenson W
Year 3	Daniel D	Raya N	Anabia N
Year 4	Hanna G	Laura V	Ashar A
Year 5	Abel N	Hunter K	Lonee T
Year 6	David A	Imo R	Stavros T

Sports Stars

Reception	Jamal S, Maham K, Casey G, Aisha C
Year 1	Noah C, Josiah F, Nikita N,
Year 2	Solomon E, Ilhan P, Iona B, Jake M
Year 3	Kayhan T, Ariya D, Anabia N, Israel A
Year 4	Raian P, Ameerah A, Stefania Maria R, Avery O
Year 5	Alexander A, Darius B, Alesia T, Bonnie S D-P
Year 6	Haris A, Kifayat B, Faizah W, Abdul-K K





Attendance

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	Please note, when pupils are absent for 3 or more consecutive days without parent contact, we may complete a home welfare check. All pupils who are absent for 3 or more days may be required to provide medical evidence			
	This week the Attendance Awards have been awarded to:			
	KS1	2Su	98%	Mrs Sullivan
	Lower KS2	4Mu	97%	Mrs Top
	Upper KS2	5Cl	98%	Miss Clark
	Whole School attendance		94.4%	
	Punctuality			
It is very important that all children arrive on time. School doors open at 8.40am every morning. If your child arrives after 8.50am then they are late and they will not be able to come into school via the usual morning entrance doors but should instead come through the main school entrance. Your child will then need to sign in using our electronic signing in system. We will then be able to amend the registers and ensure your child is marked for a school dinner.				
Please note that if your children arrive at school later than 9.20am, we are required to mark them as absent for that half day session.				
If children are regularly late, a parent will be expected to attend a meeting to look at how punctuality can be improved.				

PTA Fundraising

From February, every time you shop online, you can help raise free donations for Thameside's PTA — at no extra cost to you!

We've partnered with easyfundraising, which means over 8,000 retailers will donate to our cause whenever you shop. From everyday essentials to special purchases, every shop you make can make a real difference!

  **Special Bonus Alert! We'll earn an extra £1 donation for every new supporter who registers between 6th and 19th February**  

Anyone who joins during these dates will be entered into a prize draw to win an amazon voucher.

Joining is quick and easy: Sign up here today or scan the QR code at the bottom of the page https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=375957&invite=0715kh&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral

Please encourage as many members as possible of your family, friends, work colleagues and anyone else you can think of to sign up too! Money raised through easyfundraising will contribute to new playground equipment for the school and help fund future events and projects.

Let's make every shop count for Thameside's PTA.

Thank you for your support!



Sign up here:



More information:

Safety Zones Competition

Create Unique Road Signs for Safety



Join the exciting design competition today!

A 20mph Zone, is being put into Manor Road and the surrounding roads. The local road safety team are running this competition asking Thameside Primary children to create their very own design. The winning design will become part of the entrance sign to the 20mph zone.

Entries need to be submitted to the school office by Friday 14th February

Dinner Menu

Week 1						
WEEK COMMENCING - 4th November - 25th November - 16th December - 20th January - 10th February - 10th March - 31st March						
Monday	Pork Sausage Cowboy casserole With Rice	Quorn Sausage Cowboy casserole With Rice	Cheese Toastie	Mixed vegetables	Seasonal Salad Bar	Fruit Smoothie
Tuesday	Cheese & Tomato Pizza With Potato Cubes	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Broccoli	Seasonal Salad Bar	Pineapple Upside Down Cake With Custard
Wednesday	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Sweet Potato & Butternut Squash Bake	Carrots	Seasonal Salad Bar	Fruit Jelly
Thursday	Cottage Pie	Vegetable Puff Pie	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling	Sweetcorn	Seasonal Salad Bar	Angel Delight
Friday	Fish Fingers With Chips	Cheesy Wrap Stack	Cheese Toastie	Peas	Seasonal Salad Bar	Carrot Cake

Dates for the Diary

	Date	Year Group	Event
February	07.02.24	KS1	Sportshall Athletics
	11.02.25	Whole School	Safer Internet Day
	14.02.25	KS2	Archery competition
	17.02.25 – 21.02.25	ALL	FEBRUARY HALF TERM
	25.02.25	5CI & 5CH Sharing Assembly	5CI – Elm Hall 5Ch – Oak Hall
	28.2.25	KS1	Gymnastics Competition
March	04.03.25	5A & 5B Sharing Assembly	5A – Elm Hall 5B – Oak Hall
	06.03.25	ALL	World Book Day
	11.03.25	2S & 2B Sharing assembly	2S – Elm Hall 2B – Oak Hall
	14.03.25	Year 3 & 4	Tag Rugby
	18.03.25	2Su & 2M Sharing Assembly	2Su – Elm Hall 2M – Oak Hall
	18.03.25	ALL	Parents Evening
	19.03.25		
	21.03.25	Year 3 & 4	Sportshall Athletics
21.03.25	ALL	Comic Relief	

	25.03.25	4Ma & 4R	4Ma – Elm Hall 4R – Oak Hall
April	01.04.25	4Mu & 4AD Sharing Assembly	4Mu – Elm Hall 4AD – Oak Hall
	04.04.25	ALL	INSET DAY – School closed to pupils
	07.04.25 – 21.04.25	ALL	EASTER HOLIDAYS
	24.04.25	1JP & 1M Sharing Assembly	1JP – Elm Hall 1M – Oak Hall
May	06.05.25	1L & 1A Sharing Assembly	1L – Elm Hall 1A – Oak Hall
	12.05.25 – 15.05.25	YEAR 6	SATS
	20.05.25	3C & 3N Sharing Assembly	3C – Elm Hall 3N – Oak Hall
	26.05.25 – 30.05.25	ALL	MAY HALF TERM
June	03.06.25	3W & 3P Sharing Assembly	3W – Elm Hall 3P – Oak Hall
	10.06.25	6S & 6M Sharing Assembly	6S – Elm Hall 6M – Oak Hall
	17.06.25	RH & RM Sharing Assembly	RH – Elm Hall RM – Oak Hall

	24.06.25	6Sp & 6R Sharing Assembly	6Sp – Elm Hall 6R – Oak Hall
July	01.07.25	RT & RB Sharing Assembly	RT – Elm Hall RB – Oak Hall
	21.07.25 – 03.09.25	ALL	SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Contact the Year Groups

Year Group email addresses:	
Nursery – nursery.tps@psborne.coop	Year 5 – year5.tps@osborne.coop
Reception – reception.tps@osborne.coop	Year 6 – year6.tps@osborne.coop
Year 1 – year1.tps@osborne.coop	Stepping Stones – steppingstones.tps@osborne.coop
Year 2 – year2.tps@osborne.coop	Please note that any information regarding illness and absences MUST be reported to the school office and NOT the year group emails.
Year 3 – year3.tps@osborne.coop	
Year 4 – year4.tps@osborne.coop	

1 - We have recently reintroduced the year group email mailboxes for parents/carers. Class teachers can be contacted via the email addresses below for non-urgent communication. Please note, these are only monitored during school hours and responses (where required) will be sent within 48 working hours. Pupil absences and collection information must still be reported via the main office.