

# Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 6 December 2020



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Dear Parents and Carers,



Suddenly we are at the final part of the Autumn term and it's certainly been a challenging one for us all for obvious reasons!

Christmas Jumper day on Friday raised £241.61 and will be donated to Save the Children. Sadly, the Virtual Pantomime did not take place in school because of the switch to remote learning but popcorn and a drink which was kindly donated by Grays Riverside Big Local Community project will be shared on the first Friday back when the final of Thameside's Got Talent takes place. Thank you to the Big Local for this substantial donation.



We would also like to thank B & Q who generously donated two Christmas trees and stands for both entrances to the school. The donation was made after our Year 5 and Year 6 School Councillors wrote letters to B & Q asking if they would consider donating two trees to the school. They certainly added some much needed Festive cheer to the school entrances. A school draw was held and the two lucky winners were able to take the trees home.



A polite reminder that we return on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Stay safe and have a Happy Christmas

Mrs L Billinghamurst



## Class Dojo Reward System

Once again, Sapphire have been victorious in the Battle of the Dojos! They were clear leaders in the contest two weeks ago but Ruby pipped them to the post by 1 dojo, last week!

The scores for each team were as follows:

Week beginning	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire	Diamond
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	997	990	1042	968
7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1219	1332	1331	1103

## Thameside's Got Talent Finalist

We have re-scheduled the final of the Thameside's Got Talent until the first Friday we are back. This is because we don't want pupils who are isolating missing out on having the chance to vote for the finalists. A sad decision but the right one!



**And finally .....** we say goodbye to Mrs Barlow and Mrs Afridi, who both take up new teaching posts, Mrs Tidman who has worked at the school for 26 years and Mrs Willis-Green, who are both retiring, Miss Brown and Mrs Reeve who start their maternity leaves and Mrs Stafford, who is taking up a new job opportunity in the New Year. Thank you all for your contribution you have made to Thameside Primary across the years. We wish you all well in your new endeavours.

