

Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 19 June 2021



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of the government's Kickstart scheme, we have recently appointed a Play and Lifestyle Ambassador and a Mental Health and Wellbeing Ambassador. Both of these roles are a welcome addition to the school and will benefit the school community in many ways.

On page 3 you will see an information flier, detailing what the two roles will look like in school.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs L Billingham

Class Dojo Reward System

Scores for last week	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire	Diamond
	955	1091	1134	976
And this week	1191	1057	1189	1050

There was no doubt last week who the winning team were with Sapphire's magnificent score of 1134! This week, however, Emerald have to be congratulated on their first place score, beating Sapphire by 2 points and increasing their total by 236 in the previous week!

Conduct of Behaviour from Parents on School Grounds

We ask that all adults respect our children's, staff and parents right, to safe and responsible conduct of behaviour, from parents on school grounds.

Unfortunately, we have received a number of complaints and concerns raised by parents, children and staff, following unacceptable behaviour between parents. Please be aware that the school always responds to these incidents. Such behaviour on our school grounds is unacceptable.

We are role models for our children. Please work with the school to show excellence in how to communicate with respect and in a positive way.

Thank you

Warm Weather Request

A polite reminder that with the warm weather popping up here and there, that when it is warm, you ensure your child comes to school wearing a sun hat and has had sun protection cream applied. It is also essential for pupils to bring in a bottle of water to drink during the day, -please.

Holiday Activities

The USP College, previously known as Palmer's College, has announced the programme of Summer Multi-Sport activities available for the Summer break. Further details are on their website, www.info@stormfit.co.uk

Year 1 Tree Area

Please make sure once you have collected your child at the end of the day that they stay with you. A couple of staff members have noticed a small group of children returning without adults to climb the trees outside the Year 1 area.

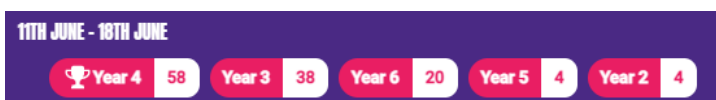
As well as being unsafe, the benefit of keeping children in classes is being undone when groups of children are mixing together in close contact.



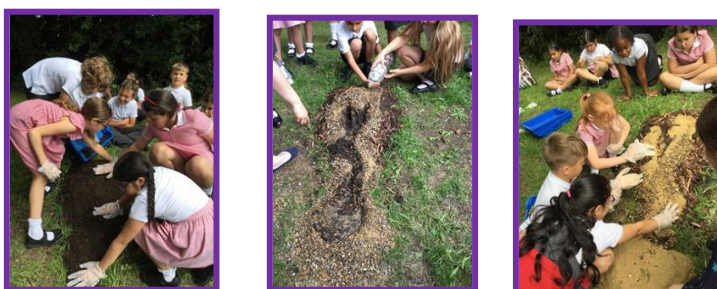
Times Table Rock Stars

Once again, Year 4 were the winners last week with year 3 following in their footsteps and this week, Year 3 managed to take first place, with a 6 point margin ahead of Year 4.

Keep going Years 2, 5 and 6.....try to increase your scores!



Outdoor Learning in 3D



3D have been enjoying some outdoor learning. This week in Science, they created their own river. They then watched the effects of water flow on the river. Next week they will be testing the flow of a river to see how quickly it can carry items downstream.

Road Safety Awareness

This week, there have been a couple of incidents where pupils have appeared from behind parked vehicles or between gaps in the traffic when cars have been driving in Gypsy Lane and Manor Road. Please take a few minutes to share this with your child and reinforce the need for being road safety awareness at all times.

Thank you.

And finally.....Star of the Week

Here are the pupils who were picked last week and this week. Well done everyone!

1P	Isabella M	Kanaye P
1L	Ibrahim S	Kaona S
1J	Skylar T	Rehaan C
1H	Olusola R	Alesia T
2A	Nicola S	Letty Ann C
2P	Freddie M	Alfie G
2W	Sophie L	Anabia A
2B	Kiyona S	Maddison I
3A	Muhammed N	Kevin L
3P	Maddie May M	Kian S
3S	Fatima MD	Klara B
3D	Hanna M	Mark P
4R	Nikola B	Tyler F
4A	Onome A	Ernestas R
4K	Iustin C	Harrison L
4W	Apishanaa K	Gabriel V
5U	George H	Gabriella M
5S	Antoni W	Dumitru C
5ST	Marena G	Charlie W
5A	Dylan C	Chloe SS
6R	Nicole P	Freddie M
6S	Maya B	Megan W
6C	Lily D	Meena A
FS 1	Divine L	Lexi L
FS 2	Eddie A	Leo C

Ambassadors of Thameside Primary School

The Osborne Trust have recently created four new posts as part of the government's Kickstart scheme.

In our school two of these posts have been appointed. We have Miss Robinson-Mitchell as a Play and Lifestyle Ambassador and Miss Cook as our Mental Health and Wellbeing Ambassador.

Miss Robinson-Mitchell

I have been at Thameside Primary for about a month and a half.

While I have been here, I have been super busy; during break and lunch, I have been going out with the children and getting to know them.

I also completed a student voice questionnaire about what equipment the children would like during lunch and playtimes. I am currently in the process of completing my findings and ordering new equipment.

I have been putting out equipment that we do have during lunch and play times. The children have enjoyed it.

I have also been setting up colouring and puzzle worksheets for breakfast, afterschool clubs (when they re-start) and wetplay days which the children have enjoyed.

I also been working very close with The Bridge, helping them out with children who need extra support. They have asked me to go out and supervise certain children during P.E, it has been challenging but I've really enjoyed it.

Miss Cook

I have been at Thameside Primary school for just under a month. While I have been here, I have been shadowing Thameside's learning mentor, getting to know the children and learning what works well and what the children like to do.

I have been using children's mental health resources for early interventions, something I have focused on is calming techniques that the children can use in school and at home, for example deep breathing which the children have said makes them feel calm.

We have also been reading stories about emotions, making the children aware of all different emotions while telling a fun story!

I have also been trying to develop and make the children more aware of positive coping mechanisms and teaching the children about positive well-being and always finishing with a fun game of the child's choice.

In the little time I have worked here, I have enjoyed interacting with the children and being able to create a positive impact on their mental health. 😊

Play during Covid-19

Remember:

- **Do what works for you and your family!**
- **Play is the best way that children learn.**
- **Play is a natural stress reliever.**
- **Use what you already have at home.**
- **Think outside the box!**
- **Stay in touch with others.**

Supporting mental health and wellbeing during Covid-19

Remember:

- **If you are struggling, please reach out and talk to someone.**
- **Looking after your mental health is just as important as our physical health.**
- **There are many helpful services online and in your local area.**
- **It's okay to ask for help!**