

Thameside Primary Newsletter Issue 12 March 2021



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Dear Parents and Carers,



It has been so lovely to see all our families back in school this week. There were lots of excited children coming in on Monday, clearly pleased to be back to near normality.

On Monday, the online booking system will be open for you to make your appointments for the Virtual Parents Evenings taking place next month. You should have received a letter yesterday with the dates, together with details of how to make your appointments.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs L Billinghamurst

Young Artists' Summer Show competition

If your child would like to enter a piece of art into the Royal Academy of Arts "Young Artists' Summer Show", please email a photo of your child's artwork along with a short piece of information about the piece of art (title, size and a little text about the artwork) to your child's class teacher by Friday 26th March. A permission form will also need to be signed which can be collected from your child's teacher.

Further information about the competition and exhibition can be found on this link <https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/get-involved>. There is no theme so artwork can be of any subject and it doesn't matter when the artwork was completed as long as your child was between 5-19 years of age when it was produced.

Air Quality Campaign Competition winner

We were delighted to hear that one of the posters designed by a Thameside pupil has been picked as one of the winners in a recent competition run by Thurrock Council. The competition was to raise awareness of the air pollution effects on children, share the anti-idling message with the school community and attempt to reduce pollution levels around schools. Ava C's winning design will be printed onto a banner which will be displayed on our school gates and she will also receive book vouchers as a prize. Well done Ava!



Thurrock Council Parent Childcare Survey

Thurrock Council are asking all parents and carers in Thurrock to tell them about your childcare needs so that they can ensure families are able to find childcare that meets your child's learning and development needs. To have your say, visit:

https://consult.thurrock.gov.uk/parent-childcare-survey?utm_source=Facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=Orlo&utm_content=Parent+Childcare+Survey

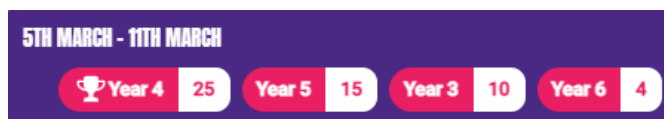
The consultation closes on 30th April.

Minimal Personal Items

A polite reminder that pupils must only bring in the bare minimum from home and if a bag is brought in, it must be a small bag to keep the learning space as clutter free as possible.

Times Table Rock Stars

Well done to Year 4 for coming out on top yet again this week! Don't forget you can ask for your child's log in details if your child has mislaid them by contacting your year group email address with your child's initial and class.



Class Dojo Reward System

Well done Diamond for coming second this week. A great pull back. Once again, Emerald and Ruby in a close contest, with Ruby getting the edge. However, Sapphire have soared ahead yet again with a convincing score of 847!

	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire	Diamond
Scores this week	792	794	847	802

Dedicated Testing Sites for Lateral Flow testing in Tilbury and Corringham

Adults with primary and secondary school aged children, along with any adults in support or childcare bubbles with these families, are advised to complete twice weekly testing using a Lateral Flow Device (LFD). Thurrock Council has set up two dedicated testing sites where you can go along and get tested. These are located in the following places:

- Red Cross Hall, Bermuda Road, Tilbury, RM18 7DA
- Baptist Church Hall, Central Avenue, Corringham, SS17 7PE

Sites are open 7am – 6pm, 7 days per week and you can book appointments by following the link below and creating an account:

<https://commisceo-pcs.shiftpartner.com/signup>

The testing process is very quick and you'll receive the results within 20-30 minutes.

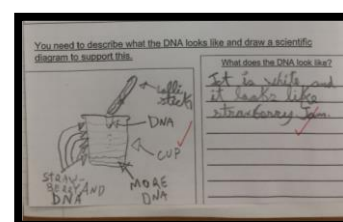
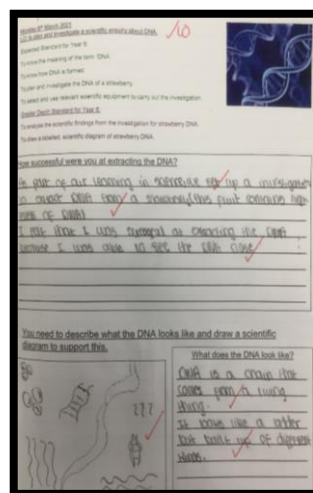
And finally.....British Science Week



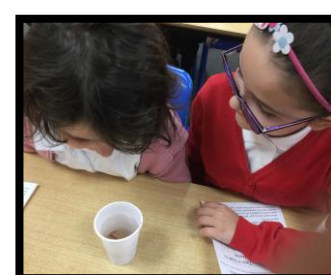
Here are some photos and pieces of work to share with you from British Science Week. There were some great activities children took

part in across the week and a real effort made today by so many children, dressing up as *Mad Scientists*.

Year 6 set up an investigation to learn about DNA. They used strawberries due to the large amount of DNA they contain.



3S were testing how long it takes a biscuit to dissolve in tap water.

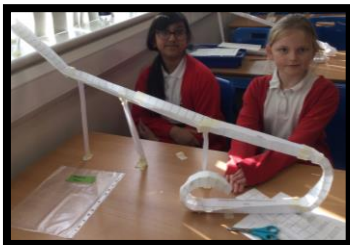




Year 5 were in in bridge and balloon mode



Year 2 have been building bridges, and lots of fun was had across the school today with the dressing up for 'Mad Scientist' day...





And don't forget its COMIC RELIEF day next Friday where, in exchange for a donation of £1, children are invited to come in non-uniform.



