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Value...Dream...Achieve...

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Year 4 Class Worship - Friday 5th April

At THT all children get to perform on the stage at least once a year - whether it is during the Christmas Production (Infants) or during a Class Worship (Years 3 to 6). This Friday it is Year 4's turn to 'WOW' us with their Class Worship. As usual all parents, carers and family members are invited to watch all our Friday Worships, starting at the usual time of 2.55pm...but a special invitation goes out to parents / carers / family members of our Year 4 children.

The SIAMS Inspection

As you will have seen from last week's Newsletter letter, last Thursday, we were visited by Mrs Kathryn Pym, a SIAMS Inspector (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools).

Although we are pleased with the initial feedback from Mrs Pym, I'm afraid that I cannot tell you what the outcome of the inspection is (yet), as the judgements that she made have to be agreed and verified by the National Society. As soon as the full report arrives...I'll let you know!! It should be between 1 and 2 weeks...

Wednesdays during Lent

Don't forget that each Wednesday morning, worship is celebrated in church rather than in school. This happens every Wednesday morning from now until we break up for Easter and will be led by Father David. You are more than welcome to join us for the services which start at about 9.10 and will last for no longer than 30 minutes. We hope to see you there!!

A Message from After School Club

...a reminder that there will not be an After School Club, or Easy Pick Up on the last day of term (12th April). Easy Drop and Breakfast Club will run as usual in the morning.

Friends Easter Disco

Our next PTA event is the Easter Disco tomorrow (Wednesday 3rd April), from 6.30 to 8pm. This is always a popular event with the children, where there will be refreshments and sweets to buy and also we will be selling raffle tickets for the Easter Egg Raffle (to be drawn at the Easter Lunch). It is £3.00 per child for admission, but, due to insurance reasons, is only open to children who attend THT.

Year 6 SATs Evening

On Wednesday 3rd April, just after the start of the Disco, Mr Marshall and I will be holding a short meeting for parents / carers of Year 6 children to discuss this year's End of Key Stage 2 SATs tests. It will take place in the Year 6 classroom and will last for no longer than 30 minutes.

Easter Raffle

Just a reminder that the Friends THT Easter Raffle is 'up and running' with tickets available from your class teachers. Easter Egg hampers are created using donations from teachers and PTA members, but if you would like to donate an Easter egg to make these hampers 'eggstra' special then please hand them into the school office by Thursday 28th March. Tickets are 50p each and already on sale. The draw will take place at the end of the Easter lunch on Tuesday 9th April. There is a prize hamper for each class and an extra special main one to give everyone an 'eggstra' chance to win. We've received so many Easter Eggs for the Raffle, that Friends have been able to create another prize for adults. Tickets will also be sold during the Easter Lunch (for just for the parents/carers at the lunch)...and many thanks to our friends at the Tarleton Co op, who kindly donated 10 Chocolate Eggs for one of our Easter Egg Hampers!!



Easter Walk Through

Next Monday, the school will be transformed into Jerusalem, the Garden of Gethsemane and Golgotha. Each of the classrooms will depict parts of the Easter Story starting at Palm Sunday, moving through the events that took place during Holy Week and finishing on Easter Sunday with the Resurrection.

The day will hopefully provide the children some wonderful memories and give them a deeper understanding of the Easter Story. We are looking for volunteers to help out on the 8th April, either to lead children through the Easter Story - or to help out with activities in the hall. If you can help, please let Elaine or Helen know in the office.

Celebration Worship

My voice just about lasted through last Friday's Celebration Worship - and we finished before the bell for once!! Well done those children who made it to the bench!! They were:

Reception	Joanna
Year 1	Ruby
Year 2	Raymond
Year 3	Lucy I
Year 4	All of Year 4
Year 5	Alexa and Reggie
Year 6	Lucy

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

Lenten Reflection - Feelings in Holy Week

Team Point Winners

Last week's winners - Yarrow

School Dinners

The week beginning the 8th April is 'Week 3' of the Lancashire Autumn Winter Menu. As you know, after discussion with children in Year 6 and with the school council a while ago, we, at THT, are moving the menu around quite a bit and it is this which will appear in the Menu in ParentPay. Please have a look at Newsletter 9 for more details as to how the menu has changed...

Other changes:

Monday - as it is the Easter Walk Through, the children who usually have a 'school dinner' children will be all having a picnic lunch, with sandwiches etc. and if it is fine and warm they will be eating outside.

It is the Easter Lunch on the Tuesday (9th April). Due to popular demand this year we are having to run with two sittings for our Easter Lunch - just like we do at Christmas. The Juniors will be eating (with their parents etc.) at 11.30am and the Infants will be eating with their Junior Siblings and parent etc. at 12.30pm.

Please note that we cannot accept anymore adult bookings for Easter Lunch as we have hit the maximum for people in the hall at any one time.

Parent Questionnaire 2019 on our Church Distinctiveness

Here is the next 'instalment' of what the results of the 2019 Christian Distinctiveness Parent Questionnaire told us.

Question 10 stated, 'I am happy with the Collective Worship provided by school'. Just one parent stated that they 'didn't know'.

During the course of the year, the school participates in about 45 Acts of Worship where parents and carers (and Grandparents and family members) are invited to attend...come and have a look!!

Some Sporting News:

Here are some up and coming dates for your diary:

22nd May - Cricket for Year 4 and below

11th June - Cricket for Year 6 and below

...and Good Luck to our Junior Cross Country Team who are taking part in the 'Muddy Woody' Competition on 4th April!!



Attendance Figures

During last week, 154 of our children (out of 185) managed to achieve 100% attendance - they didn't miss one day of school!! The winners of 'best attending class of the week' was, once again, a tie between Mr Skinner's Class and Mrs Seeley's Class - so well done to our Year 2 and Year 4 children!! During the same week just one child was late for just one session of school.

The Two week Easter Break

Don't forget that next Friday we break up for two week Easter Break at approximately **3.00pm** (Friday 12th April) and return to school on Monday 29th April (8.55am start with the doors opening at 8.45am).

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evenings are being held in school next week (Wednesday 10th April, 5.30 - 8.00pm and Thursday 11th, 3.30 - 5.30pm). The children's work will be in the Classrooms for you to have a look at, and the teachers will meet you to discuss their progress etc. in the school hall.

It would be helpful if parents could try, as much as possible, to keep to their allotted time(s) so that we do not have a 'back log' of parents and carers waiting for teachers.

Mr Webster's Guitar Lessons

This week was the final week of the term for Guitar lessons - they all start again on Monday 29th April...

A plea from the Teachers:

1. Brass candlesticks / goblets etc.

Mrs Birkby is asking if we can have any unwanted brass items for our Easter Walk Through - especially platters, goblets and candlesticks

2. Toy Fruit and Vegetables

Mrs Dimmock is asking for donations of plastic / wooden / felt fruit and vegetables which can be used in the 'market garden' shop in the EYFS classroom.

Thanks!!

End of Term Easter Service in Church - Friday 12th April

We will soon be practising for our end of Spring Term, Easter Service in church which we would like to invite you to. The service begins at 2.00pm, on Friday 12th April, and will last for about an hour. My bell ringing club and I will remind you about the service by ringing the bells from 1.15pm onwards!!

Once the service has finished the children will come back to school. If any parents and carers who have attended the service, would like to pick their children up from school, please come into the school yard after the service and pick up your Reception and Infant children from their classroom doors and the Juniors as usual from the main blue door just inside the school gate. For those parents who can't make it...we will see you at the usual pick up time of 3.25 / 3.30pm.

Thanks for reading!!

Yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith - Headteacher

Did you know...

I think there were a few Mums who were woken bright and early on Mothering Sunday - but with one hours less sleep!! But why do we put the clocks forward for Daylight Saving Time? One website states:

What Is Daylight Saving Time?

DST is a seasonal time change measure where clocks are set ahead of standard time during part of the year, usually by 1 hour. As DST starts, the Sun rises and sets later, on the clock, than the day before. Today, about 40% of countries worldwide use it to make better use of daylight and to conserve energy.

There is quite a lot of history behind why the clocks go forwards on the last Sunday of April...click on <http://www.timeanddate.com/time/dst/history.html> for more information...

Our school vision:

Value... Dream... Achieve...

*As a loving Christian family, our aspiration is for all pupils to flourish, safe in the belief that we, "...can do all things through Christ, who strengthens us" Phil 4:13.
Everyone is valued, we all achieve and our dreams for the future begin.*

Dear Parents and Carers

This LENT, THT are going to collect food for the food bank in Southport. Here is their website <https://southport.foodbank.org.uk/>

It would be amazing if we could get lots of food and help those less fortunate.

What you could do

Items can be brought in at any time and placed on the stage in school. You could even try and collect an item for every day in Lent. You could keep them at home in a box or just gather a few items together and bring them on the last Tuesday before the Easter holidays. Anything you can donate would be much appreciated!

Here are a few things the food bank would love to receive...

- **TINNED TOMATOES**
- **TINNED POTATOES OR INSTANT MASH**
- **BREAKFAST CEREALS**
- **SOUP**
- **BABY FOOD**
- **PASTA**
- **LADIES' SANITARY ITEMS**
- **BABIES NAPPIES**
- **BAKED BEANS**

Thank you in advance!

Sophie and Lucy

Worship and Justice Group.

