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Half Term Holiday

Don't forget that this Friday (26th May), we break up for our two week May Half Term. We finish at 3.25/3.30pm on the 26th and then return to school on **Monday 12th June** at 8.55am with the doors opening at 8.45am. All before and after school clubs will be available on these days!! Fingers crossed for some more sunshine!!

Faith and Charity in Action

In the last week of term Mrs Birkby will be travelling to Uganda for 10 days with former member of staff Mr Marshall. This is because THT has long-standing links with the charity 'International Needs Uganda' and it is our chosen charity this year. Some of you may remember that Reverend Justus Miwanda, Executive Director of 'International Needs Uganda' visited THT with 'The Pearl of Africa Choir' in 2018. THT After School Club and some individual members of staff have been sponsoring Ugandan children ever since. Mr Marshall and his family made several visits and helped build a school.

Last year a large amount of money was raised in memory of Joseph Marshall which was donated to 'IN Uganda' to fund a village well, and this Christmas THT parents also donated money which was used to provide Ugandan pupils with school lunches. Mrs Birkby and Mr Marshall will be attending the official opening of the well in Kikwanya and serving some of the school lunches. They will also spend time teaching in schools, and visiting farms and water and sanitation projects.

If you would like to support this wonderful Christian charity further, Mrs Birkby would welcome donated items from the suggestions below to take. It doesn't have to be new items but good condition please.

- Anything with Union Jacks, Coronation or England logo (adult or child size)
- Girls summer school uniform (gingham dresses)
- Baseball caps/hair accessories (any size)
- Flip-flops, sliders, crocs (any size)
- T-towels
- Glasses/sunglasses (adult or child)
- Underwear (child size, not socks)
- Soap/toothbrushes/toothpaste
- Wind-up torch
- Skipping ropes, sports equipment, ball pump, inflatable ball
- Sweets (not chocolate)

Findings from our Parent Questionnaire Spring 2023

During our 'Face to Face' Spring Parents' evening, 70 questionnaires were completed on the night. The questions / statements are that same that are asked by Ofsted on 'Parent View'.

Question 8 asked for your response to the statement: *'The school has high expectations for my child.'*
5 of you disagreed with this statement.

Question 9 asked for your response to the statement: *'My child does well at this school.'*

1 person disagreed with this statement with two saying that they didn't know.



The School constantly assesses where the children 'are up to' with regard to their knowledge of the curriculum and their standards of attainment. Gaps are 'plugged' where necessary through the use of intervention programmes or extra sessions delivered by the teachers and teaching assistants (TAs). Our End of Key Stage 2 SATs results show that our children are attaining in line with children in Lancashire with regard to writing - but are attaining higher in Reading and in Mathematics.

Celebration Worship

Last Friday we had the penultimate Celebration Worship of the half term. Well done to the children who made it to the Bench, they were...

Reception	Eva
Year 1	Isla
Year 2	Freya
Year 3	Theo
Year 4	James
Year 5	Harry B
Year 6	Jasper
Singer of the week	Kyara in Year 1
Headteacher Award	Harry, Ashley and Arthur in Year 3

This Week's Worship - Pentecost and the Holy Spirit

School Lunches

Week 2 of the Summer menu - Week beginning 12th June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Paprika Potatoes, Peas and Sweetcorn	Booths Pork and Vegetable Sausages with Creamed Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables	Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Mild Chilli Beef Tacos with Mixed Rice and Broccoli	Battered Fish Fillets with Chips and Peas
or	or	or	or	or
Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread and Salad	Baked Jacket Potatoes with a Choice of Filling and Salad	Creamy Macaroni Cheesecake Bake with Crusty Bread and Salad	Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Herby Potatoes and Salad	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Chips and Sweetcorn

Last Week's Attendance

Last week - an amazing 174 pupils (out of 193 children) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

12 children (from 9 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).

The best attending classes for the week was Year 3 -with an attendance figure of 99.6% for the week.

After School Club

Don't forget that with effect from 12 June there will be a new session introduced to the After School club called 'Up to 5pm'. This session must be booked in advance using ParentApp and children must be collected by 5pm or the late pick up fee will be applied. This is because we will staff the club according to the number of children booked in. 'Up to 5pm' replaces the old 'After 4:30' session.

Please also remember the price increase comes into effect from Monday 12th June.

School Council Toy Sale

After School on Thursday 25th May, Mrs Warburton, and members of the school council will be selling the toys which were left over from the toy stall that we held during the Scarecrow Festival. Please make sure you have some change with you!!

Water Bottles and Sun Hats

Looking out of my office window as I write this...its another a lovely day!!

It's time to start thinking about sending your child to school with a Sun Hat - but please remember to bring a coat (just in case).

We also have a few children who do not come to school with a water bottle. Please ensure that they have a water bottle in school each morning - which is filled with water and not juice so that they can keep hydrated during the day. Juice/Squash is allowed for lunchtime drinks - but not a 'during the day' drink. On days where the forecast is sunny - please can we also ask you to send your child with suncream already on - I'm afraid we can't put it on for them - and they can't put it on themselves (for Health and Safety / allergy reasons).

Summer Dresses and Shorts

Whilst I'm talking about the sunny weather - the children are mostly playing out on the school field at break times and dinner times. As well as football and making daisy chains - another favourite activity on the field is handstands. If your child is a fan of doing handstands and wears a Summer Dress or skirt - please can they also wear a pair of shorts under their skirt / dress - for obvious reasons when they are upside down. Thank you!!

Vacancies at THT

Breakfast Club / After School Club Manager

We are looking to recruit a Manager for our high quality before and after school childcare provision.

Please click on the link below for all the details and application forms...

https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=61258

After School Club Playworker

We are also looking to recruit a Playworker for our After School Club (ASC). Initially the hours would be approximately 2.5 hours, twice a week in the Afterschool Club, Wednesday and Thursday 3:30 - 6.00pm. Pay is £10.98 per hour (Grade 4 Point 4). Please email the school office for an Application form:

https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=61257

Once a manager is appointed ASC may still need someone one evening a week and to possibly be on call to cover illness etc.

The closing date for the above positions is now 12th June, with interviews being held on 16th June.

Craft Studio Art Club

Scroll down to see an advert for an Art Club being run during the Half Term break...

As always...thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith
Headteacher

Did you know...

In 2023, Pentecost falls on 28th May - during our 2 week break. It takes place on the seventh Sunday after Easter, which is exactly 50 days later.

Christians mark Pentecost because it is written in the Holy Bible that on this day, the Apostles (disciples) of Jesus Christ felt the Holy Spirit descend on them. A white dove is often used to symbolise this.

Another name you might hear for Pentecost is 'Whit Sunday' - which is (naturally) where 'Whitsun' comes from.

In the UK, there has long been a public bank holiday associated with Whitsun.



MAY HALF TERM ART CLUB

**Tuesday 30th
May**

**10am-12pm or
2pm-4pm**




**Ages
7+**

**Thursday 1st
June**

**10am-12pm or
2pm-4pm**

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