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Water in School

The water supply for school could be off for three hours tomorrow – please read the letter coming out to you today!!

Half Term Holiday

If I haven't seen you yet - I hope you had a good half term great an enjoyed the sunshine!!

Water Bottles and Sun Hats

Listening to the radio yesterday - apparently we could be enjoying this lovely weather up until July!! So don't forget to please send 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).

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 10 asked for your response to the statement: 'The school lets me know how my child is doing.' 6 of you disagreed with this statement.

At THT we provide information to parents / carers at least 3 times a year - letting you know how well your child is doing. During the Autumn and Spring Terms this is done at Parents' Evening and in the summer Term through the end of year report. If your child is on the Special Needs Register you may get more information during each school year. This is in line with guidance from the DfE.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/school-reports-on-pupil-performance-guide-for-headteachers

Question 11 asked for your response to the statement: 'There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school'.

No one disagreed with this statement with 3 saying that they didn't know.

Celebration Worship

During the Friday before half term we had another lovely yet busy Celebration Worship. Well done to the children who made it to the Bench, they were...

Reception	Nayara		
Year 1	Paisley		
Year 2	Dorothy and Charlotte		
Year 3	Jemima		
Year 4	Esmae and Henry		
Year 5	Jessica and Amelia HP		
Year 6	Ivy		
Singer of the week	Cole in Year 1		
Headteacher Award	Amelia and Oscar in Year 3,		
	Bethany and Thomas in Year 4		

This Week's Worship - The Holy Trinity

School Lunches

Week 3 of the Summer menu - Week beginning 19th June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
A Pulled BBQ Chicken	Swedish Style Veggie	Roast Pork, Yorkshire	Booths Beef Burger in	Golden Crumb Fish
Melt Tortilla with	Meatballs with Herby	Pudding, Gravy, Roast	a Bun with Paprika	Fingers with Chips and
Paprika Potatoes and	Potatoes and Broccoli	Potatoes and	Wedges and	Peas
Mixed Vegetables		Vegetables	Vegetables	
or	or	or	or	or
Tomato and	Pasta Neapolitan with	French Bread Pizza	Cheese and Tomato	Homemade Pizza
Mascarpone Pasta with	Crusty Bread and Salad	with Potato Wedges	Pasta Bake with Crusty	Margherita with Chips
Crusty Bread and Salad		and Salad	Bread and Salad	and Sweetcorn

Last Week's Attendance

During the week before Half Term week -169 pupils (out of 193 children) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

8 children (from 5 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).

The best attending classes for the week was Year 4 -with an attendance figure of 99.2% for the week.

A Request from Mrs Warburton...

If you have any spare guttering, drainpipes or cable reels that you could donate to school - please get in touch!!

Some Dates for Your Diary...

Notoriously, the last half term of the academic year gets rather hectic - and by the look of things - is going to be the same this year. So here's a run-down of what we are going to try and squeeze in before the Summer Break:

Date	Activity
14 th June	Year 4 Trip to 'The World Museum' in Liverpool
15 th June	Height and Weight Checks for Year R and Year 6
22 nd June	Year 6 Transition Day for those going to Tarleton Academy
22 nd June	Year 3 Roman Day
23 rd June	Non Uniform Day - Bring a Bottle for the Rose Queen Day
23 rd June - 26 th June	Year 6 Residential Trip to Min Y Don
23 rd June	Year 4 Class Worship (at 2.50pm)
24 th June	Rose Queen Day
30 th June	Year 3 Class Worship (at 2.50pm)
3 rd July	Sports Day - Infants am and Juniors pm
4 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Service at Blackburn Cathedral
7 th July	TASA Olympics Event
10 th July	Year 1 and Year 2 Trip to 'Imagine That' in Liverpool
11 th July	Move Up Morning
14 th July	End of Year Reports to Parents
18 th July	Infant Teddy Bear's Picnic
19 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Service at THT Church – 11am
19 th July	Leaver's Disco for the Whole School - 6.30pm
20 th July	Year 6's Leaver's Lunch at 12.30pm
20 th July	Year 6's Talent Show for Parents - 2pm
21 st July	End of Year Presentation Assembly - 9.30am
21 st July	End of Year Worship in Church - 2.00pm
21⁵⁺ July	School Closes for the Summer Break - approximately 3.00pm

Please note that some of these dates have changed from the original one advertised on the App and Website. More details and information will come to you before each event…and we are also trying to fit in a 'Break the Rules' Fundraising Day!!

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

Stephen B. Smith Headteacher

Did you know...

If your child read a book for 10 minutes during every evening of a school day, this would add up to $32\frac{1}{2}$ hours of reading per school year. It's about the same as reading Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone 3 times!!