

# Thames View Infants



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Dear Parents/Carers;



## Thames View Infants – Open Day for Parents on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018

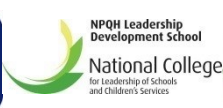
*What does learning look like at TVI in real terms?  
What does an Outstanding Provision look like at first hand?  
How do the teachers teach and what do the children do?  
What does attainment look like in other classes and year groups?  
How much work/writing do children across the School really do?  
What work is taking place in Writing, Reading and Maths at TVI?*

I am excited to let you know that on Tuesday November 20<sup>th</sup>, between 8:50am-11:30am, we will be holding an Open Day/Morning for all of our current Parents and Carers.

**We really want to show you, if possible, what happens in School on an “everyday” day to day basis.**

The provision here at Thames View Infants is Outstanding and we would like to share with you what that looks and “feels like” in real terms... after you drop your child off at our Academy each day.

Our Open Day will be different to our family “Learning Together” sessions, which will come later on in the year. The Open Day will be more of a ‘fly on the wall’ type experience where you can come in and observe a variety of lessons across school – from Nursery all the way up to Year 2 – not just within your child’s class. The day will be facilitated by Claire and I and other key leaders who will help provide you with a narrative as to what is going on and explain the learning taking place. We will help usher you around school and signpost you to different lessons/year groups and answer questions about our provision. It will be a great opportunity for you to see exactly what learning is like throughout our School.



We're a PAPERLESS School – so you must download & register your **ParentMail App** to receive e-newsletters, to book after-school clubs & Parents' meetings or to confirm consent for educational visits.

If you are interested in attending our Open Day, please complete the invitation / form which is now available on ParentMail. On the day, you will come into the school hall at 8:55am, having dropped off your child. There will be refreshments available and you will be provided with a timetable for the morning. Claire and I will give you a short explanation about the learning you'll expect to see, our signature pedagogy and some of the key characteristics of our provision. We'll convene at break-time and then again at 11:30 for a 'Question and Answer' session in small groups.

**Please note that there will be strictly no admission to the Open Day after 9am, so if you'd like to attend, please make sure that you are on time!**

As an NLE (National Leader of Education) we host days like this to other schools in order to share our Outstanding expertise with them. We thought that it would be nice to give you the privilege of encountering this experience for yourselves so that you might also see learn a bit more about how our school works and what makes it just so special. Please note however, this will be more of a "whisper and watch"/"silent and see"-style session, rather than our more familiar "Learning Together" sessions. Similarly, Parents' Meetings, occurring the week after, will be the time for you to talk to your child's class teacher about your child and to see the progress that they are making and their books "close up".

Sadly, due to space restrictions, we are limited to two family members per family only. Mobile phones will not be allowed (as we want the children to not be distracted and for you to see, as much as possible, what happens "normally"). Because of the large number of people expected, buggies will also not be allowed in School.

We would love it if you could make it. So, if you're interested, please complete the ParentMail invitation today and I hope to see you all there!

Yours sincerely,



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