

# Thames View Infants



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Dear Parents / Carers;

## Autumn Newsletter



I hope you have a lovely Half Term break next week, relaxing and #MakingMemories with your children. Next half term is one of my favourites as it's jam packed full of beautiful events that will give our children even more great memories for later in life. Before we all break up, I thought I'd send you out a summary of some of the exciting plans that we have in store for the children after the half term break.



## Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Hallowe'en



This Half Term we are running a **Pumpkin Lantern Competition** and we would like *all* of the children to make a pumpkin lantern / jack-o-lantern at home with their grown-ups. When you've finished, take a photograph of your creation and upload it to Twitter remembering to tag us in! We are @TVInfants and @ClaireTVI. We'll even be giving out prizes after the break for the most creative designs! Please see the separate letter about this competition which will be coming out on ParentMail this week. #TVIHalloween.



## Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Diwali



Our Hindu and Sikh families will be celebrating Diwali on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November. As a School, we value the rich diversity of our Community and as part of our curriculum we recognise a range of celebrations shared within our families. As you know, we celebrated Harvest just a few weeks ago. In celebration of Diwali, we will be holding a special Diwali assembly for our children on this day with a delicious Diwali themed meal for school lunch.



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.



## Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Guy Fawkes Night

To celebrate Guy Fawkes Night at school we'll be holding a special Assembly on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November all about the story of Guy Fawkes and his famous Gunpowder Plot. We'll also be having a special Bonfire Night themed

lunch at school.



## Reading and Literacy You Tube Video for Reception Parents

For our Reception Parents, there's a special Reading and Literacy YouTube video coming up after the break. Adam Dobson will be letting you all know how you can best support your child's reading and phonics at home. Tune in to see his top tips and advice for Reading and Literacy in Reception.



## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Nursery Parent/Teacher Meetings

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November our Nursery teachers will be hosting their first set of online ZOOM Parent Meetings for our Nursery families. These meetings are extremely important since they'll let you know how your child has settled into Nursery here at TVI. So, if you haven't done so already, and you're one of our Nursery Parents, please book your meeting now using the ParentMail App.



## Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Day

This year we'll be celebrating Children in Need at school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Please keep an eye out for the letter closer to the date telling you all about what we're going to be doing at school in order to help Pudsey raise money for Children in Need.



Please note that this will be a non-uniform day and the theme will be "Two Pounds for Pudsey" – with children making a £2 donation each towards BBC Children In Need.

So, as you can see, we really do have a jam-packed Autumn ahead of us! I've not listed everything above, so please do still keep an eye on your ParentMail so that you don't miss out on anything else exciting going on here at TVI over the coming half term.

Yours sincerely,

**Paul Jordan**  
**Headteacher**

