

Thames View Infants



Bastable Avenue
Barking
Essex, IG11 0LG
020 82704317
07950 440 843 (texts only)

Paul Jordan Headteacher
Paul.Jordan@Thamesviewinfants.org

Rosa Corcoran-Jones Deputy Headteacher
Rosa.Corcoran-Jones@Thamesviewinfants.org

Adam Dobson Deputy Headteacher
Adam.Dobson@Thamesviewinfants.org

Office@thamesviewinfants.org
www.ThamesViewInfants.org
@TVInfants



2nd February 2023

Dear Parent / Carer,

What's On @TVI

It's still chilly outside but Spring is just around the corner! We've got lots going on this half term and so I thought I'd send you a summary of all the events that we've got coming up soon...



Safer Internet Day @TVI – Tuesday 7th February

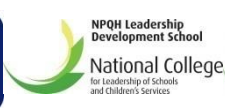
Next week, on Tuesday 7th February, it's Safer Internet Day and here at TVI we'll be doing our best to promote this day and teach the children how best to stay safe online. We'll be having a special assembly for the children and for you, our parents and carers, Adam and Rosa will be hosting a special meeting. Please come along to our special session for parents next Tuesday morning:

How To Keep Children Safe Online Meeting For Parents

Tuesday, 7th February 2023 9am (School Hall) and repeated again via ZOOM at 4pm.

Sycamore Trust Coffee Morning @TVI – Thursday 9th February

Sycamore Trust UK is a charity based in Barking and Dagenham which supports parents and carers for whom Autistic Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and/or Learning Difficulties are a part of everyday life. We work closely with our colleagues at this charity and we are delighted to let you know that they will be joining us for a special coffee morning next Thursday at 9am. You are welcome to join us for this event. It will be a fantastic opportunity to have any questions that you want answered and receive some specialist support and guidance.



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.

Children's Mental Health Week – Dress to Express on Friday 10th February

In support of Children's Mental Health Week, next Friday will be a non-uniform Day at Thames View Infants and the theme is 'Dress to Express'. Children are encouraged to use colour to express themselves by wearing a colourful outfit or an outfit of their choice to express themselves and express how they're feeling. The outfits can be as wild and wacky as you like.



SATS Meeting for Year 2 Parents – Thursday 23rd February

Keep an eye out for our letter to Year 2 parents inviting you in to a special meeting at the end of this month. Rosa and Rofiya will be advising you on the children's upcoming SATs Assessments and giving you some top-tips on how you can best assist your child at home.

Book Look @TVI – Tuesday 28th February and Wednesday 1st March

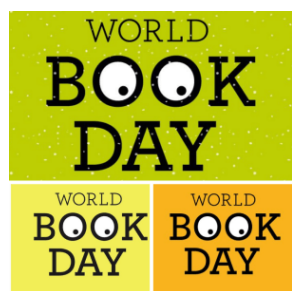
The children have been working really hard in School and their learning is impressive. Come into your child's class after school on either Tuesday 28th February or Wednesday 1st March and have a look through your child's school books. Your child's Teacher will be available to answer any questions that you might have.



Story Box Competition – Make a Story Box with your child – Wednesday 1st March

As part of our World Book Day celebrations this year we have decided to invite all of our children to recreate a scene from their favourite story, inside a box (shoe box/cereal box etc), as a project to do at home with their families.

The idea is that you find an old box (shoe box/cereal box etc) and you and your child decide on a scene that you'd like to create. You then work on this at home with your child and your child will be given the opportunity to use their box to retell the story to their classmates in World Book Week. On 1st March you will be invited into school to help put the finishing touches to your child's masterpiece! We'll have lots of glitter, glue-sticks, sequins, tissue paper and all manner of arty-crafty bits and bobs for you to use. All you have to do is to come along! Keep an eye out on ParentMail for your invitation to this event.



World Book Day @TVI – Friday 3rd March

This year we'll be celebrating World Book Day @TVI on Friday 3rd March. Keep an eye out on ParentMail for the letter regarding this exciting day – as usual we'll be celebrating in style at TVI and it'll be a dress up day for all children with prizes for the best costumes.

Gruffalo Theatre Workshops for Reception – Friday 3rd March

On Friday 3rd March our Reception children will be participating in some very exciting Gruffalo themed theatre workshops in school. They'll be finding out how the quick witted mouse journeys through the forest meeting a host of hungry animals along the way! We've deliberately booked these workshops in for World Book Day to make the day as fun filled as possible for all of our Reception children.



Year 1 Visit to Colchester Zoo – 13th and 14th March

Our Year 1 children will be going to Colchester Zoo in March. The letter will be going out soon about this exciting visit so Year 1 parents – keep your eyes peeled. This is always one of the children's favourite visits and they're sure to have a great time.



Gorillas and Giraffes will be going on Monday 13th March and Tigers and Zebras will be going on Tuesday 14th March.

Red Nose Day – Friday 17th March



It's Red Nose Day on Friday 17th March. We'll be celebrating in our usual style here at TVI so keep an eye out on ParentMail for our letter letting you know what we'll be doing on this day to raise money for this important charity.

Mother's Day Golden Time @TVI – Friday 17th March

It's Mother's Day on Sunday March 19th. In celebration of this and we will be inviting all of our mums / female carers into School on Friday afternoon for a special Mother's Day Golden Time. Make a note in your diary of this special afternoon and we'll send out more information closer to the time.



Year 2 Visit to Rainham Marshes – Tuesday 21st March and Wednesday 22nd March

In support of their learning in Science this term, our Year 2 children will be going to Rainham Marshes in March. If you have a child in Year 2, please make a note of these dates in your diary and keep an eye out on ParentMail for more information.

Important things you need to know...

Does your child have the correct P.E. uniform?

For safety and hygienic reasons all children are expected to change for P.E. It is compulsory that all children wear the correct kit for PE and these are sold via ParentMail.

All children need the following kit in school at all times:



- A white t-shirt and navy shorts
- A tracksuit (joggers and hoody) for outdoor PE on chilly days.
- Plimsoles or trainers for outdoor activities. (Please note that children do not wear footwear for indoor PE – it's safer to work in bare feet).
- A PE Bag

Please note that, for health and safety reasons, children may not wear joggers whilst undertaking PE in the hall.

Afterschool Learning Sessions

Please note that the current block of Afterschool Learning Sessions will finish at Half Term. We will be running new sessions after the break and more information about these will be sent out via ParentMail shortly.

There's lots more coming up this term so please make sure that you're checking ParentMail every single day...there will be Parent Meetings at the end of March and your child's annual report will be sent home that week too. We'll be rounding off the term with our annual Easter Bonnet parade before we break up for Easter. So, as you can see, there's lots and lots to look forward to this term.

Yours sincerely,



Paul Jordan
Headteacher