



Theydon Bois Primary  
School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is Friday again after a busy few weeks. Everything from Public Speaking to Netball glory can be celebrated in this edition of our newsletter.

#### **Netball**

On Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 both our Year 5 and 6 Netball teams played against St Johns C o f E Primary school right here at Theydon Bois Primary. Both teams played very well and were a true credit to our school. Our Year 5 team drew their match 2-2. Our Year 6 team really shone by beating St Johns 15 goals to 4. Magnificent!

#### **Football**

There will be no football training on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **PTA Easter Raffle**

Raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle will be sold from today by members of our PTA.

#### **Theydon Bois Spellathon**

Awesome! Amazing! Fabulous! Fantastic! Superb Spelling! A massive THANK YOU to each and every child, each and every parent and donator, each and every PTA member and each and every member of staff. Thank you for your donations and sponsorships, thank you for your generosity, thank you children for learning your spellings with such enthusiasm, thank you staff for making it all happen!

We made an incredible **£9,300** in sponsorships and donations! Wow!

#### **Class Prizes:**

Best average score for each Key Stage:

EYFS/KS1: First - **Pakes**      Second - **Baldocks**

KS2: First - **Harewood**      Second - **Piercing**

Most funds raised by a class in each Key Stage (based on average per child):

EYFS/KS1: **Baldocks**

KS2: **Harewood**

#### **Staff**

On a sad note, we would like to inform you that Mr Blyth, Blackacre class teacher, is leaving us at Easter. After five years of great service to the children of our school and the community he will be sincerely missed but will certainly be a great asset to his new school. All of the best for the future Mr Blyth! Details about the staffing structure in Blackacre will follow in a separate letter to parents.

### **Breakfast and After School Club**

I would like to remind you that Breakfast Club starts at 8.00 am every morning, therefore, please ensure that your child does not arrive earlier than this. Similarly After School Club finishes promptly at 5.45 pm and your co-operation in collecting your child(ren) by no later than this is much appreciated.

### **Public Speaking**

We were over the moon when we made it through to the final. The competition was very strong but we knew that we were well prepared. The topic was 'How to tell a fact from an opinion?' We did a great job in presenting our argument but did not quite make the first place although it was very close. It was a great experience and a little bit scary speaking in front of an audience. By Heidi A, Elizabeth N and Lula A.

### **Attendance**

Attendance for week beginning 11/03/2019

Attendance winners for last week's attendance is Woburn Class with an attendance of 98%. Well done Woburn! The average for the school was 93.1% - we are aiming at least 96% whole school attendance for any given week. We have a bit of work to do there. Come on Theydon Bois, we can do it!

### **Online Safety**

Due to the increasing number of children using the app Tik-Tok, we have included this guide for parents, as you may be unaware of any dangers children are getting into when sharing videos.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/tik-tok-app-safety-what-parents-need-to-know/>

With the growing popularity of 'Youtubers' wishing to become famous, we do feel the younger children are putting themselves at risk more and more. Can we please ask that you have a conversation with your children about the apps, games and websites they are using, especially when sharing videos, live streaming and chatting through games?

The Internet is a wonderful place where lots of learning can happen, if used safely!

Should you need any help please use; <http://www.theydonbois.essex.sch.uk/learning/online-safety> or ask to speak to Mrs Bullock who may be able to guide you further.

### **Dates for your diary**

Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April

PTA Mother's Day stall

Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet assembly

Term ends at **2:00 pm**

INSET day only staff attend

School re-opens for the Summer Term at 8:55 a.m.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher