



Theydon Bois Primary
School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back! I hope you have had an enjoyable summer. The children have certainly had lots of exciting stories to share.

Welcome to our new Foundation Stage children and their families who are starting on Monday. We wish all our new families a special Theydon Bois welcome, and we hope they will continue to enjoy their time at Theydon Bois Primary School. We look forward to working with you. I know you will continue to work with us, so your child can grow in confidence, with a love of learning, and a determination to be the best person they can be. It is lovely to see so many children returning to school looking so smart in their school uniform.

Class Meetings

Parents are invited to join their child's class teacher for a meeting when details about classroom expectations and curriculum will be shared. These meetings have been well attended in recent years and parents reported how valuable they were. These meetings will take place between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. on the following days:

Date	Class	Teachers
Monday 10 th September	Pakes	Miss Williams
Tuesday 11 th September	Blackacre	Mr Blyth
Wednesday 12 th September	Piercing	Miss Sagggers/Miss Maclaran
Thursday 13 th September	Harewood	Mrs Farley
Friday 14 th September	Purlieu	Mrs Daines
Monday 17 th September	Woburn	Miss Lane
Tuesday 18 th September	Buxton	Miss Cappoci
Wednesday 19 th September	Baldocks	Mrs Creasey/Miss Spence
Thursday 20 th September	Coppice	Miss Barwell

School Improvements

Over the six weeks summer holidays a significant amount of new and exciting developments took place at our lovely school. Mr Bristow was very busy installing double doors for the hall cupboard, painting, making shoe racks for Harewood and Piercing as well as liaising with various contractors on site. Thank you Mr Bristow!

I am sure you have seen the article in the village news about Mr Peter Arthy, one of our parent governors, and his team of volunteers painting the outside of our school. What a fantastic job! The whole school looks bright and fresh, ready for a new year. A massive thank you to you and your team from all of us at Theydon Bois Primary! Mr Simon Harris and his team constructed a roof and porch on our PE storage container. Thanks Simon! It looks great. The foundation stage play area benefits from a whole new artificial grass play surface. Happy playing Orchard and Forest! To keep fit and being able to use our lovely field in the winter and wet months, we laid a 400m tarmac track all around the school field for the mile a day initiative, PE or just relaxing walks. This is only phase 1 of what will become Theydon Bois Trim Trail with exercise stations, trees and benches dotted along the track. Exciting times!

Swimming

Weekly sessions will commence next week until the October half-term, as follows:

Tuesday: Baldocks, Pakes, Year 5/6 (lunchtime fun swim)

Wednesday: Years 3 and 4 (both swimmers and non-swimmers)

Friday: Blackacre

(Non-swimmers in Years 5/6 will be notified separately of their swim times).

Parking/Drop Off

Can I please remind parents to keep the safety of our children and parents in mind at all times when dropping children at school? Please ensure you do not park on the double yellow lines, over residents' driveways or endanger lives by reckless driving. You can park further up the road or in the Village Hall car park. Please ask at the school office for a Village Hall parking permit, these are free. It is everybody's responsibility to keep our children safe.

Diary Dates

Diary dates will be updated during the course of next week – some dates are still being confirmed with organisers. Once the dates are confirmed we will send these out and publish them on our website.

Agora

As you may be aware, there have been some issues with this on-line payment system over the holidays which has meant that some parents have been unable to log on to their child's account. We have been assured that the problems have now been resolved and we thank you for your patience and understanding.

Uniform

As you are aware, the office staff are working very hard to deal with all uniform orders as quickly as possible and thank you for your patience at this busy time. On the subject of uniform, please ensure that all clothing items, book bags, rucksacks, water bottles etc. are clearly marked with your child's name as a lot of time is spent dealing with lost property, which could be avoided.

Medical

If you were requested to provide a replacement for out-of-date medication please hand this in to the school office as soon as possible.

Clubs

Information/booking forms for activity clubs not run by the school are sent out in book bags where relevant. Please ensure that your child is actually booked into a particular club as some quickly become oversubscribed. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

Day	Activity	Start date	Year groups	Times	Location
Monday	Tag Rugby	17 th September	5 & 6	8:15 – 8:45 am	Outside
	Cheerleading	17 th September	4 - 6	3:15 – 4:15 pm	Hall
	Boys Street Dance	10 th September	3 – 6	3:15 – 4:15 pm	Classroom
	Sewing Club	17 th September	3 – 6	3:15 – 4:15 pm	Classroom
Tuesday	Woodwind	11 th September	1 - 6	08:45 – 12 noon	TBA
	School Gymnastics	18 th September	By invitation	3:15 – 4:15 pm	Hall
	Computer Club	11 th September	4 - 6	3:15 – 4:15 pm	ICT Suite
Wednesday	Guitar	12 th September	KS2	All day	Demountable
	Fit4Fun Gym	12 th September	1 - 6	3:15 – 4:15	Hall
Thursday	Multi-Sports	13 th September	1 - 3	3:15 – 4:15	Hall/Outside
Friday	Netball training	14 th September	5 & 6	8:15 – 8:45 am	Outside
	Piano	14 th September	1 - 6	9:00 – 3:15 pm	Demountable

Centre Stage Drama (Wednesday and Thursday) to be advised

PTA news

Parent Teacher Association (PTA) – constitution changes

In advance of the PTA AGM, we would like to inform you that we intend to make some changes to our constitution. The driver for this is to update it in line with more modern working practices and the way in which the committee operates. We will run through these before we submit for approval at the meeting but if you would like any information in advance, please contact the Treasurer at hannah.r.williams@hotmail.co.uk.

PTA – accounts

We are looking for an accountant to independently examine the PTA accounts for the year ended 31 July 2018. If anyone is able to help, please also contact the Treasurer.

Yours sincerely

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