



Theydon Bois Primary  
School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Just over two weeks into the new year and we are running full steam on all cylinders again. The children are settled in their classes and engage in lessons as if they have never been away. We are all looking forward to a very exciting 2019.

**Christmas Jumper Day**

Thank you to everyone who supported our participation in the Save The Children Fund "Christmas Jumper Day" in December. Simply through wearing our Christmas jumpers a total of £277.50 was raised, which is enough to fund a child in Africa to attend school for a year.

**School Clubs and Activities**

Information about the various clubs and other activities run at the school have been sent out either by the school office or directly by the providers themselves. We endeavour as far as possible to keep you informed of start dates and times, however, it would be helpful if you could retain this information yourselves for each activity your child might attend. Please be aware that there may be occasions when a club does not run either due to a scheduled break (eg. Consultation Evenings) or illness. We will, of course, endeavour to give you as much notice as possible if this is the case.

**After-School Club**

There are currently spaces at our After-School Club which runs from 3:15 – 5:45 p.m. every day from Monday to Thursday. We would like to remind you that we are now a registered Childcare Provider and as such can accept payments through this tax free Government scheme. Please contact Mrs Bedwell in the school office if you require any further information on the scheme.

**Online Safety**

With the increasing use of social media with our children, can we please remind parents of the importance of online safety. Each month we update the school website with newsletters from Internet Matters and Ditto (Alan Mackenzie our online safety specialist). Plus lots of helpful links to use for all aspects of online safety. <http://www.theydonbois.essex.sch.uk/learning/online-safety>

### **Dinner Money**

If you wish to pay for dinner money in advance for the whole of this half term the cost will be **£73.60**. Please ensure that your child's dinner money account is credited with sufficient funds to cover the costs of the food provided to them. Should you have any queries with the Agora payment system please do not hesitate to contact the school office

### **Drop off at school**

School staff have observed on a number of occasions recently that parents are pulling up outside school in front of the barrier and dropping their children off straight from their cars. This practice is dangerous, even if the child is accompanied by an adult. Please ensure that you have sufficient time in the morning to park safely and walk your child into school or drop them at a safe distance so they can walk themselves on the pavement.

### **School Closure Advice**

In the event of Theydon Bois Primary School needing to close due to adverse weather conditions parents can find the notification on [www.essex.gov.uk](http://www.essex.gov.uk) or on our school website/ twitter. The radio stations are no longer issuing names of school closures.

### **Nut allergy Reminder**

Please remember that this is a Nut Free School. Please ensure that no products containing nuts are brought into school in snacks or in lunchboxes.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Rall', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr A Rall  
Headteacher