



Thurcroft Infant School Newsletter



March 2017

Thank you!

We would like to say thank you to everyone who took part in our Wear Red for The Mayors Charity. We were visited by the Mayor and some special guests who we helped to raise money for.



We raised £166.77 for the charity Guide Dogs for the Blind which helps to provide freedom and mobility to both blind and partially sighted people. It also campaigns for rights which people often take for granted like access to services, transport and provision of better rehabilitation services. We received a special letter of thanks from the

Attendance

For the first term the class attendance was as follows:

- F2WH — 95.3%
- F2NG—94.3%
- Y1JM—93.4%
- Y1FN—96.4%
- Y1/F2TS—94.4%
- Y2MS—98%
- Y2DW—97.1%
- Y2AT—95.4%

This meant that overall the school attendance target was 95.4% which is below the target of 95.5% that we need to meet. We are aware you can't help being poorly sometimes, but lets try to get to school more this term!

Well done Y2MS who ended on the highest percentage and also Y2DW who had the most weeks with the highest attendance. Well done!

Mrs Godwin

It is Mrs Godwins last day on Friday 10th March. Sadly for us she has received a promotion at another school and will be leaving us to take on her new role as Office Manager in March. All the best for your new job, we will all miss you greatly.



Important Dates

Year 2 Visit—Winterhill CLC—Dependant on class — 8th March or 5th April

Parent Consultations—Wednesday 15th March
Thursday 16th March

Science Fun Day—17th March

Red Nose Day—Friday 24th March

Break up Friday 7th April

Back to School Monday 24th April

Parent Charter Reaccreditation—27th April

Savings Club

Does your child enjoy their school trips and visits?

You can save as little or as much as you would like each week

Join Our Savings Club

You can use this club to pay for **YOUR** child's:

- School trips/visits
- Afterschool clubs
- Milk at school

Any monies saved can be withdrawn at any time.

Ask at reception for how to get started.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will be held on Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March. Look out for sign up sheets displayed in classrooms in due course. It is the perfect time to get an insight into your child's progress.

Note: Children to accompany adults to the consultations please.

Red Nose Day

This year Red Nose Day is on Friday 24th March. This year we are joining in raising money to help tackle poverty by Wearing Something Red on your Head!

This can be anything that you can think of that is red, and is wearable on your head. Please

get involved and bring in a contribution for the cause.



Science Fun Day



In support of British Science Week, we are holding a science fun day on Thursday 6th April!

We will be having an interactive, hands on experience with Sublime Science coming in to visit us.

They have featured on

Dragons Den and have been highly rated by net mums.

Take a look at their website for more information: www.sublimescience.com/faqs/

We will be taking part in some spectacular and exciting science activities so it promises to be an action packed day.



Parent Voice

The Next parent voice group will be held on Tuesday 14th March at 2pm.

On the agenda will be:

- Savings Club
- Fundraising ideas

All are welcome to attend the meeting, so please come along and share your ideas and have your say!

Big Lottery Fund

We have been very fortunate to receive a grant of £10,000 from Awards For All which aims to improve life for local people and neighbourhoods.



LOTTERY FUNDED

We have started to use the grant by implementing holiday clubs for Year 1 and Year 2, which are invitation only and based on Mrs Magical Maths and Professor Fun Phonics.

The first Year 2 club which ran in half term was very positive and the children enjoyed the fun activities that were put on to help them meet

Parent Charter

We are proud to announce that we will be re-accredited as Parent Charter Gold on the April 27th. Schools awarded Charter Gold have demonstrated excellent Charter practice including processes working in partnership with parents and carers, gathering feedback and communicating outcomes and ensuring children all get the support they need to be able to thrive and develop. A huge well done to everyone

involved at Thurcroft Infants for making our school the very best it can be.



Rotherham Charter

Basic Skills

We are also proud to announce that we will be getting Basic Skills reaccreditation from the local authority.

Our Quality Mark is about the basic skills of reading, writing, spelling and number work - the skills all children need.



Our Quality Marks says that our school:

- Has a strategy and an action plan to improve the children's reading, writing and number work and assess to see if extra help is needed.
- Makes sure that children have plans to improve on their reading, literacy and numeracy.
- Reviews progress made by all children.
- Uses different ways of teaching based on what each child needs.
- Has good resources to help children improve
- Encourages parents to help their child with reading, writing and number work.