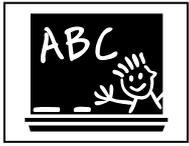


# Thomas Russell Junior School

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## Newsletter



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### Laches Wood



Welcome back Year 5 who have enjoyed a week of adventurous activities at Laches Wood Residential Centre this week.

I am sure you will join me in expressing heartfelt thanks to the staff who have accompanied the children and secured a happy and fun-filled experience.

Y5 Parents - Do remember to join us next Friday at 9:30 on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April for Year 5's assembly to share some of their memories from this trip.

**Visitor Lunches** - Thank you so much to all of the parents and grandparents who joined us this week for our 'Visitor Lunches'. We really hope you enjoyed the opportunity to have a school lunch, but also the chance to spend some time with your child having a look around their classroom and at their work. Clearly the children were very proud to be sharing their books and school environment with visitors. Thank you for your kind and positive comments.

**Spring Fair - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April - 3:45 - 4:45** - Year 6 children are getting super organised for their stalls at the Spring Fair.

Don't forget that the Friends will also be holding a raffle, tombola and refreshments stalls. We would be really grateful to have any cake donations, either homemade or shop bought on Wednesday morning. Thanks.

**Decorated Easter Egg Competition** - Children should bring their decorated egg to school first thing in the morning on Wednesday. We will be creating a gallery of entries to the competition which parents can view during the Spring Fair.

Don't forget to include your name and class on the entry. The Co-op have kindly donated prizes for a boy and girl in each class and the Co-op Store Manager will be coming to judge the competition alongside our ladies from the kitchen.

Feeling a bit short on inspiration? I've been reliably informed that you'll find some great ideas on Pinterest!

Please do come along and support this Friends' fundraiser and the Y6 children.

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**Extra-Curricular Activities** - Please note the only clubs running next week are **Easter Craft, Forest Schools** and **Gymnastics**. Please also remember that there is **NO NIGHT OWLS** on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

### **Next week...**

Lots to cram in to our last week of the Spring Term:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2:00-3:30pm - Y3 Tea Party with music (Y3 pupils have invited the person of their choice)

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1:30pm - Live Music concert (for pupils only)

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 3:45pm - Spring Fair and Decorated Egg Competition

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 9:30am - Big Awards Assembly (invited parents)

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 9:30am - Laches Wood Assembly

### **Summer Term...**

We already have quite a few dates in the diary for next term:

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 8:50 - Return to school
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May - BANK HOLIDAY
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Y4 visit to Whitemoor Lakes Residential.
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May - SATs Week
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May - Y4-6 Circus Skills demonstration, then Y6 Circus Skills Workshop Day  
Y3 - Poole's Cavern visit (more information to follow next week)
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May, 3:45 - 4:45 - Friends Meeting (*\*we would also like to canvas opinion from those parents who work and are unable to attend a meeting after school. If you would be interested in an evening meeting time (e.g. 7pm) please drop us a line at [questions@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:questions@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk) so we can check out the interest. Thanks*)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May - Sports Day programmes out (so you can see your child's races and approximate times)
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 9:30 - Helping Hands Coffee Morning
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May - SPORTS DAY
- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Half Term
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Back to School
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 9:00 - Parent Forum
- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June - Duathlon (after school)
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 at JTHS Transition Days
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 to PGL Residential
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 10:00 - Leavers' Assembly
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 3:15 - Leavers' Parade and end of Term (No Night Owls)

*Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe*