## Thomas Russell Junior School

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# Newsletter



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Headteacher: Mrs S Sharpe

19th October 2018

#### **Harvest**

Thank you so much for the magnificent turn out at our Harvest Assembly today. We thought the children performed absolutely brilliantly and were so proud that they wrote almost all of their own words too.

Clearly we need a bigger hall if we are going to keep putting on such lovely shows.

#### **Parent Forum**

We have had a few expressions of interest for our Parent Forum, but still have a number of vacancies for other parents.

Please see last week's newsletter for more information.

You don't have to have been on the Parent Forum before – all we want is a large group of parents, who represent children across all ages / genders / interests and abilities, who are keen to help us make provision at Thomas Russell Junior School even better.

#### **Parent Consultations**

We look forward to welcoming all of our parents and carers to school next week for consultations evenings. Please come and sign in the hall when you first arrive. There will be complimentary drinks and biscuits and an opportunity to look at some of your child's work. From there, parents will be sent to the correct room for their appointments. Out of respect for other parents waiting, please ensure you listen for the bell to indicate the end of your appointment. If you require longer, you are most welcome to make another appointment or arrange a follow up telephone call.

Our Y6 children will be running the Scholastic Book Fair on both evenings. Please help them out by checking their maths to ensure we take the right money and give the correct change. Your support is much appreciated - for every £10 parents spend £6 worth of books will be donated to the school library and extended reading scheme.

#### School Crossing Patrol

Sadly, we have to inform parents that the school crossing patrol Becky Griffin who operates on Gilmour Lane is leaving the area, her last day will be Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Please be advised that after this date, due to high levels of sickness/absences/vacancies, it may not be possible to cover this crossing point. Where possible if pedestrians could use the school crossing patrol a little further along Efflinch Lane/Short Lane, then use the path at the rear of the pond to school. Should you require any further information about the School Crossing Patrol, please do not hesitate to contact Caroline Pegg, School Crossing Area E Organiser. Mob: 07773 791 502

Email: Caroline.pegg@staffordshire.gov.uk

#### Sports Kit

We've had some brilliant sporting successes recently and have attended a huge range of events - unfortunately this bring us a slight kit dilemma. Please could we ask that all sports kit is washed and returned to school (ideally in the labelled carrier bag) as quickly as is reasonably possible. We can have 3 or 4 events in the same week so would prefer children not to hold on to a kit even if they know they have been selected to represent the school again in another week or so. Thank you.

### Christmas Cards

The deadline for orders for Christmas Cards is Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – please could all payments be made via Parent Pay by this date. Thanks/

Best wishes, Mrs Sharbe