Thomas Russell Junior School

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Newsletter



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We would all like to say a huge well done to Ethan W in Y5 who has become a young volunteer for 'Humanity Unites', a charity supporting homeless people offering food, clothing and outreach.

Ethan helps out every other Sunday serving meals and drinks as well as helping to tidy tables and stack chairs - what a generous way to spend his time. Well done Ethan!

This time of year is a great opportunity to pause and reflect on how we can show kindness to others, through our words and actions.

Why not make this a dinner table discussion this weekend?

Perhaps children could start to plan their New Year's Resolutions with kindness and generosity towards others in mind.

Swimming Success

Congratulations to Holly, Louise, George, Thomas, Orla, Bella, Lucas and Dylan who took part in the Upper School Swimming Gala at Kings Bromley this week.

We are really pleased to announce the children brought the winner's trophy back to school and were also praised for their behaviour and sporting attitudes towards each other and the other schools.





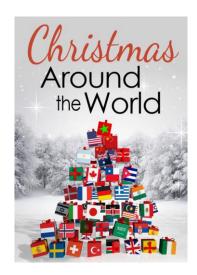
<u>Christmas post boxes</u> are out in school - if your child intends on using them to deliver their cards, please ensure they have put the recipient's full name and class on the envelope.

Postage is free and our Y6 elves will be helping with deliveries.

Last minute notices for next week:

We have Christmas Dinner Day on Wednesday next week which should have been booked and paid for if your child is joining us for this festive meal.





We are at St. James' Church for 'Christmas Around the World' at 2pm on Thursday. Children are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers with their school uniform. Please ensure any nativity costumes are ready in school for our rehearsal on Monday - thank you.

Children are able to leave with parents from the church. We require a written note if your child is being collected by someone other than a family member. There is not enough room in the church for school bags etc., so these will be left in school overnight. Also please either send sandwiches in disposable packaging on this day or lunchboxes can be taken home on Friday.

On Friday we have our much anticipated trip to see Mary Poppins 2 - on the day it is released! - at the Red Carpet Cinema.

Children are again invited to wear Christmas
Jumpers with their school uniform.

We will be going to the cinema in two large mixed age groups, and have both screens at the cinema for both visits. We will organise children eating their dinners and sandwiches around the cinema trips, but please be aware meal times may be slightly adjusted given the



showing times. Children will receive a drink and a biscuit at the cinema - if your child does not eat biscuits, then please provide a small snack that they can enjoy.

Autumn Reports will be coming home next Friday and please remember there will be no Night Owls, Soccer Stars or choir after school.

Children return to school on Tuesday 8^{th} January, but don't be confused by a full car park as staff are in on the Monday.

Amnesty

We are holding a Sports Kit and Library Book amnesty this week!

If you've accidently found that you have a little stash of black and green sports socks, or found a school library book had somehow been packed away in the loft with your Christmas tree last year!!, then this is the week to send it all back to school - no questions asked!

Thank you ©