

Thomas Russell Junior School

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Newsletter



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Headteacher: Mrs S Sharpe

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Dear all,

I know it is a bit early for a Newsletter, but I thought I'd rather write a Newsletter than the daily updates which I have been sending.

Clap for our Carers

Tonight at 8pm (if it's not past bed time) why not get your child to join the nation in the Clap for our Carers campaign.

To help learn more about it with your child - you could watch this Newsround link

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/52008734>

Some of us may have settled quite comfortably into 'Lockdown',

no early morning rush to get uniform on and breakfast eaten, no frantic attempts to park on the school run, no forgotten sandwich boxes or clarinets, no worry about is it this club, or that club and does your poppet have the right kit.

You might have taken the opportunity to cut the grass, or bake a cake with your child, or just spent a few hours in the garden building a den, playing on the trampoline and having a BBQ. These are all fabulous things to be doing and will certainly be the things that help to keep your children occupied and feeling safe during a scary time.

However, we also need to remember there are some amazing heroes out there whose lives have changed in completely the opposite way, some who have moved out of their homes to protect their loved ones while they continue to go to work. Some who are working incredibly long hours, wearing uncomfortable protective equipment for hours on end, and others who cannot get access to the protective equipment they need.

I will be showing my appreciation for all of these heroes at 8pm tonight and would love for as many Thomas Russell Junior families to join me. [#clapforourcarers](https://twitter.com/clapforourcarers)

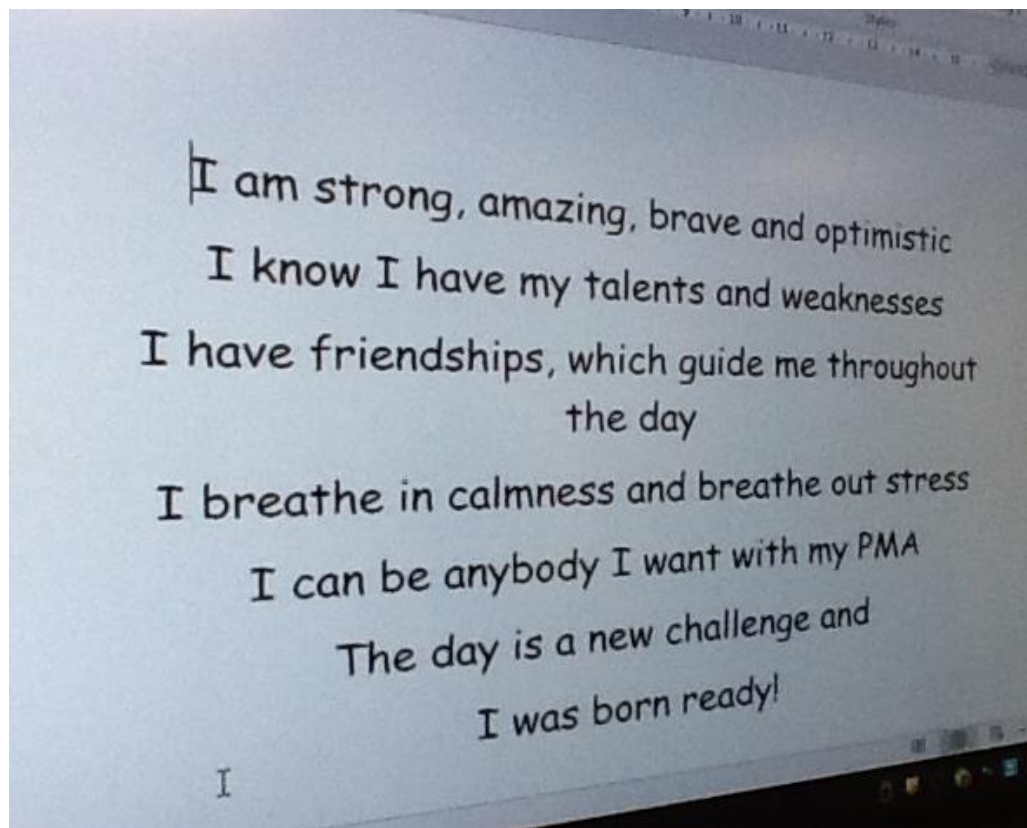
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During these unprecedented times they need to know that we are grateful.

Please join us on: 26th of March at 8pm
for a big applause (from front doors, garden, balcony, windows, living rooms, etc)
to show all who are working at the front line, our appreciation for their ongoing hard work and fight against this virus.

Please share this message, so we can make sure, the word spreads and reaches all to join!



Mindful Mantra

Here is our new Mindful Mantra, which is an amalgamation of all our entrants' ideas. Thank you to Noah, Bohemia, Abbi, Zaiba, Ruqaiyah, Silver, Alice, Martha and Grace for all their wonderful ideas.

Our mantra encompasses the areas we are focusing on with our mindfulness: positivity, creativity, relaxation concentration and resilience.

Please help us 'bring it to life' by illustrating it so we can display them throughout the school.

Send your pictures to skerrdelworth@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk Thank you!

Free Daily Resources For Children



PE with Joe Wicks On YouTube

Week days at 9am but you can visit any time on youtube to view the workout.

Wildlife With with Steve Backshall On Facebook
Every day at 9:30am for answering all your wildlife, biology, conservation, geography and exploration questions.



We've seen some brilliant pictures of children joining in with Joe Wicks (and heard some hilarious stories about staff and parents trying it too!)



Science with Maddie Moate on YouTube

Weekdays 11am. Maddie & Greg chat about science and nature!

Dance with Oti Mabuse On Facebook
Every day at 11.30am but children can view the class at any time.



If you're in need of a good sing song, once you've done Power in Me!, check our Myleene Klass - I can't guarantee it will be quite as much fun as choir, but it's worth a try!



Maths With Carol Vorderman

Free access to the her maths website:
www.themathsfactor.com

Music with Myleene Klass on YouTube
Twice a week. Next one Friday 27 March 10am, but can view any time.



Storytime With David Walliams

Free story everyday at 11am on his website:
www.worldofdavidwalliams.com

Sending you all lots of love from everyone at TRJS. Keep shining (and tuck your shirt in!!)

Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe