

# Thomas Russell Junior School

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## Newsletter



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Headteacher: Mrs S Sharpe

7<sup>th</sup> January 2022



Young Voices - I regret to inform parents and children who were hoping to attend the Young Voices 2022 concert at the end of January, that it has been postponed until later in this academic year.

As soon as I have a new date to share with you, I will let you know.

### Punctuality

*Please note the school gates are open from **8:40 to 8:50** for children to arrive. We are still having a number of children arriving late after the gate should be closed. Children have 10 minutes to get to classrooms, unload their bags, wash hands, register and complete morning activities, so any lateness can leave them feeling disorganised and removes valuable time for catching up with their friends before the day begins.*



### Reading Ambassadors



Miss Murfin would like to invite the Reading Ambassadors to two after school sessions this term to continue their work in these important roles. The dates are Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January & Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 3:30 – 4:30.

***We are still very keen to hold our Parent Workshop on 'Supporting children with anxiety' on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February. We are just awaiting final confirmation on the timings and arrangements. After we receive this we will open up the booking system for parents to secure their place.***



### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Thank you for the generosity of our teachers, who are giving their free time to offer such a great range of clubs to interest the children. We pride ourselves on offering a superb selection of activities and we know the children thoroughly enjoy and benefit from their experiences.

Our extra-curricular clubs are always exceptionally popular and places are given on a **first come, first served** basis. Clubs are limited to **TWO** per child in an effort to give a greater number of children chance to attend. Booking a paid club is an indication of commitment to pay the amount indicated. This will be loaded on Parent Pay on 10<sup>th</sup> Jan. SoccerStars does not count in the TWO clubs as they are an outside provider.

Please book Coding Club 1 OR 2 not both. Children who attended Forest School Club during Autumn Term cannot attend again in Spring to allow a range of children to attend this popular club.  
Any additional availability for clubs will be opened up on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> at lunchtime.

Day	Club	Staff running	Time	Year Groups	Cost	Dates running
Monday	Science Club	Miss Press	3:30 - 4:30	Science Ambassadors	Free	10, 17, 24, 31 Jan 7, 14 Feb
Monday	Computer Coding Club 1	Miss Hurdman	3:30 - 4:30	Y4, 5, 6	Free	10, 17, 24, 31 Jan 7, 14 Feb
Monday	Computer Coding Club 2	Miss Hurdman	3:30 - 4:30	Y4, 5, 6 (not those in Coding Club 1)	Free	28 Feb 7 14 21 28 March
Tuesday	Fun & Games - Y3	Mrs Kerr-Delworth	12:15 - 12:45	Y3	Free	Spring 2 - March to Apr Weekly at lunchtime
Tuesday	Ocarina Group	Miss Branson	12:45 - 1:15	All	Free	Spring 1 & 2 Weekly at lunchtime
Tuesday	Bananagrams	Miss Murfin	12:30 - 1:00	All	Free	Spring 1 & 2 Weekly at lunchtime
Tuesday	Tennis (Lower School)	Mrs Z Edwards	3:30 - 4:30	Y3 & Y4	Free	1 8 15 22 29 Mar 5 Apr
Tuesday	Clarinet Group	Mrs J Owens	3:30 - 4:10	Y5 & Y6	£30	11 18 25 Jan, 1 8 15 Feb 1 8 15 22 29 Mar, 5 Apr
Tuesday	Football	SoccerStars	3:30 - 4:30	All	Please sign up directly with SoccerStars; see form below (25 Jan - 15 Feb)	
Wednesday	Comic Strip Club	School Council	12:45 - 1:15	Alternate: Y3&6, Y4&5	Free	Weekly at lunchtime (drop in, no need to book)
Wednesday	Fun & Games - Y5	Mrs Kerr-Delworth	12:45 - 1:15	Y5	Free	Spring 1 - Jan to Feb Weekly at lunchtime
Wednesday	Cross Stitch Club	Mrs Rollins	3:30 - 4:30	All	Free	2 9 16 23 30 Mar 6 Apr
Thursday	Keyboard Group	Miss G Williams	3:30 - 4:10	All	£30	13 20 27 Jan, 3 10 17 Feb 3 10 17 24 31 Mar, 7 Apr
Thursday	Forest School	Mrs Jones	3:30 - 4:45	All (not those who did Autumn FS)	Free	3 10 17 24 31 Mar 7 Apr
Thursday	Golf	Mrs Vardy	3:30 - 4:30	Y3	Free	13 20 27 Jan 3 17 Feb (not 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb)
Thursday	Tennis (Upper School)	Mrs Z Edwards	3:30 - 4:30	Y5 & Y6	Free	3 10 17 24 31 Mar 7 Apr
Friday	Choir	Mrs Sharpe	3:30 - 4:30	All	Free	14 21 28 Jan, 4 Feb 4 11 18 25 Mar, 1 Apr

### Electronic Booking for Clubs

Bookings will open at 4:30pm tonight.

- 1) Log on to [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk)
- 2) Select: **Make a booking** and enter code: **jtwpf**
- 3) Enter e-mail, child(ren)'s first AND surname.
- 4) Choose child's year and clubs they would like to attend.
- 5) Receive **instant e-mail confirmation** of booking.



Please note you will not receive any further confirmation from school - once you have signed up and received your confirmation e-mail, your child's place is secured.

*Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe*

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- Individual Ball Familiarity
- Fun Themed Tournaments



School Years: 3 to 6

Time: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Dates: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January –  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February

Price: £20.00

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### COMING SOON IN 2022... NEW YEARS HOLIDAY COURSES

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022

- DERBY RUGBY CLUB
- ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE
- KIRK HALLAM COMMUNITY ACADEMY
- MELBOURNE SPORTS PARK
- THE PINGLE ACADEMY

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