

Thomas Russell Junior School

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Newsletter



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MURAL UNVEILING

Please come and join us as we celebrate the unveiling of the fabulous new mural in our Children's Library.

Meet local artist Alison Timmins, who worked with youngsters from the Barton area to produce this wonderful work of art!

The unveiling will take place at Barton Library on Saturday 17th December, 11am.

Light refreshments.

Christmas is a Time for Kindness...

I could not have been more proud as I looked around St. James' Church on Wednesday to see our children singing their hearts out, reading with such confidence, playing instruments beautifully and our marvellous little Nativity players who stole the show with their smiles. Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and family members who came along to support. We raised just over £300 in our collection, which we know will go to support fabulous work in our community and nearby at St. Giles Hospice.



Date for your diary:

Following the huge success of last years' Mardi Gras Parade, you will no doubt be pleased to hear that it is happening again on Saturday 18th February 2023!

The parade will start at 1pm from Holland Sports Club. We are looking for a group of parents and their children who would be interested in helping to decorate a float on behalf of the Junior School.

Please get in touch via

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Advanced notice:

From Monday 27th February, the cost of a school dinner will be increasing to £2.65. As you will be aware, there have been significant increases in costs for food, energy and staffing recently. Unfortunately, the kitchen is currently running at a loss so this increase is necessary to cover costs.

The children break up today until Wednesday 4th January 2023. We look forward to seeing you safe and well on our return.



I would like to say a huge thank you to the children and their parents for the wonderfully kind gifts, cards and treats that we have been receiving in school over the last few days. Your kindness is very much appreciated.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best wishes, Mrs Sharpe