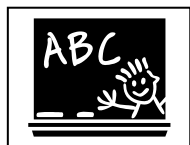


# Thomas Russell Junior School

Inspiring all, achieving together.



## Newsletter



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Headteacher Mrs S Sharpe

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### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Please see below the excellent selection of extra-curricular activities that we have on offer this term.

Thank you to our superb staff who are willing to give so freely of their time to provide such great experiences for the children.

| Day       | Club                            | Staff running                       | Time         | Year Groups | Dates running   | Cost |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|------|
| Monday    | Forest School Club 1            | Mrs K Jones                         | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 25/4, 9/5, 16/5, 23/5   | Free |
| Monday    | Forest School Club 2            | Mrs K Jones                         | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 13/6, 20/6, 27/6, 4/7, 11/7                                   | Free |
| Tuesday   | Homework Club / Mathsmania      | Mrs S Kerr-Delworth                 | 12:20 - 1:10 | All         | Every Tuesday lunchtime                                       | Free |
| Tuesday   | Athletics / Sports Day Practice | Burton Albion                       | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 19/4, 26/4, 3/5, 10/5, 17/5, 24/5, 7/6, 21/6, 28/6, 5/7, 12/7 | £22  |
| Wednesday | Hockey                          | Burton Albion                       | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 27/4, 4/5, 11/5, 18/5, 25/5, 8/6, 15/6, 22/6, 29/6, 6/7, 13/7 | £22  |
| Wednesday | Eco-Warriors                    | Mrs G Gahagan & Mrs L Vardy         | 3:30 - 4:30  | Invitation  | 27/4, 11/5, 18/5, 25/5, 8/6, 15/6, 22/6, 29/6, 6/7, 13/7      | Free |
| Wednesday | Choir                           | Mrs Sharpe, Mrs Rumsey & Mrs Cozens | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 27/4, 11/5, 18/5, 25/5, 8/6, 15/6, 22/6, 29/6                 | Free |
| Wednesday | Mario Kart Club 1               | Mr R Edwards                        | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 27/4, 4/5, 11/5, 18/5, 25/5                                   | Free |
| Wednesday | Mario Kart Club 2               | Mr R Edwards                        | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 15/6, 22/6, 29/6, 6/7, 13/7                                   | Free |
| Thursday  | Science Club                    | Miss C Murfin & Miss K Press        | 3:30 - 4:30  | Invitation  | 21/4, 28/4, 5/5, 19/5   | Free |
| Thursday  | Cricket / Rounders              | Miss C Marston                      | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 21/4, 28/4, 5/5, 12/5, 19/5, 9/6, 16/6, 23/6, 30/6, 14/7      | Free |
| Thursday  | Art Club                        | Mrs S Sanders                       | 3:30 - 4:30  | All         | 5/5, 12/5, 19/5, 26/5, 9/6, 16/6, 23/6, 30/6, 7/7, 14/7       | Free |
| Friday    | Skiing / Snowboarding           | Mrs S Sharpe                        | 3:30 - 5:30  | All         | 6/5, 13/5, 20/5, 10/6, 17/6, 24/6                             | £30  |

### Electronic Booking

Following excellent feedback last term, we are using the electronic system again to book Extra-Curricular Clubs for Summer Term. Please note booking are *first come, first served*.

- 1) Log on to [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk)
- 2) Enter **Extra-Curricular code: HWGRY**
- 3) Enter e-mail, child(ren)'s first **AND** surname.
- 4) Choose child's class from 'Year Group' and clubs they would like to attend.
- 5) Receive instant e-mail confirmation of booking.

*Bookings close Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.*

Receive Newsletters by e-mail, or ask a question: [questions@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:questions@thomasrussell-junior.staffs.sch.uk)

THE EASY WAY TO BOOK

## PARENT EVENINGS

Now you can book teachers for the times that suit you. Simply enter the event code and press "Go".



### News and Dates

Thank you so much to everyone who helped / attended / donated to the Easter Coffee Afternoon. It was super busy and has raised a fabulous £549 for future Friends' spending.

Today saw us hold a non-uniform day for the Spring Fair tombola. Many thanks for all your donations.

### Spring Fair

**Wednesday 20th April 3:45-4:45pm**

Come and support our Year 6 children as they create their own fun stalls. Running alongside them will be Tombola, Tea, Coffee and Cakes. Cake donations, homemade or shop bought on the morning will be very gratefully received - thank you.

### Next Friends' meeting

**Wednesday 4th May 3.30-4.30pm**

Discuss Sports Day, Duathlon, any other ideas and future spending plans. Please come along and have your say. Child care will be offered again, this time by Mrs Sanders - thank you. I'll even see if we can swing a cake again!

Steph Cartwright :)

### Sponsored Skip / Spell / Times Table



| x  | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10  |
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| 4  | 4  | 8  | 12 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 40  |
| 5  | 5  | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50  |
| 6  | 6  | 12 | 18 | 24 | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60  |
| 7  | 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 | 35 | 42 | 49 | 56 | 63 | 70  |
| 8  | 8  | 16 | 24 | 32 | 40 | 48 | 56 | 64 | 72 | 80  |
| 9  | 9  | 18 | 27 | 36 | 45 | 54 | 63 | 72 | 81 | 90  |
| 10 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 |

Before the holiday children brought home sponsor forms and information for a three-part Sponsored Challenge.

Whilst raising funds (50% to British Heart Foundation and 50% to School), we aim to improve our skipping, spelling and times tables skills.

We've heard good things about how hard children are practising already so keep going - you've got a couple of weeks yet to really excell!



We are over the moon with the positive impact that the move to Mellors Catering has had in school.

Children have been incredibly complimentary and excited about the new menu, which has largely been shaped by their requests. Portion sizes are noticeably larger and children are able to request more if they wish. This suits the needs of some of our older children - it never seemed to make sense that 11 year olds were served the same portion size as reception children, so we are really pleased with this positive step. The quality of food has been high with a number of children saying "best school dinner ever".

Please do let us have your feedback or suggestions so we can continually monitor the new service.

*Best wishes, Mrs S Sharpe*