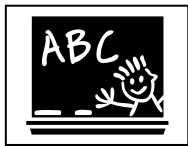


Thomas Russell Junior School

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Newsletter



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Headteacher Mrs S Sharpe

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Sports Day Success

Thank you so much to all of the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and carers who came along today to help make the event so fantastic. The weather was kind; children absolutely stunning in their efforts and huge thanks go to all of the staff who worked so hard to organise such a brilliant day. Clinton were the overall winners, with Jervis coming a close second, but congratulations go to all of the children (and parents) who finished somewhere on the podium – Well Done!



Parent View

We would be really grateful if all parents were able to log on to Parent View and answer 12 questions giving your perceptions about the school. This is a vital part of our assessment of the parental opinions of the school's strengths and areas for development.

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

We would appreciate if this could be completed by all parents over the next four weeks (by Fri 1st July) to support in our summary of progress this year and as we begin to plan actions for next year.

Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy on the Governing Body for a co-opted Governor. Would you like to:

- play your part in determining the strategic direction of the school?
- have your say about important decisions regarding staffing structure?
- make decisions regarding financial investments and spending?
- contribute to the growing success and achievements in a positive way?

If you answered yes to any or all of these questions, then you could make an excellent Co-opted Governor. No prior knowledge is required – just a willingness to learn. Please speak to any of our existing Governors if you would like to know more.

Duathlon Raffle

There is an error on the date on Duathlon raffle tickets that have been sent home with children.

Duathlon is Tuesday 14th June.

Photographs

Children will have brought home a proof of their class photo(s) this week. The deadline for orders is Wednesday 8th June.

Diary Dates

	<i>Back to School</i>
<i>Tues 7th June</i>	<i>My Money – Maths Parent Workshop 3.45 – 4.45pm</i>
<i>Tues 14th June (after school)</i>	<i>Duathlon – FULL Please ensure you have paid £5 per team on ParentPay</i>
<i>Wed 15th June</i>	<i>Parent Forum</i>
<i>Sat 18th – Sun 19th June</i>	<i>Barton Open Gardens Weekend (inc. Scarecrow Competition)</i>
<i>Fri 1st July</i>	<i>Please ensure you have uploaded responses to Parent View by today.</i>
<i>Fri 1st, Mon 4th & Tues 5th July</i>	<i>Y6 to JTHS Transition Days</i>
<i>Wed 6th – Fri 8th July</i>	<i>Y6 to PGL</i>
<i>Fri 15th July</i>	<i>Summer Term Reports</i>
<i>Mon 18th July</i>	<i>Move up Morning</i>
<i>Fri 22nd July</i>	<i>10:00am – Leavers' Assembly 3:15pm – Leavers' Parade Break up for Summer</i>
<i>Tues 6th Sept</i>	<i>Back to School</i>

Breakfast Club

This is getting increasingly popular. In order to guarantee a place for next half term it is essential that a booking form is returned to school and appropriate payment made via ParentPay.

Best wishes, Mrs S Sharpe

Thames River Challenge

This weekend Ant Cartwright, Giles Hadfield (both parents of TRJS pupils) and three others start their challenge of kayaking The Thames. When we set this challenge our aim was to install defibrillators in John Taylor High School after our lovely Dan collapsed a number of times and it was discovered he and Lydia had a heart condition called Long QT syndrome. It is overwhelming to say we have installed five defibrillators at JTHS, given funds to TRJS for a second, given funds to

TRIS for one and have enough for a Public Access Defibrillator placed within the village area, we are also very, very close to raising enough for another Public Access Defibrillator in the village. If you have contributed to this **THANK YOU SO SO MUCH**, you have helped us achieve more than we could have imagined and made all Barton under Needwood Schools HeartSafe.

Thank you, The Cartwrights xx
www.justgiving.com/defib-iths



Wanted

Skilled Paratedics to care for Teddies at Barton Teddy Rides June 18th & 19th

The Teddies are hoping that some children will volunteer as Paratedics to help with the Trebuchet teddy ride over the weekend of June 18th and 19th. We are hoping to create a team of skilled Paratedics so that the children can have fun caring for the brave teddies but not have too long a duty period. Training will be given!



Each team of Paratedics is led by an older teenager to ensure that the children follow safety rules and keep themselves hydrated. The children will be allocated to one of two slots 1.00pm-3.30pm or 3.30 – 6.00pm on either or both the Saturday and Sunday. If your child would like to help the teddies, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact jill.rogers@uwclub.net or telephone 07840 724 300.