



NEWSLETTER

July 2021

Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another strange school year but, **we made it!!** At this time of year, we have had to say our 'goodbyes' to our Year 6 children who are moving to a range of local secondary schools. We also say a fond farewell to a few staff members, who are moving on to pastures new. Mr Poole is taking on a Year 5 class at a school in Gillingham. Mrs Thompson is taking on the role of SENCO at a school in Rochester. Mrs Tremain is moving to continue her TA role at another Rainham School. We send them all our very best wishes for the future. After 11 years of service, Mrs Inkpen's final day as lollipop lady will be on Thursday 22nd July as she will be devoting more time to her TA role at Thames View. As yet, we have not heard whether Medway Council will be replacing her with a new Crossing Patrol person.

We would like to offer a warm welcome to two new members of staff who will join the Thames View team in September. Miss Bradshaw will be teaching in Year 3 and Miss Nurchis will be leading the Nursery team.

May I wish you a safe and fun-filled Summer Holiday and a safe return to Thames View in September.

Kind Regards
Wendy Riddington

Term Dates— 2021

Staff Development Day : **1st September**

Term 1 Starts : **2nd September**

Staff Development Day : **1st October**

Term 1 Ends : **22nd October**

Staff Development Day : **1st November**

Term 2 Begins : **2nd November**

Term 2 Ends : **17th December**

Please see the school website for the full year Term dates for 2021/2022

Diary Dates for Term 1

2nd—Children return to school

6th— New Reception children begin their induction

6th— Nursery return to their classes

6th—Secondary School admission process opens

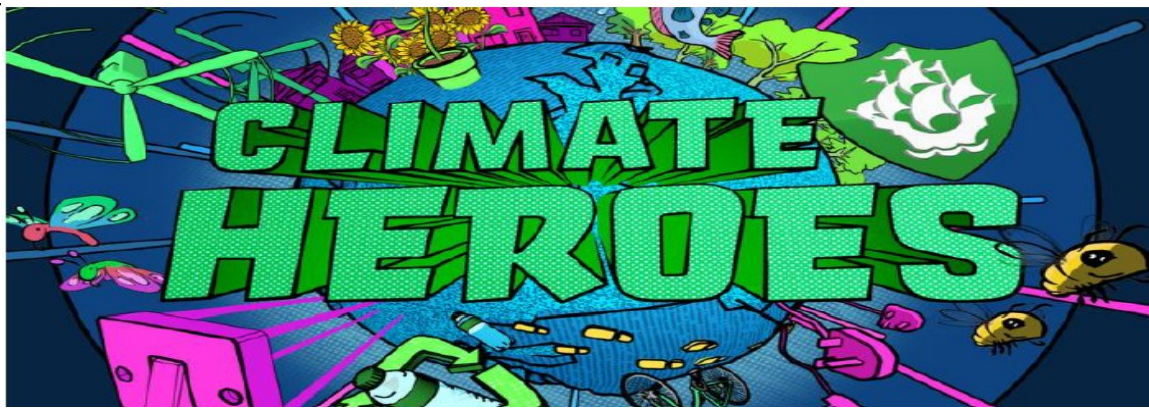
13th & 14th—New Nursery children start

13th—New Reception children start full time

14/15th —Medway Tests

31st October—Secondary School admission closes

2nd November—Individual Photos—Kittle Photography



Liberty Class and Fortune Class recently made a pledge to become Climate Heroes for Blue Peter by agreeing to save energy and protect the environment in a number of different ways. Their reward was a Blue Peter badge for every child and adult in Year 2!!

The badges are now made in a solar-powered factory out of old yoghurt pots!!

‘Rainham in Bloom’

Having been approached by Councillor Martin Potter, our Year 3 classes were selected to take part in a Rainham Welly Garden Project.

Creative Practitioner, Artist and Trustee of Medway City of Culture, Natasha Steer, came into school in June to work with our 61, Year 3 children to decorate wellies and create mini welly gardens. Thirty of these wellies were taken to be displayed at Rainham train station, 31 were used to decorate our Year 3 courtyard area.



Just a reminder or two about PE

We are finding that with the children wearing their PE kits to school on the day they have PE, it is saving so much time for their lesson. It also reduces any contact when changing and the need to have PE bags in school.

PE days are:-

Monday - Year 3

Tuesday - YR and Y5

Wednesday— Y2 and Y6

Thursday - Y1 and Y4



Please remember to remove earrings and tie long hair back on PE day.

School Uniform

During the Summer holidays, many of you will be buying new uniform for your children.

To order from School Trends:

Simply go to the website address, then select 'Find My School' and follow the order instructions:

<https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/ThamesViewPrimarySchoolME87DX>

Please remember to put your children's name into each item, even the initials written in pen would help the clothing make it's way back to your child.

PLEASE NOTE: We do have lots of items of good quality, clean, pre-loved uniform that you can buy for a small donation. There is a rail of uniform in the Office reception.



Have a Rainbow Day!

We heard the wonderful news today, that our NHS Rainbow Day raised the grand total of

**£281.64 -
Well done everyone!**

Parking at Thames View

In the interest of keeping our Thames View children safe, we would like to remind you that there should be no parking in front of the main driveway gates at any time. Please **DO NOT** use this area to drop off your children. There have also been incidents where cars have been parked illegally on double yellow lines near the school.

Medway Council have agreed to erect some bollards along the grass verge to the right of the drive. This should hopefully take place in the Autumn term.



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Please find below, information about services you may require during the Summer Holiday.

- ◆ Gillingham Children and Family hub: 01634 338877
- ◆ Strood Children and Family hub: 01634 335533
- ◆ Chatham Children and Family hub: 01634 338833
- ◆ Wayfield Children and Family hub: 01634 337733



These Children and Family hubs can share information on timetables, including groups that are running for families and support with food bank vouchers.

- ◆ Foodbank - 01634 757057
- ◆ Children's advice and duty line (Single point of access) – 01634 334466 (Monday-Friday 9am-5pm.)
- ◆ Out of hours support – 03000 4191919
- ◆

Mental health support

- ◆ Adults: call the free 24 hour helpline on 0800 783 9111 if you need urgent mental health support, advice and guidance.
- ◆ Or call 0800 107 0160 to speak with someone from the Release the Pressure team if you're feeling stressed. You can also text "Kent" to 85258 for 24 hour mental health crisis support via text from trained volunteers.

Under 18's (Children and Young People Services or Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services) - For residents of Kent and Medway, you can call the 24 hour Single Point of Access on 0800 011 3474 (select option one, then option three)

Youth services groups can be found on this link: <https://www.medway.gov.uk/youth>

- ◆ ChildLine – 0800 1111
- ◆ Choices – Domestic abuse support – 0800 9179948

A good resource for Year 6 as they transfer to Secondary School:

<https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/supporting-childrens-transition-to-secondary-school-guidance-for-parents-and-carers/>

**Wishing you all a lovely
summer break, take care of
yourselves and each other**

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**..... and will welcome you back
for a new term on
Thursday 2nd September 2021**



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on achieving your Eco-Schools Bronze
Award**