



NEWSLETTER

February 2022

Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers

The weather forecast for the Half Term holiday is pretty mixed, but there do seem to be quite a few sunny days expected, so I hope everyone gets a chance to enjoy some of our newfound freedom. The children have been chatting excitedly about plans their families have, so they should all have lots to talk about when they return in Term 4.

It is hard to believe that we are, already, halfway through this school year

We have finally been able to bank the donations we received for Children in Need this year. We raised £459.22, altogether, another great total going to a very deserving Charity. You will note from the Diary Dates below that we will be supporting Comic Relief on the 18th of March, with the children being able to dress in red and donate to the Comic Relief charity at home.

I hope you enjoy your Half Term Holiday and look forward to welcoming you all back on the 21st February.

Kind Regards

Wendy Riddington

Term Dates

Term 3 ends on Friday 11th February

Term 4 begins on Monday 21st February.

Term 4 ends Thursday 31st March

Friday 1st April is a Staff Development Day

Diary Dates for Term 4

24th February—Class Photos—Kittles

3rd March—World Book Day in School

W/C 7th March—Scholastic Book Fair in KS2 Hall

9th March—PTA meeting in KS1 Hall—7PM

18th March—Comic Relief—Wear something red to school and donate at home.

Parents' Evenings—W/C 21st and 28th March - Dates and times to be confirmed.

31st March—Mini Youth Games— Tag Rugby

The Eco Squad has started a new initiative this term to encourage more children to walk to school.

We made two trophies from an old pair of shoes of one of our Eco Squad members. Each day children are asked whether they have walked to school with the winning class for each key stage receiving the trophy for a week. So far in KS2 the trophy has been won twice by Topaz class, once by Opal and and in EYFS/ KS1 the trophy has been won by Sunrise, Elstar and Pippin and Kanzi classes.

We hope you can support your child by walking to school as much as possible so they all get a chance to win!



On Friday 28th January, the whole school spent time outside in our school grounds looking at the birds we have on site to coincide with the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch. We spotted many birds including starlings, blackbirds, carrion crows, gulls and woodpigeons. Our new bird feeders and houses are starting to attract some smaller birds on-site, too.

Our Reception children made a fabulous bar chart showing all the birds they had seen.



Just a few reminders about PE

Could the children avoid wearing hoodies.

Please could long hair be tied back on PE days.



Thank you for the clothing donations already deposited in the metal container outside the main office. This is a permanent fixture so please continue to bring in clothing in a tied plastic bag and place in the container. If this becomes full, please let the office know as we have an overflow bin that can be put in the foyer.

Parking at Thames View

Local residents have contacted us regarding families parking at school drop off and collection times. They have noticed that a number of the cars leave their engines running whilst waiting.

We would like to remind families that we need to all be responsible and take care of those around us.

You will be aware that Thames View have an Eco Squad and the school is working towards becoming an Eco School. One of the topics we have to be consider as part of our application is children travelling to school in an environmentally-friendly manner. We would really appreciate your support in helping the Eco Squad achieve their goal by turning engines off while waiting to collect your children.

Please remember to use the Zebra Crossing—do not cross between cars.



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Thames View Primary School PTA

AGM

Annual General Meeting

Everyone is welcome.
Stay informed and get involved.

Glass of bubbles and nibbles included

KS1 Hall
Wednesday 2nd March - 7pm

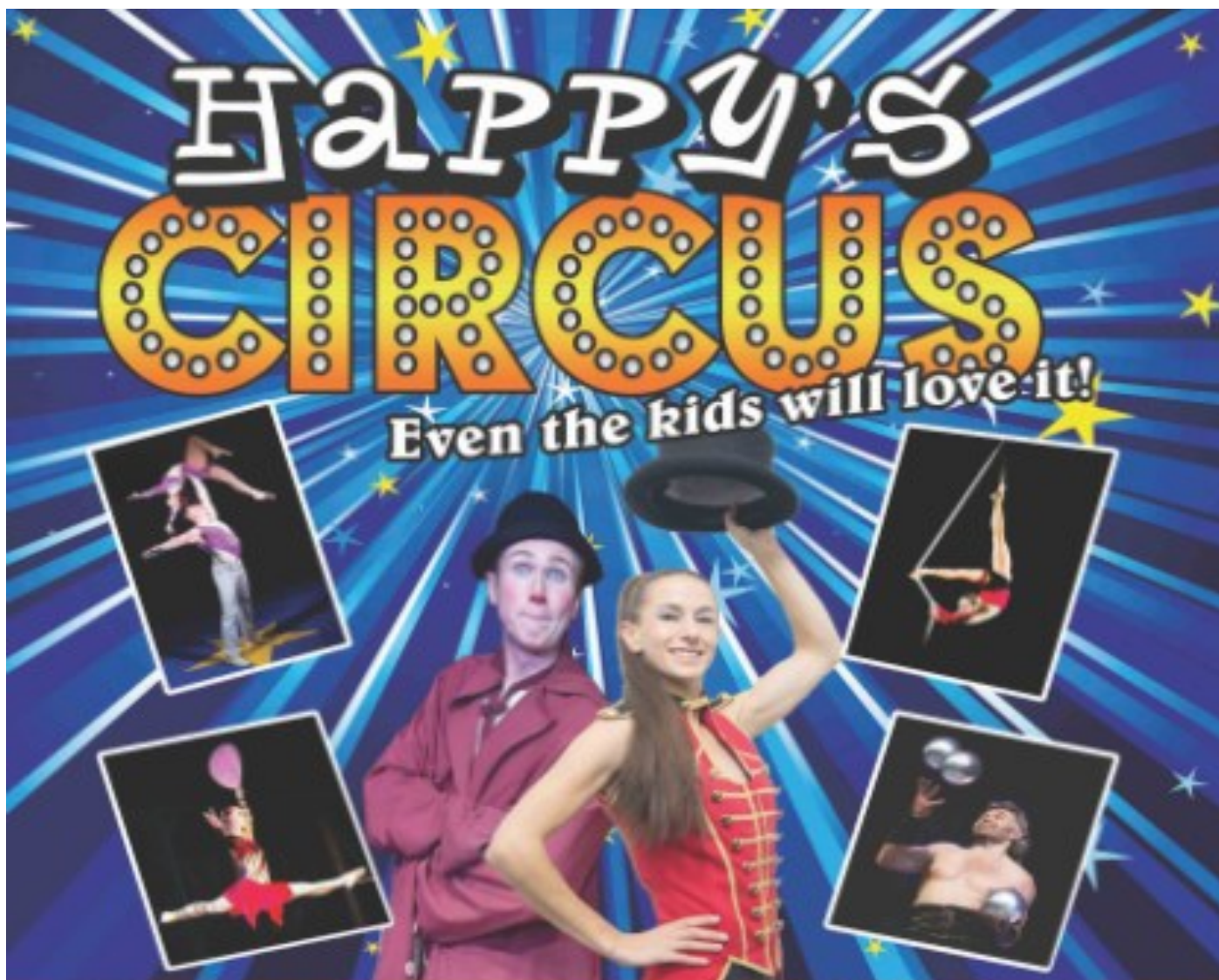


Parentkind
Member Association



The PTA Mothers Day Gift-Shop will also be running Wednesday 23rd March - Friday 25th March.

Further details will be available in due course



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SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday 20th April 2022

4.30pm - 8.30pm (Show begins at 6pm)

Thames View Primary School - Back Field

Ticket Link: <http://buytickets.at/thamesviewpta/359568>

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**Please find below, information about services you may require
during the Half Term 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

Take care of yourselves and each other





Half term Panto

ROBIN HOOD

AND HIS MERRY MEN

written by Matthew Filmore
directed by Adam Waters

Brook Theatre, Chatham
16th-19th February 2022

Tickets £12.50
 Concessions £11, Family Ticket £44*
 Book online:
www.medwayticketslive.co.uk
 Box office: 01634 338338

Performances:
 Weds 16th - 7pm
 Thurs 17th - 2pm & 7pm
 Fri 18th - 2pm & 7pm
 Sat 19th - 2pm & 7pm

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6pm, 7th March 2022

Send us an email to sign up
and why not bring your friends along too!

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