

THORNGROVE NEWSLETTER

9th September 2011

I do hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday. Although the summer seems to have deserted us entirely, all the children bounced happily into school looking fresh faced and eager. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our **new children** to Thorngrove:

Charles Addison, Mia de Marco, Liam Engall, Milo Garrety, Charlie Gill, Samuel Heneghan, Harry Heneghan, Olivia McBeth, Tom McCarthy, Freddy Neill, Samuel Talent, Jemma Whittaker, Kitty Woolley, Evan McMullon, Sep Ouwehand, Bailey Quaintance, William Redhouse, Archie Thomas, Theodore Wood, Henry Garrety, Baturalp Gunen, Elliott Taylor, Jeremy Aldred, Anthony Alemany, Lucy Horlock, Alexander Kerr, Ciara Moseley, Amy Russell, Juultje Ouwehand, Cosima Williams, Poppy Blossie-Lynch, Fergus Burt, Matthew Hull, Sam Lefever, Lucy Childs, Louis Dodridge, Lieuwe Ouwehand, Tom Pettit, Ciara Moxham, Joe Childs, Esme White.

I know that they will all settle and make friends very quickly.

The big news is that we will be opening a **new NURSERY in April 2012**. The nursery will be located in the main building next to our current Form 1. We will be taking registrations immediately and children must be at least two and a half years old (and dry!). I am sure that there will be plenty of interest and please spread this exciting news to friends and family. My own son, Theo, will be one of the first to sign up! If interested contact Mary or Bev in the office.

Please ensure that you **don't drop off your child before 8.15am**. Teachers will be busy preparing for the day ahead and will be unable to look after early arrivals. Breakfast club operates every day from 7.30am and this allows parents to drop off a little earlier if necessary. Please make sure that you sign them in with Mr Mes. He will supervise them and then dismiss them at 8.15am.

I would like to remind you about **parking**. Please do not park at the front of the school by the large planters or in the visitor bays. This will allow for free flow between the top and bottom car parks. In addition to this please keep to the speed limit-5mph.

Please phone or email the office by 9am if your child is ill.

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All **clubs** will start from Monday and a list of the various clubs is in the school diary. Please see the form teacher if your child is unsure about a particular club.

The FOT have arranged for a charity to collect any **old clothes** from the school on Monday 28th September. If you have any clothes that you don't want anymore please bring them into school on that day. I will give you more information in my next newsletter. Just to remind you all that the FOT's AGM is on 26th September in the Old Hall at 7pm.

I do hope that the '**Welcome Evenings**' for each section were useful this week. It was lovely to see so many parents and chat about the term ahead.

Over the holidays a new loo facility was installed in the main building for the boys. It is rather colourful and already a hit with the children. Also the adventure play area is now complete and operational. The monkey bars are proving to be very popular!

Our **Open Morning is on Friday 14th October** between 9-11am. Please spread the news and ask friends and family to book a place with Mary or Bev in the office.

Finally, I am delighted to announce that I have appointed Oscar Saint as Head Boy and Millie Marbus as Head Girl. I am sure that they will be excellent role models. Their first duty is to represent the school at Naomi House's Open Day. The FOT donated £1000 to this worthy local hospice last term.

With kind regards,

Adam King
(Headmaster)