



May 2021

The Thurleigh Times

Hello everyone. Here we are in May and so far it hasn't been terribly warm, but all the classes have been able to use the field a bit more than last month, which is always a good sign that summer is on the way. We have some interesting items of news for you, so please read on to find out what has been happening. Kathy Augustine

Communication

The **Class Blogs** are now up and running. You can find these on the News and Events tab on the school website www.thurleighprimary.uk

On the **News and Events** tab you will also be able to find the school **Calendar**, **Latest News**, **Newsletters**, **Term Dates** and the **Gallery** page which shows you photos of events your children have been taking part in.



Covid19 Update

We had been hoping that from Monday 17th May we would be able to relax a little with our precautions regarding Covid19 in school, i.e. that teaching staff would now be able to stop wearing face coverings/masks within the classroom.

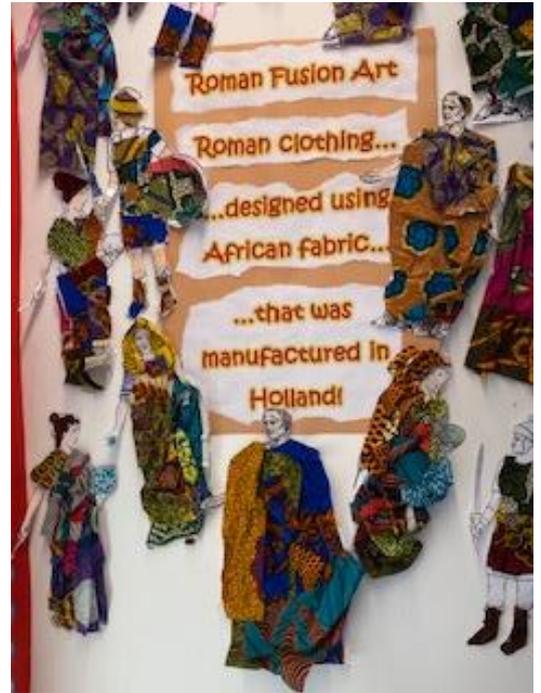
Unfortunately, we have been informed by Bedford Borough and local Public Health that cases of Covid have been rising within Bedfordshire. Therefore, they have advised Bedford Borough schools to continue with ALL precautionary measures already in place to help reduce transmission.

Yinka Shonibare Artwork

You may remember that Chestnut Class were in contact with British-Nigerian artist Yinka Shonibare, whose art gallery sent the children some beautiful African fabrics from his own collection.

The children have created some beautiful fabric/wire sculptures. They have also used the fabrics for some 'Fusion' art linked in to their current Romans topic, which is currently displayed in Chestnut Class. You can also view this art work in the Gallery section of the website.

Photographs of the children's work was emailed to Yinka's art gallery and the children were thrilled to hear that the gallery sent a very complimentary reply.



Break the Rules Day- Friends of Thurleigh

Friday 28th May

There are 6 Rules you can break -50p fine each:

1. Wear your own clothes.
2. Have a Crazy Hairstyle
3. Bring an Unhealthy snack for break-time
4. Wear Temporary Tattoos
5. Wear Nail varnish
6. Have squash in your water bottle



TTRockstars Battles

The TTRockstars Battles are proving to be very popular with the majority of children taking part, which has been very pleasing. The feedback from the children has been that they have particularly enjoyed the Inter School Battles.

Each week the winners will be announced in [Mrs Augustine's Blog](#) on the school website.



Please note:
Monday 7th June 2021
will be a training day.



Possible Date for Sports Day

As you will be able to appreciate, we cannot say for definite if we will be able to hold our traditional type of Sports Day where we invite parents, carers, friends and relatives. However, we did want you to be able to pencil a date in to your diaries, just in case we are able to go ahead. The prospective date will be:

Friday 9th July 2021

Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Friday 28 th May	Break the Rules Day Break up for half term
Monday 7 th June	INSET day – training day for school staff
Tuesday 8 th June	Children return today
Tuesday 6 th July & Wednesday 7 th July	Y6 Sharnbrook Induction Days (we don't know for definite if these will happen yet)
Friday 9 th July	Possible date for Sports Day
Thursday 22 nd July	Break up for the summer holidays

Safeguarding Reminders

At Thurleigh Primary we take safeguarding very seriously, so to ensure the safety of every child in our care, we would like to remind you of the following:

- Please notify the school on 01234 771252 by 9.30am if your child will not be in.
- If you are not going to be the person picking up your child from school please remember to let us know in advance.
- Please remember to leave the yellow zig-zag lines at the front of the school clear at all times and avoid parking outside the school to avoid congestion.

If you see or hear anything that concerns you whilst at school please talk to the class teachers or contact the Designated Safeguarding Leads. Designated Safeguarding Leads for the Kymbrook and Thurleigh Federation - Mrs Kathy Augustine, Mr George Cole and Mrs Rachel Smith (based at Kymbrook site).

Remember that safeguarding is everyone's business.