

Tetherdown News!

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Dear Parents and Carers

First of all I should take this opportunity to welcome you back and wish you all a Happy New Year. Apologies that this Newsletter did not get published at the end of last term, but we had a serious bout of sickness amongst the staff including the Senior Leadership Team. Please find highlights of news from the end of last term but more importantly, updates and reminders for this current term.

On Monday 11th December we had our super PSA Winter Fair – a very busy, jolly event with many of our families attending. We really do appreciate your support and thank you for joining us. Alister McDonough, Chair of the PSA, informs me that this event raised just over £6,000 – despite the Fair's reduction in size and activities as a direct result of the snowy weather. Many thanks to all the PSA Committee and helpers who did a fantastic job this year! Thank you.

Our Tetherdown Orchestra performed four pieces in front of the whole school. If your child is learning to play an orchestral instrument we would really love them to join and have fun. It's a great way to develop musical skills, as well as collaboration, listening and following a conductor. Please contact the school office to add your child to the register. [Click here](#) for details and timings.

Many thanks to parents and carers for your help at the Christmas parties; the children really enjoyed themselves and had an amazing time, despite the fact that some teachers have been very unwell. Your enthusiasm has really helped – especially with the home made games and special Christmas themed goodies!

Topic letters are available on the school website (in classrooms). [Click here](#) for the link.

I look forward to seeing you all over the coming weeks.

Tony Woodward
Headteacher

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On line E safety Workshops for children and parents.

Need some help to keep your child safe on-line?

Tuesday 23rd January 7.00pm-8.00pm (Music Room)

We all know that kids love technology as it opens up a world of opportunities and excitement. Our digital world is ever changing and there are constantly new programmes, applications and other devices available to our children. Many of these programmes and applications are complementary to our children's learning, however, many come with risks and it is essential that both the children and ourselves have a full understanding of exactly what the risks entail.

Parent's workshop – Tuesday 23rd January 7.00pm - 8.00pm

Nicole Williamson, www.ecplimited.com will help guide you through the different ways of communication. This inspirational and up-to-the-minute session is a 'must' for all those who are concerned about the safety of their children when using technology.

This dynamic, high quality presentation enables parents to understand the wide array of applications and websites out there today, particularly those that target young people. It focuses on relevant issues for children today, including: current trends, social networking sites, friendships online, how sexual predators engage children online, posting and sending images/pictures online, dangerous websites, support and tips for parents in making things safer at home and working in partnership with the school in regards to e-safety. This presentation comes highly recommended and we thoroughly advise you to put the date in your diary and attend where possible.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Online E-Safety Meeting for Parents, as the purpose is to make sure that our children have access to the endless information and fun the internet provides, whilst keeping them safe. For those who attended last year, we would still recommend you come as technology is ever changing.

Please click the doodle link if you would like to attend. <https://doodle.com/poll/dz6zuhhf3gem9g82>

Unable to make the meeting?

Please refer to our E-safety page on the school website www.tetherdownschool.org which will link you to the relevant information.

Thank you for your support.

Annie Ashraf (Assistant Head)

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Well done to all our superb Reception children who performed in their Christmas Show. Everyone gave their best with amazing costumes, fantastic singing and lovely clear voices. Thank you to all the families for their support in preparing for this show – very much appreciated.

Lots of children enjoyed coming in to school wearing their Christmas jumpers. If you didn't make a £1.00 donation, please bring this in to the school office. All funds raised will go to Children in Need.

Christmas Lunch was beautifully prepared by Millie and her team of cooks. A big thank you to them for all their hard work. And thanks also to the PSA who provided Christmas Crackers for the children. We all had a great time!

SEN SPOT:

FREE EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST sessions at Markfield: January - March 2018 -

Markfield will continue hosting educational psychologist's consultation sessions next term on below dates:

Wednesday 10th January}
Wednesday 24th January} All 10:00 - 12:00
Wednesday 7th March }

Please contact me, Satoko Fujishiro, to book an appointment.

Satoko Fujishiro
Family Support Administrator

My working hours are;
Wednesday 9:00 - 13:30
Thursday 13:00 - 16:00

Please be aware that I may not be able to respond to emails or messages on the same day

T: 020 3667 5233

F: 020 8802 2111

E: familyadmin@markfield.org.uk

<http://www.markfield.org.uk/>

The Markfield Project

Markfield Road

N15 4RB

Follow us on twitter! [@MarkfieldProji](https://twitter.com/MarkfieldProji)

Need help applying for a school place for your child?

Haringey Family Ambitions – schools navigator service for parents

We can help you with:

- Finding out information about local schools
- Making an application for a school place
- Advice about appealing if your child is refused a place at the school you want
- Information about schools and provision if your child has Special Educational Needs
- Support and advice if your child is excluded from school

Come and speak to an independent parent advisor at one of our drop-in surgeries

Thursdays, 4pm to 6pm Wood Green Library, High Rd, N22 6XD And the last Saturday of every month 11am to 1pm	Tuesdays, 3pm to 5pm Coombe Croft Library, Tottenham High Road, N17 6AD	Wednesdays, 4pm to 6pm CARIS Haringey, St Ann's Church Hall, Avenue Road N15 5JH	Thursdays, 2pm to 4pm Markfield, Markfield Park, Markfield Rd, N15 4RB
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Telephone us on 020 8800 5395 or 020 3667 5243

020 3667 5243 for specialist advice about Special Educational Needs & school exclusions

Our service can advise parents & carers about admissions to Haringey Primary schools, Secondary schools, Special schools, and Post-16 (6th form) schools and colleges.

The Haringey Family Ambitions Service is provided by two independent local charities: CARIS Haringey and Markfield. This service is funded by Haringey Council.

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COMMUNITY AND SPORTING NEWS – (autumn term)

We have enjoyed a fantastic autumn term of sport with the school competing in a wide range of different events and clubs across the Year Groups.

The first Haringey events of the autumn term were the Boys and Girls Football Competitions held at St. Thomas More Secondary School, which was very well attended by schools across the Borough. The children gave their very best in every fixture with some fantastic displays from all of the children, but unfortunately we did not qualify on the day despite some very close and exciting matches!



Tetherdown then competed at the Haringey Cross Country Championships, which, much like the school cross country club, was very well attended by Tetherdown children in fairly muddy and tricky conditions with some great running. Many children finished very well in the placing's to put Tetherdown in the top 4 as an overall team in both the Boys' and Girls' races.

Our next event was the Netball Tournament at Highgate School where the team competed very well - winning 6 matches and losing 2, missing out on the semi-finals by 1 point!

The final event of the term for Tetherdown was the Haringey Tag Rugby Tournament with a huge turn out from schools across the Borough. Again, some excellent play and great teamwork from all involved and some great tries scored, but the team just fell short overall in their group. Well done!

As well as all this, children in Year 2 and Year 5 have practiced, competed or performed amazingly within their dance topics, with Year 5s topic "Swing Dance" culminating in a 'Strictly Come Dancing' style competition. Year 2 children performed their Mexican hat dance during their Mexico Day.

It has been a great sporting term overall with fantastic effort and attitude across all sports fixtures and clubs. I would like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have been able to help in various ways across these events and clubs, we really appreciate your continued support. We look forward to another successful term in 2018.

Mr. Reynolds
Higher Level Teaching Assistant for Sport

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

JUNIOR School Meals for Spring Term 2018

Spring 1
Thursday 4th January 2018 to
Friday 9th February 2018 - £70.20

Spring 2
Monday 19th February 2018 to
Thursday 29th March 2018 - £75.40
Whole term - £145.60

Cake Sale Dates for 2018

Year 2, 3 and 4 on Friday 2nd February
Year 5 and 6 on Friday 8th June

Held on the junior playground at 3.30

A letter was recently sent out asking families to identify languages spoken within the home. Please return to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you

"Coughs and sneezes spread diseases!"

As we are in the throes of winter and managing illnesses, any kind donations of boxes of tissues will be very much appreciated -

Please send in via your child's class teacher
Thank you.

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FAVOURITES
DAY

Thursday 18th January

**Sausages with Mashed Potato & Onion Gravy
in a Yorkshire Pudding**

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in a Yorkshire Pudding V**

Broccoli & Cabbage V

Pasta with Tomato & Basil Sauce & Grated Cheese V

Lemon Cake with Custard V

Fresh Fruit Platter, Strawberry Mousse V

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Winter Fair

I would like to thank all the PSA for their hard work this year. In relation to the Fair I would like to thank the following children: Jessica and Nila who devised a game called snowman's sneaky challenge for the Xmas fair. They were helped to run it on the night by their year 5 Komodos friends Daria, Rosie Cheng, Eliza and Amelia.

There were several winners for the game and one was Mr Evans who kindly offered to allow the girls to keep his prize on the stand until the end of the fair.

Eli in year 6 Phoenix along with his brother who left in the summer Oliver, set up and ran the Xmas shoot out game for the evening. They were helped for a time by Marco and William in year 6 Phoenix.

Both stalls raised a combined sum of approximately over £300.

Well done children and thank you for your hard work and support.

The PSA

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Breakfast Club

Tetherdown After School Club

Breakfast club Co-ordinator: Dianne Geen-Moore

Monday – Friday 07:40-08:50

Phone: 07580 576 147 or

Email: breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org

for more information.

ASC Manager: Glen Billey (contact weekdays after 2.00pm)

Monday – Friday 15:30-18:00

Phone: 07580 576 147 or

Email: afterschoolclub@tetherdownschool.org

Our staff team for 2017-18 consists of:

Glen Billey, Nadine McBean, Tanya Fenton, Althea Skeete and Lara Davies.

If you have any concerns with payments of either club please contact the Diane Geen-Moore on breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org

Click [here](#) for a list of the Lunchtime and Afterschool Clubs taking place at Tetherdown

Italian club at Tetherdown – seeking interested participants!

We are a group of parents from Year 1 Dragonflies who are seeking to set up an extra-curricular Italian language class for Tetherdown pupils – either after school at 3.30 pm or lunchtime between 12.00 - 12.30pm for infants / 12.30–1.00 pm for juniors. We have found a very reputable Italian language school, COASIT (they provide language courses on behalf of the Italian Consulate) which would be willing to organise classes at Tetherdown, but there is a small issue – they need at least 12 children to start a class. So we are wondering if other parents may be interested in their child taking an Italian language class? If so, please email Federica on fede.colley@gmail.com with your child's name, age, class, level of Italian (beginner, intermediate), and possibly any preferences in terms of day and time of the week. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Claudia, Cornelia, Evva and Federica