



Welcome Back!

We hope that you had a wonderful Easter break, we are looking forward to having the children back and we have been impressed with our school attendance this week.....between 94%-96%! As we enter the Summer term we are hoping to take advantage of the brighter weather and make sure that we are taking part in as many outdoor activities as possible as we know the importance of this for our wellbeing and mental health. We know that we are all enjoying the lighter evenings and making the most of spending time outside with our families. Please remember to follow the COVID guidance to help keep everyone in our school community safe. Have a lovely weekend!

Earth Day

April 20th to the 22nd is Earth Day 2021. The aim of this is to raise environmental awareness. Here are some ideas of the things that you can do to support this next week!

- Try walking or cycling to avoid using your car
- Try to recycle your rubbish
- Help to do a beach clean-up
- Make sure you turn off taps!



Weekly Challenge!

You can send in any answers to our weekly challenges to us by emailing children@thorpedene.southend.sch.uk



WOW!
word of the week

Exquisite
Meaning: extremely beautiful and delicate

Example: The bouquet of flowers the lady received for her birthday were exquisite.

SYNONYMS: superb, lovely, graceful, elegant
ANTONYMS: ugly, careless, inelegant, unrefined

CHALLENGE: Can you use this word in a sentence this week? Or in your writing? Have a go!

Special Educational Needs (SEND)

Don't forget to visit our school website www.thorpedene.southend.sch.uk to find out more about how we support our pupils with SEND across the school. There are links to additional information, support for parents working at home and all of our policies are available on this website.

PE Kits

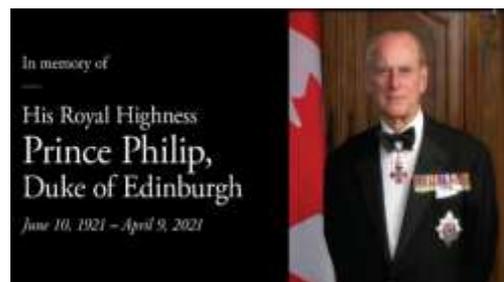
From next week, children will no longer be coming to school in their PE kits and should bring them to school to change into when they have a PE lesson. Please can you ensure that you child has a PE kit in school.



HRH Prince Philip

We were very saddened to hear the news of HRH Prince Philip. He was a highly respected figure and will be greatly missed. To pay our respects to HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, we have lowered our school flag flying it at half-mast this week.

We know that you and your families will join us as we send our condolences to Her Majesty the Queen and the whole of the royal family.



Final thought for the week...“If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours.” Dolly Parton