



Thomas Eaton Primary Academy

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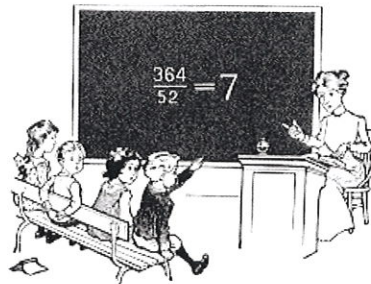
Dear Parents and Carers

Today in Kahlo class is rather different! The pupils are dressed in drab clothing and using slates and quills to complete their writing exercises. The classroom walls are bare and the teacher is quite monotonous in his tone as he wields his cane!

The pupils in Kahlo class are experiencing schooling during the Victorian times as part of their Topic this term. They have drawn similarity in that they are currently seated in rows facing the teacher, however, this is where the similarities end.

Our children are fortunate to have the luxury of writing in pencil, pen, and chalk, on a laptop or an iPad. Their classroom walls are bright and colourful with supportive prompts and the teacher uses multitudinous resources to bring her teaching to life; the interactive whiteboard showing video clips, the visualizer under which she places a child's superb writing in order that his/her peers can see the expectations, concrete apparatus to help the children understand difficult mathematical concepts.

Our children learn through play, through discussion, through collaboration and through having fun and despite the current restrictions our children are thriving. They continue to make fantastic progress and we are proud of each and every one of them in the resilience that they have shown!



Parental Survey

Many thanks to those of you who completed your parental survey. We are very pleased to report that 98.5% of the responses were strongly agree and agree to the statements. We recognize that there is always room for improvement and will try over the next few months to address the concerns raised;

- The school sets appropriate home learning
- The school should consider the environmental impact of its use of paper
- The school needs to consider the various channels it uses to communicate with parents/carers.

Relations and Sex Education

We are updating our School policy in line with the new statutory requirements and would very much like to understand your thoughts and views. We attach a quick questionnaire which we will use to formulate our policy and thank you in advance for your support.

Free School Meals

In order to check if your child is eligible for a free school dinner and to register please check at

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Face coverings



Thank you for your support in wearing face coverings around the school.

Christmas Hampers

Thank you to those of you who have already generously donated items into the KS1 and KS2 Hamper collection boxes. These collection boxes will be outside before and after school if you are able to donate new Christmas items. Many thanks



Secret Santa Shop

The deadline for returning your slips is now Friday 20th November.

Please remember to deliver your return slips TODAY!