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Hello everyone,

1. We are refining our plans for September as we go along and I'll send you a draft in my email on Tuesday 14th.
2. You might be interested to know which teachers are leaving Tallis this term: *Mr Tomlin, Ms Tomlinson, Ms Bijmens, Ms Flis, Ms Turner (Maths), Mr Heppell, Mr Davies, Ms Turner (History), and Mr Waine*. I'll say more in the Newsletter!
3. From our irrepressible PTFA! WOW... Thank you so much to all those who responded to our TECH for TALLIS message this week. We had a whopping £2,500 donated in just 2 days last week bring the total to just over £4,200 which is 85% of the £5K target. The reality of everyone's generosity means that an order for between 20-30 laptops should be arriving next week! Special thanks go to everyone in IT especially Mr Lamer & Mr Singh and Mr Williams and the PTFA for helping coordinate things so speedily!
 - a. THE PTFA have many other projects in the pipeline that they are assisting us with such as the Community Garden project which was initiated last year and other wish list items that arose from last year's sustainability and environment get together, so your donations are needed now more than ever to help us realise ongoing projects and to replenish funds. To donate (and gift aid it) head over to: https://www.gofundme.com/f/6xrzc-TECH-for-TALLIS?utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=p_na+hare-sheet&rcid=066084a284334a209cfe1be1f4ce14b2
 - b. Second hand school uniform
Thank you for all the Uniform donations received last week. We really appreciate how everyone observed the 60 degree washing guidelines and really appreciated the time taken by everyone to bag up and label everything making our job of stock taking so much easier! The donations have been counted, sorted and orders are being bagged up and collected this week.

Please head over to: <https://www.thomastallischool.com/ptfa.html> for a list of whats available and more info on both schemes

4. Here is a message from our Attendance Officer (our RBG one) about travelling abroad.
 - a. If you are travelling *before the end of term*, we need the following information. Please send it to vcummins@thomastallis.org.uk as a school holiday request as usual.
 - i. Your travel dates
 - ii. Copies of documents and a return date
 - iii. an address of where you are staying
 - b. All children must be back at school in September: y 7 and 12 on Friday 4th, all others from Monday 7th September.
5. We were contacted by *Empowerment through Education*, who offer free online tutoring for Black students. Some parents might be interested in this? <https://sites.google.com/view/etedu/home>
6. South Row road closure: please have your say. Most students at Tallis walk or cycle to school. Lewisham Council have recently installed a 'modal filter' on South Row, near the Paragon Buildings on the Heath towards the Princess of Wales. It allows bicycles and pedestrians through but stops motor vehicles. Hence the road can no longer be used as a 'rat run' route from the A2 to Lewisham via Blackheath during rush hour. The filter is meant to encourage people to walk or cycle to Blackheath from Kidbrooke instead. It may well have made the walking or cycling route to Tallis safer for children who come to school that way, through Kidbrooke Gardens and onto Kidbrooke Park Road. Of course, you may disagree with the installation of the filter. The consultation closes next week. If you want to have your say, you must do so quickly. Why not say what you think now? <https://lewishamcovidresidentialstreets.commonplace.is/schemes/proposals/south-row/details>

I'm sure I've forgotten something, but Friday is running out on me. More next week!

Thank you,

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