



The Thornton Times

Spring Term 1

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Hello everyone,

Thank you to all our parents who were able to attend information sessions and workshops this week on a range of subjects from times tables in Y4 to PSHE choices in Years 5 and 6. We really value your support and welcome all the feedback you give us.

Don't forget we have our next parents' evening session next week on **Wednesday 29th January** for parents of children who have siblings in the school. The following **Wednesday 5th February** is for parents of children with no siblings in school. Appointments can be booked online in the usual way.

I am so pleased to hear that there has been an excited buzz in every classroom this week as a few children have been discovering that their teacher has posted a postcard to them at home! Teachers are also excited about recognising those amazing children who are going 'above and beyond' with their effort to learn. Keep up the hard work children, and watch out for any mail that may come addressed to you!

Have a great weekend everyone, and wrap up warm.

Cathy Grace – Deputy Headteacher

Welcome to our new Learning Resources Manager

My name is Mrs Quinn and I am thrilled to be joining Thornton Primary School as the Learning Resources Manager. I will be working with the children and staff to run the school library and helping children to develop their love of reading and enjoyment of books. The school library is already a welcoming environment for children who are looking for a place to read and enjoy both fiction and non-fiction books and there are lots of titles covering a range of interests and reading abilities. But I welcome any suggestions about how we can improve the library for all readers.

So please come along, say hello, choose a book, and let me know your thoughts and ideas about how you would like to develop the library at Thornton Primary School.



Year 6 Jewish Assembly

After lots of hard work, Year Six performed their Jewish Assembly this week. The children showed a wide range of creative talents: art, singing, dancing, acting, research and even cooking to build up a stunning performance. The show explored several Jewish festivals and looked at some similarities between the children's experiences of Islam and how Jewish people live. We found out how interesting it can be to explore different people's cultures and how much we all have in common. A huge well done to everyone who was involved.



The school newsletter for children, parents and carers of Thornton Primary School.



Head lice Reminder



Can we please remind parents /caregivers to tie back long or loose flowing hair, ideally in a plait or bun. It is best practice to check your child's hair at least weekly, the ideal time to do this is after the hair has been washed but before you remove the conditioner. Using a close toothed plastic comb or 'detection' comb insert the comb at the roots and pass down full length of the hair section by section. Remember if head lice are found all the family will need to be treated and retreated every 3 days for 2 weeks. Further information can be found online or by requesting a fact sheet from the school nurse.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Golden Ticket Attendance — Bronze Award

A huge congratulations to the 373 pupils who have achieved the **Bronze Golden Ticket** attendance initiative. All the children have achieved the school attendance target of 97% and above for the autumn term. This is a fantastic achievement! The children received a special invitation to watch 'The Wizard Of Oz' pantomime on Monday. All the children and the staff thoroughly enjoyed the show.

Feedback from our Head Girl, Bisma

"What I really enjoyed about the pantomime was that it was really funny and it was also a very warm-hearted play"



Golden Ticket Spring Term— Silver Award



Pupils need to achieve 98% or above attendance to qualify for the Golden Ticket Spring Term —**Silver Award**. Mrs Simmons and Mrs Grace are currently organising the Spring Term Award. Look out for more information at the end of Spring Term 2.

GOOD LUCK EVERYONE!!!!

Dates for your diary

Year 5 Stratford-Upon-Avon Trip —
Monday 27th January

Year 4 Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery trip —**Tuesday 28th January**
Tawny Owl 4, Great Horned Owl 4 & Snowy Owl 4

Year 4 Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery trip—**Wednesday 29th January**
Eagle Owl 4 & Barn Owl 4

Sibling Parents' Evening —**Wednesday 29th January 3.45pm—5.30pm**

Non Sibling Parents' Evening —
Wednesday 5th February 3.45pm — 5.30pm

Year 3 Roman Museum — **Friday 14th February 9am until 9.45am**

Year 4 Egyptian Museum — **Friday 14th February 9am until 9.45am**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Class Attendance

Well done to the following classes who achieved 97% and above attendance last week.

Year 3 — Snowy Owl 3, Tawny Owl 3, Eagle Owl 3 Great Horned Owl 3 and Barn Owl 3

Wow well done Year 3!



Year 4 — Barn owl 4, Eagle Owl 4 and Tawny Owl 4

Year 5—Snowy Owl 5, Great Horned owl 5 and Barn Owl 5,

Year 6 — Snowy Owl 6 & Barn Owl 6

