



The Thornton Times

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

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Friday 4th October 2019

Hello everyone!

Next Thursday I will be holding my first Headteacher's Coffee morning of the school year. The coffee morning will be held on **THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER AT 9.00 AM** either in the Conference Room or the school hall, depending on numbers. I hope as many of you as possible will be able to join me and get to know me a little bit better.



At the coffee morning I would like to get your views on the issues that you feel are important for us to include as part of our Behaviour review which we will be starting shortly, and also for me to share some information about how we will be conducting the review. It will be a great chance to talk about this important issue and how we can work together to ensure that the behaviour of children at Thornton is exemplary.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Sue Simmons, Headteacher.



Year 6 Cannock Chase Trip

This week year 6 visited The Museum of Cannock Chase. They spent the day learning all about life during WWII. The children experienced what it was like to be an evacuee who had to leave home to stay safe during the war. The children had the opportunity to dress up and wear gas masks to practice the drill for a blackout where the children heard a warning siren and had to run and find shelter to protect themselves from the bombing. It was a fun yet educational day!



MoneySense Workshop

Year 3 and 4 took part in MoneySense workshops in co-operation with Natwest Bank. The bank employees volunteered to help teachers run the workshops to help children understand what the responsibilities are for these employees within the bank. The workshops provided opportunities for the students to experience real-life experiences involving money and using their mathematical knowledge to budget for a party. Year 5 and 6 will also take part in workshops in the coming weeks.



Parent Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all the parents who came to our Macmillan Cancer coffee morning and donated money for charity. We have raised **£85.76**.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Last day of Autumn Term 1 — **Friday 25th October**
Teachers Training Day—**Monday 4th November**
(school closed to pupils)
School Re-opens to pupils — **Tuesday 5th November**

Class Attendance

Well done to **Eagle Owl 3 and Snowy Owl 5** who achieved 100% attendance last week.

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

Year 3— Barn Owl 3

Year 4— Snowy Owl 4, Tawny Owl 4, Eagle Owl 4

Year 5— Eagle Owl 5, Barn Owl 5, Great Horned Owl 5

Year 6— Tawny Owl 6 , Eagle Owl 6, Great Horned Owl 6, Barn Owl 6



Year 6 Residential Trip



The year 6 children have a fantastic opportunity to take part in a 2 night residential trip to Acorn Adventure at the West Midlands Safari Park. The trip will take place from **Monday 29th June to Wednesday 1st July**. The residential will cost **£172.00** and a deposit of **£10.00** is required by Thursday 24th October to secure your child's place. The places are going fast!

Contact Forms

Please ensure you have returned your child's contact form to the school office . It is very important that we have up to date contact details for the parents for safeguarding purposes.. Also school requires at least 2 other contact numbers who we can contact during an emergency if we can not get hold of the parents.



World Mental Health Day

Next Thursday 10th October is World Mental Health Day and at Thornton we will be talking about good mental health in an assembly with the children and also doing an activity to help children understand the importance of good mental health.

The crisis in children and young people's mental health is real and it is urgent. More children and young people than ever before are reaching out for help with their mental health. But for those who take that brave step, help is much too hard to find.

Mrs Simmons is a qualified Mental Health First Aider and many of our Inclusion and Pastoral Team have recently completed training in supporting children's mental health. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you think your child would benefit from additional help with their wellbeing.



Tuck Shop

Please do not give your child more than **£1.00** per day for the tuck shop. The children are able to purchase a variety of snacks with **£1.00** per day.