



The Thornton Times

Spring Term 1

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Friday 15th February 2019

Hello everyone,

I am sure you are looking forward to the half term break, especially as the weather forecast is good for the next few days. I hope you have a restful and enjoyable break and look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Monday 25th February at 8.45am.

Please read the newsletter carefully, particularly the Safeguarding Alerts, as we have had some concerns this term that children and adults are failing to take safety seriously. You can help us to develop good Safeguarding habits for everyone in school.

Sue Simmons, Headteacher.



Safeguarding Alerts

You can help us to keep your children safe by following these simple rules of Safeguarding:

- Never leave your child alone on any of the school's playgrounds in the morning before 8.45am. Your child could easily leave the school premises without our knowledge as our playgrounds are so busy. If you need to leave your child early please bring them to reception and they can go to breakfast club until the start of school.
- ALWAYS let us know first thing in the morning if your child is going to be absent from school. Our office is open from 8.00am. Today we had 42 children absent and 11 parents did not contact us—it took until nearly 10 o'clock for us to get in touch with parents to check if the children were safe.
- Please do not encourage your child to come and speak to you when they are out on the St Agatha's Road playground—lunchtime supervisors have been advised to report any parents trying to speak to their child. It develops bad habits and encourages children to speak to strangers outside the school gates.

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



VACANCY—School Crossings Patrol Warden needed locally

£17,007 - £19,446 (Part time Pro Rata) 8 hrs per week -Washwood Heath Road @ Thornton Road

You will assist at places where children/adults cross roads on their way to and from school (or on their way from one part of a school to another) during the prescribed hours, ensuring their safe passage, and will also be responsible for reporting any problems encountered to supervisors.

- * You will need to be caring, reliable and must have good verbal communication skills to enable you to communicate effectively with a range of people in differing situations.
- * You will need to be available term time mornings and afternoons during the school run.
- * All leave must be taken in school holidays.
- * Successful applicants will be provided with a uniform and training.
- * A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check will be undertaken.

Application Forms can be completed online: www.birmingham.gov.uk/jobs

Any Questions call School Crossings on 0121 303 7777 or

email: schoolcrossings@birmingham.gov.uk



Book Week

Book Week 2019 at Thornton is from

Monday 4th - Friday 8th March

"Words to lift you up and carry you away!"

Dress up day is on Friday 8th March get
planning your costume!

Who will you be dressing up as? Prizes
for the most creative costumes and the
best writing to explain why you
chose your character.



Best Class Attendance Award

Well done to the pupils in Tawny Owl 5 who
have won the Best Class Attendance Award for
Spring Term 1. Class Tawny Owl 5 achieved
98.9% class attendance. They will be awarded
with a £50 gift voucher to spend on classroom
resources next term.



Spring Term Attendance Award

372 Pupils have achieved 97% and above
attendance during Spring Term 1. This is a
fantastic achievement we are looking forward to
rewarding them with an attendance treat in
April . Well done to these pupils, we would love
for all of our pupils to achieve 100% next term.

Dates for your diary...

Half term Holidays begin Friday
15th February 2019 3.30pm

Return to school— Monday 25th
February at 8.45am.

School Twitter Account



Please follow our school twitter account: **Thornton Owls** to
have regular updates of the children's wonderful work.

Headteacher: Mrs Sue Simmons

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Grace

Assistant Headteachers: Mr Couldrey, Mrs Easthope and Miss Loach

Chair of Governors: Mr Amjid Ali

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