



# Thorpe Hesley Primary School Newsletter

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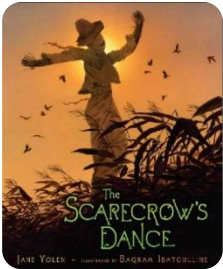
Next week the menu is week three.  
The menu is on our web site.



Thorpe Hesley Primary School community mourn the loss of a great woman. Queen Elizabeth II was an amazing lady who stood for so many things that are good about our nation. She had strong family values, a great sense of honour and cared about others immensely. We can only imagine the devastating loss for her close family, as we feel such a sense of loss ourselves. At school today, we have marked the passing of our longest reigning monarch with staff wearing black out of respect. All our school community went out onto the playgrounds for 12 noon to listen to the church bells and ring bells of our own. We are very fortunate that our school is filled with wonderful creative outcomes from the recent Jubilee and this tribute to our dear Queen speaks for itself. God bless Queen Elizabeth II; may she rest in peace. Long live the King.



Welcome back to the new year here at school!  
Already we have had so many exciting times planned. We have our Parent Welcome Meetings. Some have already happened. The Scarecrow's Dance festival day and lots more. Please check the newsletter every week for dates and information as it all goes on here – hopefully!  
Our staff and children have come back with a real purpose and the atmosphere in school is zinging! Thank you for making sure your children arrive in suitable uniform and please make sure your child remembers to bring their PE kit every Monday and bring it back on Friday for washing. If they come out without it please remind them!  
Thank you also for sending flat book bags and drawstring PE kits, it makes a huge difference to space in school.



On Wednesday next week (**September 14<sup>th</sup>**) we are asking you to send your children in fancy dress related to our **'Scarecrow's Dance'** topic for the harvest. We have been doing lots of exciting work in school related to scarecrows and this will be showcased on displays soon. There is no charge for dressing up, but please look out an old shirt / hat etc and look out for the scarecrows!



**Thorpe Hesley Primary School Library**  
Our school library is open every Tuesday and Thursday straight after school.  
It is located in the infant building, accessed from the main playground.  
There are books suitable for EVERYONE, no membership needed!

**Can you spare an hour a week, maybe after drop off or just before school pick up?**  
We are looking to grow our team of reading volunteers. Full training will be provided. If you are interested in listening to our children read, please put your name down with your child's class teacher.

Please do NOT let children climb on the new outdoor stages before and after school. They are not climbing frames and not only could it damage them, children could be hurt. We would like to be able to use them before they become spoiled! Can we also make sure Grandparents know? Thanks for your support. ☺



**Winterhill Academy** are having an open event for Year 4, 5 and 6 parents on **Saturday 17th September 2022 from 10.00 to 12.00** in the morning.

During this event you will have the opportunity to meet the Headteacher, Mr Rhodes as well as some of the teaching staff.

There will also be a presentation outlining our school ethos and values and an opportunity to find out more about life at Winterhill. There will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

We would be delighted if you could join us at **Wingfield Academy** for our open morning on **Saturday 1st October from 10am to 12.30pm**. The event is for all Year 4, 5 & 6 students and parents.

The open morning will give you an opportunity to meet Mr Davis, our Headteacher and hear all about our vision and ethos at Wingfield Academy. There will also be activities happening in every subject area which will give you a small insight into life at Wingfield and what it feels like to be part of our school community.

All of our teaching staff and support staff will be present at the morning to answer any questions that you may have about our school, we are really looking forwards to meeting you!

Please remember that we share our learning through our Twitter and Instagram feed.

You can see us on @thorpehesleypri on Twitter and Thorpe\_hesley-primary\_school on Instagram. You do not need to follow us to view it.

The Twitter feed also comes up on our website <https://www.thorpehesleyprimary.rotherham.sch.uk/>



This week you should have received on your personal email.....

Infant Blg Dinner Choice form

Scarecrow Extravaganza Day

Winterhill & Wingfield Open Day

Wellies for Outdoor Learn

Flu vaccinations

Photo permission reminders

Y6 visit Crucial Crew

Stars of the week		w/c 5th September 2022	
Class 10	Divine O	Class 11	Joey P
Class 12	Jackson G	Class 13	Freddie M
Class 14	Riley M	Class 15	Summer P
Class 16	Laila R	Class 17	Annabelle C-S
Class 18	Ethan H	Class 19	Alexander B
Class 20	Archie F	Class 2	Start giving them next week once settled in!
		Class 3	
		Class 4	
Class 5	Archie D	Class 6	Freya P
Class 7	Scarlett F	Class 8	Harriet B
Class 9	Imogen F	Class 9	Imogen F

We would like to thank all parents and carers who donated school clothing and supplies to support the charity Schools4Gambia. David came to collect everything in the summer holidays and was astounded by the generosity you have shown.

We would also like to specifically mention A J Smith Funerals, Greasbrough who kindly spent £200 on brand new school clothing and resources to be donated.

We really do have the most supportive parents and community!

Millie K Class 10 is raising money for **The Little Princess Trust**. They provide beautiful wigs for children and young people in need. They also do research into cancer treatments, and other conditions affecting hair loss and provide support for those in need.

To raise funds she is doing a September Readathon and finishing the month having her gorgeous hair chopped, by at least 30cm to donate to the trust for wig making. The cost of just one wig to make is £550 so she's ideally determined to raise that figure.

Please take a look at her just giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/MillieKettleborough>

Did you know that reading for pleasure can improve health and well-being, aid communication skills, enhance concentration, build self-esteem and improve the ability to understand one's own and others' feelings? Regular reading has even been associated with better sleeping patterns!

As you know, we are very passionate about reading at Thorpe Hesley Primary School. We have spent a great deal of time (and budget!) to research and buy core reading texts for your children to enjoy at home known in school as 'Reading Spines'. These will once again be coming home with your children from next week (F2-Y6). We ask that you spend some time discussing these texts with your children and share your reading experiences together. We know that, as busy parents, there are many jobs that need to be done but finding the time to relax and share a book with your child can be such a special time. Please remember to record any home reading in your child's school planner. We ask that you read with or listen to your child read three times a week, as a minimum!



**PLEASE NOTE that we are a nut free school.**

We have staff and children in school with severe nut allergy. Although we allow healthy snacks for break time these must be **nut free please**.

This also includes Lunch Boxes from home. No nuts please.

We are holding a Re-launch of TT Rockstars on Friday 14th October 2022.

TT Rockstars is an online app that encourages children to practice their Times Tables regularly. As a school children from Year 2 upwards are encouraged to use it and we have seen the fact that it means our children have multiplication facts at their fingertips have a huge impact on maths progress and attainment. It is a brilliant tool to engage and encourage!

**All children** (Nursery to Year 6) are invited to dress up (no charge) as Rock Stars on that day and join in the fun.

By then, all relevant children will have had log-ins issued and well on their way to becoming Rock Stars.

Rock On Folks 🎸🎤🎧🎵



To support our **Learning Outside the Classroom** in school we are asking that every child has a pair of wellies in a plastic bag (named) in school at all times. When classes or groups are taken down to the outdoor learning area or just go out in other areas of school for learning outdoors it is important that they have footwear which will keep them dry and not bring mud into school. Thank you so much for your support with this.



### Dates going forward

w/c 12 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Whole school theme: Scarecrow Dance	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Reception Eye Tests am
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Year 3 and 4 Welcome Stay and Learn 9.00 – 9.30		Y5 Local Walk 9.30 - 1pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Reception Eye Tests am		Phonics Workshop ALL reception & Y1 Parents invited 9-9.30 Infant Building Hall
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Scarecrow Dress Up		
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	What to expect workshop all nursery & reception parents invited 9-9.30	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2022	Year 1 and 2 Reading / phonics Stay and Learn 2.30 – 3.20
	Year 6 Welcome Stay and Learn 9.00 – 9.45	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Flu immunisation
	Year 1 and 2 Welcome Stay and Learn 2.30 – 3.20	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2022	Year 3 and 4 Reading Stay and Learn 9.00 – 9.30
	Whole school theme: Scarecrow Dance		Stay and Learn Reading class 3 - 2.30pm