



# Thorpe Hesley Primary School Newsletter

November(2) 2024

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Next week's menu is Week 1 of our brand new menus. Please see attached.



It has been great to see children across school embracing anti-bullying week. We kicked off the week with special assemblies in both buildings delivered by our fabulous School Council on the theme of Respect. This included sharing a special video that they had made which you can watch here...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1umFNglGRA>. Our children enjoyed wearing odd socks to show that it's ok to be different and to stand up against bullying and discrimination. They have also enjoyed taking part in a range of workshops and activities throughout the week and dressing up in their bright colours today to celebrate diversity.

Our School Council and Year 6 children took part in a special Remembrance Day service at Church on Monday. They did us proud with their behaviour and thoughtfulness as always. Our Nursery children also enjoyed their "When I grow up I'd like to be..." dress up day on Tuesday and we loved hearing about their aspirations for the future.

We've loved seeing so many parents in school this week, with Stay and Learn sessions in Nursery, Reception, Year 3 and Year 6 and a drop in session with our Children and Families Team to offer advice on sleep, toileting, accessing support via Early Help and support for their own mental health.

Finally, our KS2 Girls football team have done us proud representing our school in a tournament today. Well done to everyone involved.

Mrs Hewitt x



## Baking Club

Our Tuesday baking sessions start next week at after school club. This will run from home time until 4:30pm in both room (EYFS/KS1 and KS2). There are still places remaining. If you would like to book your child in, please give the office a call. Bookings can be made on a week by week basis so children can try out the first session and see if it's for them. This week we will be making and tasting our own pizzas.

## Christmas Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has been busy selling raffle tickets. We have some fantastic prizes this year, including hospitality tickets for Man United, vouchers and gifts cards, hampers, wine and Chocolates and many more! Don't forget, the child who sells the most raffle tickets will win £20, with £10 for the runner up. And even better, this is all for a good cause with all money raised going towards books for our children and our school. Please return any spare books that you are unable to sell to either office as we already have families asking for more.

## Oracy Day – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

We are very excited about Oracy Day which will be taking place in school on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Our teachers have been challenged to plan a whole day of learning which does not involve any writing. It's a chance for children to put their pens down, talk, listen and take part in lots of pen-free activities, all whilst having fun raising valuable funds for Speech and Language resources within school to support those children who experience difficulties in this area. We are inviting children to come in non-uniform in exchange for cash donations to go towards providing resources to support this vital work in school.

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

Reception Dinner Choice

Toy /Age Uk Gifts



Stars of the week  
w/c 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024



Class 10	Harriet W
Class 11	Oscar E
Class 12	Isla H
Class 13	Esmay U
Class 14	Louie P
Class 15	Heidi A
Class 16	Sophia S
Class 17	Olivia P
Class 18	Ted C
Class 2	Destiny E
Class 3	Billie W
Class 4	Isabelle H
Class 5	Isabelle F
Class 6	Cooper T
Class 7	Emily S
Class 8	Zach J
Class 9	Heidi A



### School Website and X

Just a reminder that you can keep up to date with what's been going on in school via the news section of our school website <https://thorpehesleyprimary.rotherham.sch.uk/news/> or via our X page, @thorpeheslepri.



Well done to the following children who have the most correct answers this week:

1. Alby C, Year 4
2. Wyllan S, Year 4
3. Frank M, Year 4
4. Archie D, Year 4
5. Victory O, Year 4

### Attendance

Congratulations to Class 6 and 18 who had the highest attendance this week. Adam the Attendance Ant is looking forward to a busy week visiting Class 6 and Class 18 can't wait to enjoy having the football pitch and basketball hoops to themselves at breaktimes next Friday.

### Christmas Pantomime and Buffet Lunch

A polite reminder that payments for the Christmas pantomime and Christmas buffet are due by 20<sup>th</sup> November please.

### Santa's Sack Donations

You should have received a poster this week about our Christmas Extravaganza on 18<sup>th</sup> December. We are VERY excited for this! We are currently looking for gifts to fill Santa's Sack. If any of our parents have links to local businesses who may be willing to make any donations of gifts, we would love to hear from you. If you would like any more information please give us a call.

### Percentage of children in each class who have read at least three times a week and recorded in Reading Record books

Class 2	81%	Class 11	96%
Class 3	75%	Class 12	100%
Class 4	94%	Class 13	94%
Class 5	76%	Class 14	93%
Class 6	73%	Class 15	97%
Class 7	89%	Class 16	86%
Class 8	93%	Class 17	100%
Class 9	89%	Class 18	87%
Class 10	60%		



Thank you to all of the families who have nominated us through their Asda Rewards app. Please keep this going as we have until the end of November to add to our school's Cashpot!

All you need to do is download the Asda Rewards app and opt in. Choose 'Thorpe Hesley Primary School' and help raised funds for our school. Every time you shop with Asda Rewards until 30<sup>th</sup> November, Asda will donate 0.5% of your total spends to school.

### Dates going forward

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual and sibling photographs in school.
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	15:30 MTC meeting for Y4 Parents
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	SEN Reviews (Day 1)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Year 3 visit to Church
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4 Viking Day
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Wear a Christmas jumper day Christmas Gift Services in Church: 9:30 Years 1 and 2; 10:15 Years 3 and 4; 11:00 Years 5 and 6 Christmas lunch After school until 17:00 - Christmas film night
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	SEN Reviews (Day 2) Intrahealth in school to deliver flu vaccine to pupils who have not already received it
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	9:15 Nursery Christmas performance 14:00 Year 3 and 4 Christmas performance

## Extra-Curricular Activities

As an outstanding school, our goal is to provide as many opportunities (alongside our creative curriculum) for children to explore and develop their own interests, hobbies and talents.



**Last academic year**, we had a number of extra-curricular activities that took place both during and after school time. Some of these included girls and boys' football, choir, Pokémon trading club, Rocksteady, library club, Woodpeckers outdoor club, homework club, relaxation club, Eco-Champions, recorder club and sewing club (to name just a few!).



**This academic year**, we will continue to provide extra-curricular opportunities for the children as well as our newly revamped wrap-around care. Already this year, we have a number of clubs taking place. These include:

KS2 maths club

KS1 and KS2 choir

Girls football

Boys football

Football Friday

Science Club

Eco-Champions

Woodpeckers outdoor club

KS2 Dance club

Library club

Baking Tuesdays at after-school club



*\*Sometimes clubs are age/year-group related*

These clubs are a perfect opportunity for children to have fun, socialise and take part in activities that spark their interest. Keep an eye out on our weekly newsletter for updates.



We also encourage children that take part in clubs and activities *outside of school*, to share their achievements in our weekly star assemblies. Children are welcome to bring in their certificates, medals, trophies etc on a Friday and we love to see posts on Twitter about what they have been getting up to in their own time so please do share.