



# Thorpe Hesley Primary School Newsletter

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**Safeguarding lead:** Mrs S Hewitt. **Deputy Safeguarding:** Mrs Oakley, Mrs Rawlinson, Mrs Lilleker and Mrs Shaw  
**Children and Families Officer (CAFO)** – Mr Rawlinson **Chair of Advisory Group and Safeguarding Governor** – S Scott



Next week's menu is Week 1



This week's been a busy one in school! We've had three days of SEN Reviews, celebrating achievements and successes. It's been lovely to share lots of positivity and praise. Thank you to all the adults who attended, to all our fabulous staff for their outstanding inclusive practice and our fabulous children!

Year 4 had lots of fun on Wednesday for their Viking Day making longboats and Powerpoints to showcase all that they have learnt. Yesterday the whole school enjoyed getting into the Christmas spirit in our Christmas jumpers. Our children sang their hearts out at the Christmas gift services and our fabulous kitchen teams provided a delicious Christmas dinner. Thank you to everyone who came to support us at Church and we are so grateful for all of the extremely generous donations to Age UK and Families First. Thanks to your generosity, lots of people will enjoy the magic of opening a special gift on Christmas day. A further big thank you for supporting our Christmas film night. Our children all had a lovely time and we made a massive £1,525 to go towards resources to support our creative curriculum.



Wishing all of our families a lovely weekend,

Mrs Hewitt x



### A Polite Request

We are very lucky at Thorpe Hesley Primary School to have the best staff in the World! Our staff all work exceptionally hard to provide our children with the best care, education and experiences possible and all of them go above and beyond for our children and families. Although they all try their best to respond to emails quickly and to be available to speak to parents, they are very busy at this time of year and are not always available straight away. Please can we ask that you respect this and are mindful of speaking to them politely. Please remember that teachers and office staff are human too. We are very grateful to the vast majority of our families who are always extremely supportive and lovely to our staff but sadly, this is not always the case.

### Farewell

This week we said a very emotional goodbye to our fabulous School Business Manager, Mrs Screaton (formerly Mrs Firth). Mrs Screaton has worked at our school for twenty-four years and has had a massive impact on our school, our staff and our families during that time. She will be greatly missed and I'm sure you will all join us in wishing her a very happy retirement!



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

Reception Dinner Choices



Stars of the week w/c 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2024		★ ★ ★	Class 10	Seth G
		★ ★ ★	Class 11	Phoebe M
			Class 12	Rory W
Class 2	Archie G		Class 13	Lacey V
Class 3	Marley K		Class 14	Kate B
Class 4	Juliette P		Class 15	Vinnie B
Class 5	George C		Class 16	Alfie W
Class 6	Harvey J		Class 17	Millie B
Class 7	Amelia W		Class 18	Jackson G
Class 8	Iris C			
Class 9	Nylah W			



## Parking

Please could we ask that our families are mindful when parking in the vicinity of school for drop-off and pick-up that you are not blocking access to pavements. We have a number of parents/carers who use mobility scooters as well as many parents with prams and pushchairs who require use of the pavements for access. This is also putting pupils and other members of the public in danger, having to walk in the road due to the obstruction caused by parked vehicles  
Many thanks for your support with this.

## Design a Football Shirt Competition

I am delighted to announce the winners of our Design a Football Shirt Competition. All of our winners will receive two free tickets to a Rotherham United home match for this season. Well done!

Aria-Rae E, Year 1  
Laken S, Year 3  
Isabelle A, Year 5  
Erin C, Year 5

Carter C, Year 2  
Hallie R, Year 3  
Oaklan B, Year 5  
Alan S, Year 6



## Play Leaders of the Month

Another amazing month for the Playground Leaders. In Key Stage 1, Heidi M has received Play Leader of the Month for her consistent maturity, being incredibly helpful and always following the Golden Rules. In Key Stage 2, Ivy H has been chosen. She received many votes for being kind and making breaktimes fun. Well done to both Heidi and Ivy; I am very proud. Keep up the great work.  
Mrs Marsden x

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

Class 2	83%	Class 11	86%
Class 3	69%	Class 12	94%
Class 4	94%	Class 13	85%
Class 5	70%	Class 14	87%
Class 6	81%	Class 15	97%
Class 7	28%	Class 16	100%
Class 8	93%	Class 17	93%
Class 9	93%	Class 18	94%
Class 10	72%		



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

1. Aria R, Year 4
2. Lydia S, Year 4
3. Blake W, Year 6
4. Isla R, Year 3
5. Erin S, Year 6

## Attendance

Congratulations to Class 8 and 18 who had the highest attendance this week. Adam the Attendance Ant is looking forward to a busy week visiting Class 8 and Class 18 can't wait to enjoy having the football pitch and basketball hoops to themselves at breaktimes next Friday.

## Dates going forward

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	9:15 Nursery Christmas performance 14:00 Year 3 and 4 Christmas performance
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	9:15 Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance 9:15 Year 3 and 4 Christmas performance 14:00 Year 1 and 2 Christmas performance
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole school pantomime and buffet lunch day! Oh yes it is! All children are welcome to wear Christmas Jumpers with their school uniform.
Thursday 12 December	Official Save the Children Christmas jumper day. – Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper to school with their school uniform if they would like to. We have set up a Just Giving Page for Save the Children that you can access using this link if you would like to donate. <a href="#">Christmas Jumper Day</a>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15 Reception Christmas Performance 2.15 Nursery Christmas Performance
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Visit to the Artworks