



# Thorpe Hesley Primary School Newsletter

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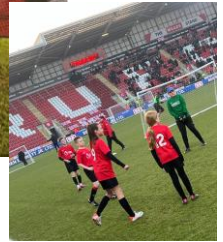
The menu for next week is Week 3



It's been lovely to welcome lots of our parents into school again this week. We've had maths stay and learns for Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 as well as a Pupil Premium coffee morning and a 'With Me in Mind' parent workshop offering advice and strategies to support children with managing worry. A big thank you to all of our parents who have engaged with these sessions. We hope you have found them useful.

Our Year 6 football team did us proud at New York Stadium on Saturday. They had a great match and have qualified for the next round of the half time cup! Well done!

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Hewitt x



## ⚽ Thorpe's Super Sports Report ⚽

Last Saturday, our Y6 girls & boys football team played on the pitch at the New York Stadium in the 'Rotherham United Half Time Cup Competition'. What a great game of football it was! Both teams came close to scoring but with some really competitive performances, the game ended 0-0 and went to sudden death penalties. With nerves of steel, there were some super penalties and great saves to put Thorpe through to the next round. It was a fabulous experience for the team and they certainly did us proud. Well done everyone!

Quotes of the day;

'I loved playing on the pitch and I had the best time with my friends and teachers,' Evie, Class 16.

'I loved it at RUFC and it was the best experience. I was so happy to step on the pitch to play,' Lewis, Class 17.

## Parking

We have received another visit in school from two Police Community Support Officers following complaints about inconsiderate parking around the local area at drop-off and pick-up times. We have been asked to let you know that this will be being monitored and action may be taken if cars are found to be park illegally or in an unsafe manner, particularly where pavements are blocked forcing pedestrians onto the roads. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our children and families safe.

## School Library

Just a reminder that our school library is open every Tuesday and Thursday after school. We have loved seeing our many regular visitors but would love to welcome some new faces too. Our library, based in the infant building next to Class 5, is bursting with exciting texts from poetry to graphic novels. There are a range of texts and genres available for children in Nursery, Reception, KS1 and KS2. Our school library service is completely FREE so please do come and take a look.

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

Reception Dinner Choice

Reception Chinese Lion Reminder



Stars of the week w/c 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2025		Class 10	Noah W-L
		Class 11	Alexus Eve-B
		Class 12	Arlo D
Class 2	Evan T	Class 13	Alfie B
Class 3	Annie D	Class 14	Brody G
Class 4	Eva W	Class 15	Darcie B
Class 5	Sophie L	Class 16	Freddie M
Class 6	Samuel S	Class 17	Casey W
Class 7	Leo B	Class 18	Joseph G
Class 8	Finn W		
Class 9	Piper S		



## Mud Kitchen

As you know, our woodland area is constantly evolving and we are always looking for ways that we can add to and enhance our wonderful outdoors provision. One suggestion is to add in a mud kitchen to engage some of our younger children in school (and quite possibly some of the older ones too!). If anyone happens to have an old mud kitchen that you no longer use or any resources to go with it, we would be very grateful for any donations. Many thanks.

## Lunchtime Volunteers

We are always looking for ways to make our breaktimes and lunchtimes as engaging as possible for our children. We have invested in lots of breaktime equipment over the last year, e.g. skipping ropes, hula hoops, bats and balls, hockey equipment etc and children also have access to our traversing walls, football nets and basket ball hoops. We've also organised some staff training that is coming up shortly on engaging children in fun games and activities to promote social skills and support positive friendships. If anyone out there fancies volunteering their time one day a week between 12 – 1 to come in to support with games and activities, we would love to hear from you. All training and ideas would be provided, as well as support from experienced staff. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

## Trip Payments

Just a reminder that trips and visits for all year groups are set up on Arbor if you would like to spread out payments. These can be accessed on Arbor through "Activities > Trips."

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

Class 2	95%	Class 11	88%
Class 3	69%	Class 12	97%
Class 4	79%	Class 13	87%
Class 5	76%	Class 14	83%
Class 6	88%	Class 15	100%
Class 7	91%	Class 16	93%
Class 8	71%	Class 17	100%
Class 9	93%	Class 18	96%
Class 10	82%		



Well done to the following children who have earned the most coins this week:

1. Alby C, Year 4
2. Archie D, Year 4
3. Samuel I, Year 4
4. Archie B, Year 4
5. Victory O, Year 4

## Attendance

Congratulations to Classes 7 and 14 who had the highest attendance this week. Adam the Attendance Ant is looking forward to a busy week visiting Class 7 and Class 14 can't wait to enjoy having the football pitch and basketball hoops to themselves at breaktimes next Friday.

## Dates going forward

WC Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Cultural Faith and Diversity week - As part of our Multicultural half term at our school, we will be hosting <b>Faith and Diversity Week</b> next week. Throughout the week, students will engage in activities designed to foster understanding, empathy, and respect for the many faiths and cultures represented at our school. <i>As part of World Hijab Day on Friday 31st January 2025- we are inviting children if they wish, to wear a scarf around their neck to reflect their identity, which is the purpose of the Hijab for Muslims. This may therefore be a football scarf for their favourite team, a scarf of their favourite colour or a scarf that reflects their personality in some way (e.g. bright cheerful colours). School uniform is to be worn as normal</i>
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	9:00 Year 4 Maths Stay and Learn
WC 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Wellbeing week – more information to follow
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	9:00 Class 1 Acorn Stay and Learn session
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Break the Rules Day (more info to follow) Last day of half term.
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Children back in school.
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Reception Vets and Pets Day
WC Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	NCLT Primaries TT Rockstars Battle
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00 Year 4 Writing Stay and Learn
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	9:00 Year 5 Writing Stay and Learn