



Thorpe Hesley Primary School Newsletter

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The menu for
next week is
Week 1



It has been wonderful to welcome our children back to school this week and hear all about what they've been up to over the summer! A big welcome to our new families who have started with us this week. We are very excited for the year ahead.

School has been a hive of activity over the summer. We have some brand new trim trail equipment on our infant yard for the children to enjoy using at break and lunchtimes. These are proving very popular already! We've had some new picnic tables under the canopy on the Junior side yard and some matching picnic tables for the infant yard are on their way. We've also had a big investment from the trust to upgrade the heating system in the junior building. We've made a good start on this over the summer but our contractors will be continuing to work over evenings and weekends for the next few weeks to get this completed. Once it's finished, we have plans to redecorate the Junior building so we are very excited to have a warm, smart school again! Watch this space.

We have planned in opportunities straight after school on Tuesday next week for Y1 to Y5 parents to drop-in to see your child's new classroom and meet the staff teams who will be supporting your children this year. Our Year 6 team are running a separate welcome meeting at 9am on Monday morning in the Junior Hall. It would be lovely to see lots of you there.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Hewitt x



Before and After School

Please can we ask that parents ensure that children are not using any of the equipment in the infant yard, including the new wobble bridges and the climbing wall, before and after school. This is both for the children's own safety and to ensure that our equipment is looked after and kept in good condition for all of our children to enjoy. Many thanks.

Mobile Phones

Please ensure that children are only bringing mobile phones into school if this is completely necessary. All mobile phones must be switched off during school time and handed to the child's class teacher. These will then be returned at the end of the day. Under no circumstances are children to use mobile phones within school or whilst on school premises. This includes during drop-off and pick-up times. Thank you for your support with this.





Fletcher's Full House Reading Challenge Returns!

We're excited to announce that the Fletcher's Full House Reading Challenge is back for the new school year! Children across Anston Greenlands, Redscope and Thorpe Hesley are being challenged to read at least three times each week and record their reading in their Home School Reading Diary. Reading regularly at home is one of the best ways to develop confidence, fluency and a lifelong love of books.

Schools can earn Bronze, Silver and Gold Fletcher's Full House 100% Club Awards by achieving 100% participation. To achieve the prestigious Gold Award, every child must read at least three times per week for four weeks before the October half-term break.

As an extra incentive, any school achieving the Gold Standard will receive £200 to spend on new books for pupils to enjoy.

We would love all of our families to support this challenge by encouraging regular reading at home. Together, let's make this our most successful reading challenge yet and help every child become a confident, enthusiastic reader!

Can we achieve 100% and become Gold Standard readers once again? We can't wait to find out!



Parking

Just a reminder to please be considerate when parking in the local area for drop-off and pick-up. There is no access for vehicles on the school drive or in the staff car parks for parents/carers at any time. This is for the safety of our children. If you think you may be eligible for a parking permit, please contact the school office.

Attendance

We will start our attendance rewards next week for the class each week with the best attendance. Please support our attendance by making sure that your children are in school, on-time every day. Thank you.

Stars of the week 		Class 10	Evie F
		Class 11	Tianna Leigh - A
		Class 12	Joshua C
		Class 13	Bella B
Class 2	Nicholas S	Class 14	Indie L
Class 3	George D	Class 15	Ruben S
Class 4	Quinn F	Class 16	Carter C-B
Class 5	Joey P	Class 17	Eunice T
Class 6	Rowan S	Class 18	Eshal A
Class 7	Ophelia P-C	Class 19	Charlie K
Class 8	Mia G	Class 20	Riley V
Class 9	Axel W		

Dates going forward

Monday 7 th September	9:00 Year 6 Welcome Meeting
Tuesday 8 th September	3:20pm Year 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 welcome drop-in for parents to see their child's new classroom and meet the team Year 3 and 4 Stone Age Day
Thursday 17 th September	9am Phonics workshop for parents of Reception children
Friday 18 th September	Flu vaccinations in school (Reception to Year 6) pm KS2 dance club performing at the sculpture exhibit opening at Rotherham Minster
Monday 21 st September	School viewing for prospective new families
Wednesday 23 rd September	9:00 – 9:30 Year 3 and 4 Reading Stay and Learn 9:00 – 10:00 Oral Health coffee morning for parents in the infant hall