

Thurlow Church of England (VC) Primary School Newsletter Friday 30th September, 2022



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Head Teacher's Special Mention Awards

~ Butterflies Class ~ Amaya Cole

~ Otters Class ~ Jack Scott-Whybrow

~ Hares Class ~ Kelly Goldsmith

A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Another great week here at Thurlow! The children have continued to work hard and give their best efforts to all areas of their learning. It was lovely to see so many children supporting Macmillan today in non-uniform and enjoying their tasty cakes!

It was great a few of you could make our Parent Forum session on Wednesday this week ~ thank you so much, I really appreciate it! Please remember this forum is an opportunity for parents to discuss the life of the school and ways to improve. We spent a little time discussing recent school communications and changes to these, which were positively received. We talked a little about the current economic challenges facing families, how school was responding by adjusting trips and visits as well as giving additional thought to fundraising requests. We also talked about the updated reading approach and suggestions were made for a parent guide. Homework also came up! Meeting notes are being collated and will be available in the School Office for anyone to view shortly.

We are looking forward to our SHARE afternoon next week linked to National Poetry Day. The children will really love you being with them! We are very keen to ensure you feel involved and part of your child's learning, so look out for further opportunities like this as the year progresses.

Have an enjoyable weekend everyone; see you next week!

Warmest regards, Mrs FitzGerald

SCHOOL START AND FINISH TIMES

To confirm, school officially starts at 8.50am when the children are collected from the playground. The gate will be unlocked at 8.45am. School finishes at 3.15pm; the gate will be unlocked at 3.10pm.

COLDER WEATHER

As we find ourselves in autumn the weather has definitely turned a little chilly, please can you ensure the children have a suitable coat with them as well as their jumpers / cardigans and their sensible school shoes?

REMINDER!

Please be sure to name all uniform, particularly ties, jumpers and cardigans. This helps us ensure misplaced items can be returned quickly ~ thank you for your support in this matter.

REMINDER: FOR YOUR INFORMATION

On a Wednesday morning, we have a short staff briefing at 8.30am to share anything pertinent about the day / week. This meeting includes <u>all staff</u> and means the School Office may be unmanned for a short amount of time. If you are reporting an absence or need to speak to a member of staff please telephone before 8.30am and waiting at the office, please be patient, a member of staff will return!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Others will follow but I know lots of you will want to get these onto the calendar as soon as possible. The team and I are continuing to add to our schedule with special days, visitors and trips, including some additional 'share' opportunities ~ we will keep you posted!

AUTUMN TERM 2022

Monday 3rd October ~ Butterflies Class 'Share' Session

As communicated in Butterflies Class Newsletter at the start of the term ~ Come along to our 'Memory Box' sessions at 9-9.30am or 2.30-3pm.

Thursday 6th October ~ National Poetry Day

There will be lots of poetry-focused learning across the school today. At 2:15pm in the afternoon, we are hosting 'share' sessions and parents and carers are invited to attend. Join your child and share their learning as part of this day.

Friday 7th October ~ Hares Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm

Parents of children in Hares Class <u>only</u> are invited.

Friday 14th October ~ Otters Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm Parents of children in Otters Class only are invited.

AUTUMN TERM 2022 continued...

Thursday 20th October ~ HARVEST SERVICE at the church (TBC)

FRIDAY 21ST OCTOBER ~ END OF HALF-TERM HALF-TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 24th October ~ Friday 28th October

Monday 31st October to Friday 4th November PARLIAMENT LEARNING WEEK including School Council Elections

Monday 7th November to Thursday 10th November ~ PARENT CONSULTATIONS

(Individual Class Teachers will confirm specific days and times available via Class Dojo) Find out how your child is doing in class with their academic targets.

Friday 4th November ~ Celebration Presentation including introduction of School Council Representatives at 2.45pm Parents of elected School Council Representatives <u>only</u> are invited.

Tuesday 15th November ~ PROSPECTIVE PARENTS OPEN MORNING ~ 9.15am until 12pm

Friday 11th November ~ REMEMBRANCE DAY

Monday 14th November ~ World Kindness Day, coinciding with the start of anti-bullying week and concluding with Friday 18th November ~ Children in Need Day

Friday 25th November ~ Butterflies Class Family Celebration Presentation at 2.45pm Parents of children in Butterflies Class <u>only</u> are invited.

Thursday 1st December ~ CHRISTINGLE SERVICE at the church (TBC) Thursday 8th December ~ AM & PM Performances of our Reception & Year 1 Nativity

Wednesday 14th December ~ Christmas Jumper Day (TBC)

Friday 16th December ~ 'FANCY FRIDAY' ~ end of term parties (& party clothes!)

Friday 16th December ~ LAST DAY OF THE AUTUMN TERM