

Thorney Tribune

Thorney Island CP School

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Dear Parents, Governors and Friends

It has been a very busy start to the term but also a very productive one. The children all appear very happy and settled and are making very good progress in their learning. Your support with this as always is much appreciated.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

26 September			3 October		
Owl Class	-	Oscar Calvert	Owl Class	-	Riley-Mae Ward
Osprey Class	-	Joey Windram	Osprey Class	-	Rory Cotterill
Falcon Class	-	Frederick Hooley	Falcon Class	-	Belle Anderson
Kestrel Class	-	Elsie-Belle Edmonds	Kestrel Class	-	Cody Harrison
Merlin Class	-	Ruby Carroll	Merlin Class	-	Isla Brennan
Hawk Class	-	Lily Poole	Hawk Class	-	Heidi Baldwin
Eagle Class		Oliver Bent	Eagle Class	-	Sophie Davies
10 October			17 October		
Owl Class	-	Sebastian Harpham	Owl Class	-	Rosie Burnand
Osprey Class	-	Vinnie Webb	Osprey Class	-	Willow Wilkinson
Falcon Class	-	Floriana Naulumatua	Falcon Class	-	Evelyn Boyce
Kestrel Class	-	Isobel Pitcher	Kestrel Class	-	Amelia Coombes
Merlin Class	-	Isla Cotterill	Merlin Class	-	Tommy Keveren
Hawk Class	-	Harison McKernan	Hawk Class	-	Oliver Davies
Eagle Class		Layla Reith-Van Beers	Eagle Class	-	Frankie Mills

Monster Phonics Day - Owl Class

How amazing did Owl Class children looked on their Monster Phonics Day! This should really help them to learn the names of the characters and the sounds that they make. Hopefully this will ensure they make great progress with their reading. A big thank to all the parents who managed to make the phonics meeting; this was much appreciated by both myself and the school governors.





The High Sheriff of West Sussex Visits Thorney Island School



It was a pleasure to host the High Sheriff of West Sussex, Dr Tim Fooks who came and spoke to the children explaining his role in championing those who help us in West Sussex such as the military, police, ambulance workers and the fire and rescue service. Dr Fooks also met some of the school governors before going to visit 7ADGP and the Station Commander.

Anglo Saxon Battle - Bringing Learning to Life - Hawk Class

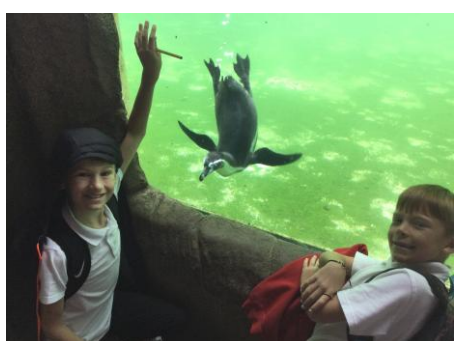


Fairytale Reading - Osprey Class



A big thank you to all the parents who managed to make it to Osprey Class to read with their child. This was very much appreciated by everyone.

Marwell Zoo - Merlin Class



The children had a fantastic day learning about endangered animals. Mrs Blamire was really pleased that so many of the animals were outdoors and active meaning the children got to see them all. As always the children's behavior was outstanding and commented upon by everyone.

Football Tournament



The boys played extremely well for their first indoor tournament. All the games were fast paced and the teams evenly matched. The support from parents as always was excellent and much appreciated.

Bosham v Westbourne	0 - 1
Westbourne v Thorney	0 - 0
Thorney v Bosham	2 - 2
Westbourne v Bosham	0 - 0
Thorney v Westbourne	1 - 2
Bosham v Thorney	1 - 1

The Great Fire of London - Falcon Class

The children have been learning about the Great Fire of London and as part of this work they have learnt how dangerous fire can be. This was explained to them very carefully as we burnt their model houses.



Books At Bedtime

A big thank you to Miss Goss, Mr Stamp, Mrs Young and Miss Butler-Waite for helping stage this event which was so well supported and enjoyed by everyone.



Mrs Hearn, Mrs Roberts and Mrs Mann - Leaving Thorney!

Mrs Mann has decided not to return from maternity leave after working at the school for 4 years, and Mrs Hearn and Mrs Roberts are moving on to pastures new. Mrs Hearn has been at the school for 11 years and Mrs Roberts 9 Years. All are very experienced Teaching Assistants who have been fully committed to their roles whilst at the school. All of them will be missed greatly by both staff and children alike, their kind and caring natures have made them extremely popular with so many children over the years. We wish them all the best for the future, and it has been a pleasure to work with such dedicated and hardworking individuals.

Football Tournament



The boys played extremely well against strong opposition. Our goal scoring has improved but Southbourne were just too quick on the counterattack!

Chidham v Thorney	3 - 2
Southbourne v Chidham	4 - 0
Thorney v Southbourne	0 - 4
Thorney v Chidham	1 - 2
Chidham v Southbourne	0 - 0
Southbourne v Thorney	3 - 1

Yours sincerely

Dean Clegg
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

21 October	Merlin Class - Wear it Wild Day
22 October	Parents Evening
23 October	Parents Evening
23 October	Osprey Class Fairytale Dress-up Day
23 October	Kestrel Class Superhero Dress-up Day
23 October	Eagle Class - Roman Banquet
24 October	INSET Day - children do not attend school on this day
27 - 31 October	Half Term
03 November	INSET Day - children do not attend school on this day
06 November	Hawk Class to STEM session at Bourne Community College - 12.30pm
07 November	Eagle Class - SAT's Meeting with Parents - 2.30pm
10 November	Netball Tournament @ Bourne Community College (after school)
12 November	Owl Class Play & Share with parents 2.00pm
14 November	Children in Need - non-school uniform
17 November	Girls Football Tournament @ Bourne Community College (after school)
21 November	Hawk Class to The Planetarium, Chichester
25 November	Clarinet Assembly - Merlin Class at 9.30am
26 November	Parent Workshop 9.00 - 9.30 - 'Supporting My Child to Emotionally Regulate'
28 November	Rainbow Theatre performing Sleeping Beauty - whole school
28 November	Singling Club performing at Emsworth Christmas Light Switch On
05 December	Christmas Disco
09 December	Nativity - Owl & Merlin Classes - 9.15am
10 December	Variety Performance - Hawk & Eagle Class - 9.15am
10 December	Christmas Production - Osprey, Falcon & Kestrel Classes - 2.15pm
11 December	Christmas Production - Osprey, Falcon & Kestrel Classes - 9.15am
11 December	Nativity - Owl & Merlin Classes - 2.00pm
12 December	Osprey Class to Panto at Kings Theatre, Portsmouth
12 December	Variety Performance - Hawk & Eagle Classes - 2.15pm
18 December	Whole School Christmas Lunch & Class parties

Term Date 2025/2026

03 September 2025	Start of Autumn Term
27-31 October 2025	Half Term
19 December 2025	End of Autumn Term - Break up for Christmas Holiday
05 January 2026	Start of Spring Term
16-20 February 2026	Half Term
27 March 2026	End of Spring Term - Break up for Easter Holiday
13 April 2026	Start of Summer Term
25-29 May 2026	Half Term
22 July 2026	End of Summer Term - Break up for Summer Holiday

INSET Days for 2025/2026 are:

Friday 24 October 2025
 Monday 3 November 2025
 Monday 23 February 2026
 Friday 22 May 2026
 Monday 22 June 2026

Please make a note of these dates as children DO NOT attend school on these days.