

Thorney Tribune

Thorney Island CP School

Newsletter No 4

December 2025

Dear Parents, Governors and Friends

I hope this newsletter finds you well and looking forward to Christmas. The children have been a delight and a pleasure to be with over this festive period. They have shown extreme kindness and generosity of spirit which should make you all extremely proud parents.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

28 November			5 December		
Owl Class	-	Aiden Richardson	Owl Class	-	Annabelle Shoebridge
Osprey Class	-	Reign Sheehan	Osprey Class	-	Oliver Jepson
Falcon Class	-	Annora Thapa Kamal	Falcon Class	-	Beau Ashton
Kestrel Class	-	Henry Hellmers	Kestrel Class	-	William Bulmer
Merlin Class	-	Alfred Bulmer	Merlin Class	-	Daisie Dallimore
Hawk Class	-	Thomas Hart	Hawk Class	-	Noah Keveren
Eagle Class		Isabel Dippenaar	Eagle Class	-	George Harling
12 December					
Owl Class	-	Frankie Goldstone			
Osprey Class	-	Myla-Rae Shearsby			
Falcon Class	-	Dre Williams			
Kestrel Class	-	Rosa Matakiwia			
Merlin Class	-	Jack Vosanibole			
Hawk Class	-	Finn Evans			
Eagle Class		Reuben Starkey			

Platinum Reading Awards - 100 Reads

Congratulations to the following children for reaching their Platinum Reading Certificate:

Falcon Class: Imogen Lawes & Merlin Class: Alfie Lawes

Clarinet & Solo Player Assembly



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents who were able to attend this assembly, as I know the children really enjoyed having you there. All the children played extremely well, and the rest of the school listened beautifully.

School Choir Sing at Emsworth Christmas Lights Switch On



A big thank to all the children and staff, especially Mrs Blamire and Mrs Jones who attended the switching on of the Christmas lights in Emsworth. The feedback from everyone was extremely positive, the children really did well, and all the staff were extremely proud of their efforts. As Mr Hallam said in an email to me, 'I thought that the children were excellent and sang really well so a big thank you to them all. Great ambassadors for the school.'

Rainbow Theatre - Sleeping Beauty

The children had a fantastic time watching live theatre at school. They all fully participated with many getting to take part with the acting and all joining in the singing. "Oh yes they did," Oh no they didn't!" This is an experience that they will hopefully remember for a long time.



Thorney Troopers & Mini-Troopers

Thorney Troopers continues to take place for the children in Year 2 through to Year 6 every Thursday lunchtimes. The club is often very well attended with over 50 children going each week. Mini-Troopers is a much smaller group allowing it to be more reactive to needs. This is supported using a grant provided by the Armed Forces Covenant.



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Children in Need 2025

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Just Giving page and help us raise £185 for this amazing charity

Learning over the Christmas Break

I know Christmas is an extremely busy time of year but if you could encourage the children to read to relatives over the Christmas period that would be fantastic. For those children in Key Stage 2 going on Times Tables Rock Stars - <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth> - For just a few short periods over the break will just keep those facts fresh. This will make such a difference and is much appreciated by all in school.

School Disco

A big thank you to all the staff for stepping up to organise and run this event but especially to Mrs McCrossan who created all the playlists based on the children's suggestions and for organising all the refreshments and biscuits. The children all had an excellent time with a quiet space given to those that wanted or needed it.



Yours sincerely

Dean Clegg
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

18 December	Whole School Christmas Lunch
18 December	Christmas Parties
19 December	Last Day of Term - break up for Christmas Holiday
05 January	Back to school - start of the Spring Term
08 January	Hawk Class to STEM session at Bourne Community College - 12.30pm
15 January	Merlin Class - first week of swimming lessons
16 January	Hawk Class Bikeability Level 1 - more information to follow
19 January	Falcon Class to Gilbert White's House
19 January	After school clubs start this week
22 January	Hawk Class to SeaCity, Southampton
26 January	Merlin Class to Harry Potter Studio Tour
09 February	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK
11 February	Parents Evening - more information to follow
12 February	Parents Evening - more information to follow
16 - 20 February	Half Term
23 February	INSET Day

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.