

# Thorney Tribune

## Thorney Island CP School

### Newsletter No 5

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Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and rested and looking forward to the start of Spring! The school continues to prosper due to the hard work of all those involved and I would just like to thank you for your continued support - it is much appreciated.

#### STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

<b>6 January</b>			<b>13 January</b>		
Owl Class	-	Cody Harrison	Owl Class	-	Archie Mercer
Osprey Class	-	Jack Vosanibole	Osprey Class	-	Ashton Tamang
Falcon Class	-	Elsie Jennings	Falcon Class	-	Finlay Mercer
Kestrel Class	-	Isabel Dippenaar	Kestrel Class	-	Stanley Thornton
Harrier Class	-	Atunaisa Daumeke	Harrier Class	-	Koula Hawes
Merlin Class	-	Hermione Hopkins	Merlin Class	-	Amari Vitalis
Hawk Class	-	Layla Longley	Hawk Class	-	Api Navisiri
Eagle Class	-	Elodie Fung	Eagle Class	-	Duane Richards-Pichon
Sea Eagle Class	-	Finley Williamson	Sea Eagle Class	-	Lilly-Mai Cotton

#### Platinum Reading Awards - 100 Reads

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

Sea Eagle Class	Vance Stewart and Tegan Clark
Eagle Class	Levi Longley, Jacob Roberts, Lily Norris and Harry Bigby-Sutton
Hawk Class	Molly Kettle
Merlin Class	Lessie Hughes and Eli Clark
Harrier Class	Jason Tuck
Falcon Class	Darcie Edwards, Tahlia-Dior Legg, Jaeger Hughes, Imogen Walker-McClimens and Lottie Bigby-Sutton
Osprey Class	Harrison Millerchip, Amelia-Rose Savage, Sevanaia Naulago, Alfie Lawes, Beatrix Malone
Owl Class	Storm Drysdale

#### Attendance

Out of the 212 children on roll at school last term, 42 achieved 100% attendance, which is approximately 20% of the children at school. Historically the average attendance at Thorney Island School has been one of the highest in the country; we regularly have attendance rates of well over 95% at the end of the school year. Sadly, this has started to dip with many children falling below the average figure of 95%. The school governors have set a whole school target of 97% for this academic year. If children are poorly we understand and do not expect them in school. However with your support I am sure we can bounce back this term so that we are able to meet the target set as we have done so over the past 17 years!

## Kestrel and Harrier Class - Super Hero Graduation Day



I would like to say a big thank you to all the parents and children who helped make this day so special.

The children had a great day and all graduated as Super Heroes.

As one child said, "Coming to school is always fun but I really love the days when we get to dress up as it makes it even more exciting!"

## Clarinet Assembly



I was amazed to see how much progress the children in Merlin Class have made over such a short period of time. It was also really good to see so many parents attend this very special assembly. Having the whole school community together at Christmas was such a positive experience.

I look forward to seeing the progress Merlin Class make this term and to seeing them perform to the whole school again just before Easter.

## Merlin Class - Wizard Hook Day



Hogwarts had nothing on Thorney Island on this day!

## Chartwells new meal ordering system ... COMING SOON!



A new school lunch ordering system, ParentPay, is coming to your school.

Book all meals, universal, free or paid, online, for all school lunches from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Ordered meals will be served from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March

It's easy, quick and safe.  
Select your meal choices in advance.

**DON'T FORGET!**  
**SCHOOL MEALS ARE FREE FOR ALL PUPILS IN RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2.**

Chartwells  
so much more than fantastic food

### WHEN?

Start booking from **6 February 2023** for lunches starting from **20 March 2023**. All lunches up until Friday 17 March will continue to be booked via Meal Selector (paid parents) or via the school office for KS1 and FSM children.

### WHO?

This is for all Free School Meals, Universal Infant Meals and KS2 paid meals.

### HOW?

You will book meals through ParentPay. You will order the exact meal in advance for your child on the days you require them to have a hot meal. Chartwells kitchen team will have access to this information so that your child can be served the meal you have ordered for them on that day.

Medical diets and lifestyle can be selected at the point of ordering, medical evidence is still required for allergies. All meals are subject to supplier availability.

### LOOK OUT FOR MORE INFORMATION IN YOUR CHILD'S BOOK BAG

## Circus Day - Osprey and Falcon Class

A big thank you goes to Mrs Young for organising this experience for the children. It certainly helped the children to achieve two of the schools values - these being success and perseverance.



## Dates for your Diary

Please make sure you read carefully as new events are added frequently.

Yours sincerely

Dean Clegg  
Headteacher

## DIARY DATES

Monday 16 January	After School Clubs start this week
Monday 16 January	Football Tournament at Bourne Community College
Monday 23 January	Hawk Class visit to Sea City, Southampton
Monday 23 January	Football Tournament at Bourne Community College
Tuesday 24 January	Dance House Competition, Bognor Regis - Dance Club
Monday 30 January	Football Tournament (girls) at Bourne Community College
Wednesday 1 February	Eagle & Sea Eagle Classes - Matilda at Bourne Community College
Thursday 2 February	Falcon Class visit to Gilbert White's House
Monday 6 February	Mini Netball Tournament at Bourne Community College
Monday 6 February	NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK
Wednesday 8 February	Parents Evening - more information to follow
Thursday 9 February	Parents Evening - more information to follow
Friday 10 February	INSET Day - children do not attend school
13 - 17 February	Half Term
Monday 20 February	After school clubs continue
Monday 20 February	Mini Netball Tournament at Bourne Community College
Tuesday 21 February	Parents Information Meeting for residential visit to Runway's End
Tuesday 28 February	Kestrel and Harrier Classes visit to RHS Wisley
Thursday 2 March	World Book Day - more information to follow
Tuesday 14 March	Year 2 'SATs' meeting - more information to follow
Friday 17 March	Comic Relief - more information to follow
20 - 22 March	Eagle & Sea Eagle Class residential visit to Runway's End
Thursday 23 March	Merlin Class visit to Harry Potter Studios
Wednesday 29 March	Osprey Class visit to Pizza Express, Chichester
Friday 31 March	End of Term - Happy Easter!

### Term Dates 2022/2023

03 January 2023:	Start of Spring Term
10 February 2023:	INSET Day
13-17 February 2023:	Half Term
31 March 2023:	End of Spring Term - Break-up for Easter Holiday
17 April 2023:	Start of Summer Term
01 May 2023:	Bank Holiday
08 May 2023:	Public Holiday - Coronation of HM King Charles III
26 May 2023:	INSET Day
29 May - 2 June 2023:	Half Term
5 June 2023:	INSET Day
21 July 2023	End of Summer Term - Break-up for Summer Holiday

### INSET Days 2022/2023 - children do not attend school on these days

Friday 21 October 2022  
Monday 31 October 2022  
Friday 10 February 2023  
Friday 26 May 2023  
Monday 5 June 2023