

Thorney Tribune

Thorney Island CP School

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Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

This is just a short newsletter to keep you up to speed with things that are happening in school and to remind you of dates for your diary. Please be aware that a few new ones have been added! Please ensure you make a note of all those important dates such as Transition Day, Dress-up Days and Educational Visits that have been planned. We would not want anyone to miss out!

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

5 May			12 May		
Owl Class	-	Miriama Naulumatua	Owl Class	-	Arthur Baldry
Osprey Class	-	Philippa Mansfield	Osprey Class	-	Freya Billups
Falcon Class	-	Keresi Sauliga	Falcon Class	-	Eva Smith
Kestrel Class	-	Maisie Burton	Kestrel Class	-	Azaria Mtekatoka
Harrier Class	-	Alex Edwards	Harrier Class	-	Carlisle Sheehan
Merlin Class	-	Tevita Naulago	Merlin Class	-	Oscar Edmonds
Hawk Class	-	Eden Cutting	Hawk Class	-	Kyla Sinclair
Eagle Class	-	Kelsang Tamang	Eagle Class	-	Hudson Day
Sea Eagle Class	-	Lacey Rose	Sea Eagle Class	-	Amelia Holcroft
19 May			25 May		
Owl Class	-	Juliet Smith	Owl Class	-	Emily Kavanagh
Osprey Class	-	Jaxon Sheehan	Osprey Class	-	Beatrix Malone
Falcon Class	-	Elaina Hannah	Falcon Class	-	Rebecca Paddon
Kestrel Class	-	Layla Reith-Van Beers	Kestrel Class	-	Frankie Mills
Harrier Class	-	Aleina Kama	Harrier Class	-	Koula Hawes
Merlin Class	-	Daniela Wood	Merlin Class	-	Max Northall
Hawk Class	-	Anna Edwards	Hawk Class	-	Layla Longley
Eagle Class	-	Huxley Cutting	Eagle Class	-	
Sea Eagle Class	-	Finley Williamson	Sea Eagle Class	-	Oakley Eastman

Platinum Reading Awards - 100 Reads

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

Sea Eagle & Eagle Class	Alesha Carasco
Hawk Class	Irene Ngugi, Thea Jennings, Kyla Sinclair, Sala Naiyaga and Riley Reith-Van Beers
Merlin Class	Soraya Scott
Kestrel & Harrier Class	
Falcon Class	Keresi Sauliga
Osprey Class	Ashton Tamang & Esmae Williams
Owl Class	Arthur Baldry

Kestrel and Harrier Egyptian Day

As a school we believe that children learn best if they can have some form of first hand or sensory experience. If we cannot take the children to Egypt the next best thing is to bring Egyptian artefacts into school along with a history expert to talk to the children.



Sea Eagle and Eagle Class - Evacuation Day



I was so impressed with the effort the children put into their evacuation costumes, it really did help set the scene for the day as the children left their classes to be selected by other adults in the school as evacuees. The children were given tasks and jobs around school to complete before returning to their classrooms to learn more about World War 2.

I would like to thank all parents for their support as such days make learning more memorable.

Class Curriculum Letters - <http://www.thorneyislandcps.org.uk/Curriculum%20Letters.html>

Class Curriculum Letters can be found at the link above. These contain information and links that will hopefully help you support your child with their learning.

Armed Forces Families Fund

I am pleased to inform parents that a bid to the Armed Forces Families Fund has been successful and as a result the school will be able to continue to provide individual support for children with delayed speech and language, train staff to deliver additional emotional support to vulnerable pupils and continue to employ a 'Drawing and Talking' Practitioner.

Along with this, the funding will allow the school to provide additional enrichment opportunities and to ensure the needs of children struggling with behaviour access the appropriate support in school. This funding will also provide additional time for staff to ensure military families are supported in completing any relevant paperwork so they can access the support they need.

This is a significant boost to the schools funding and will mean we will be able to maintain and enhance the support we are able to provide to the children at our school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank The Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust for their continued support of the children at our school.

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Sock Monkeys

Mrs Jackson would like to say a big thank you to all the parents and grandparents that have supported her with sewing in Sea Eagle Class. This has been much appreciated by both Mrs Jackson, Mrs Moss and the children.

SAT's Breakfast

I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Jones for organising breakfast each day for the children in Year 6 on the morning of their National Curriculum Tests. It was a very social and enjoyable start to the day ensuring the children were well prepared for the tests ahead. I would also like to thank all the staff that helped to serve the children and tidy up afterwards. There were far too many to mention them all as most dropped in to wish the children well.



King Charles II Coronation Picnic

A big thank goes to Mrs Jones for organising this event. I thought the children sang beautifully and I was so pleased that so many parents were able to join us. Torrential rain in Emsworth and glorious sunshine on Thorney Island. What more can I say!



RNLI

It was great to welcome Brian Masters from the RNLI to talk to all the children about 'Water Safety', especially considering that many families will be going on holiday shortly and that we live on an island surrounded by water. The talk was extremely interactive, as you can see from the photographs below. The children certainly learnt a great deal which was shown by how well they answered all of the questions at the end of the talk.



Sports Afternoon with Chidham Primary School

It was lovely to welcome Chidham Primary School to play sports at our school with Sea Eagle Class after they had both completed their Key Stage 2 SAT's. As always on Thorney the sun shone and the children had a great time showing true sportsmanship throughout the afternoon.



Owl Class meet the new Vicar from Sothbourne, Reverend Tom Robson

It was lovely for Rev Robson to meet Owl Class at the St Nicholas Church on Thorney Island and to explain to the children the main features of the church and their significance to Christians. Having greater links with both the Parish of Southbourne and the Padre is of great benefit to the school on so many levels.



Owl Class visit Staunton Country Park



The children had a fantastic day at Staunton Country Park. Mr Hallam was very impressed with the children's behaviour and all the excellent questions the children asked. The children certainly learnt a great deal about lots of different animals. I'm not sure I would have been brave enough to hold the Giant African Land Snake or the Hissing Cockroach!

Is your child moving schools?

We are now at the stage in the academic year that we are starting to think about class organisation for September. If you know your child(ren) will be leaving the school between now and the end of term (July) please let Mrs Jennings in the school office know. There is a lot of administration involved when a child moves schools and it really does help us the more notice you can give.

Year 6 visit the D-Day Museum



The children had a fantastic day dressing up and looking at a range of artefacts and relics from D-Day. The feedback from everyone has been so positive. Such visits really does bring learning to life and provides the children with such a memorable experinces.

Thorney v Southbourne



Our last game of the season did not go quite as planned but the boys showed great sportamanship and I would like to thank Miss Reeves and Miss Hubery for organising the game and to Soutbourne for hosting.

Dates for your Diary

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

Yours sincerely

Dean Clegg
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Thursday 25 May	Owl Class Bug Ball
Friday 26 May	INSET Day - children do not attend school on this day
Monday 5 June	INSET Day - children do not attend school on this day
Friday 9 June	Merlin Class Greek Day
Monday 12 June	Kestrel and Harrier Class visit to Butser Ancient Farm
Thursday 22 June	Hawk Class visit to Paultons Park
Monday 26 June	Last day of after school club
Tuesday 27 June	Locality Dance Festival
Wednesday 28 June	Sports Day, 1:15pm
Thursday 29 June	Owl Class Beach Party
Monday 3 July	Falcon Class visit to Longdown Activity Farm
Wednesday 5 July	Transition Day
Thursday 6 July	Open Evening, 3:15pm - 4.00pm
Friday 7 July	Area Sports
Monday 10 July	Start of Thorney Island Sports Week
Monday 10 July	BMX Day
Tuesday 11 July	BMX Day
Wednesday 12 July	Yoga morning
Wednesday 12 July	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday 13 July	Beach Day
Friday 14 July	Jolf Day
Friday 21 July	End of Term - Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 2.00pm

Term Dates 2022/2023

17 April 2023:	Start of Summer Term
01 May 2023:	Bank Holiday
08 May 2023:	Public Holiday - Coronation of HM King Charles II
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 26 May 2023
Monday 5 June 2023

Term Date 2023/2024

01 September 2023	Start of Autumn Term
23-27 October 2023	Half Term
15 December 2023	End of Autumn Term - Break up for Christmas Holiday
02 January 2024	Start of Spring Term
12-16 February 2024	Half Term
28 March 2024	End of Spring Term - Break up for Easter Holiday
15 April 2024	Start of Summer Term
27-31 May 2024	Half Term
23 July 2024	End of Summer Term - Break up for Summer Holiday