

Thorney Tribune

Thorney Island CP School

Newsletter No 3


November 2025

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Dear Parents, Governors and Friends

I hope this newsletter finds you well and looking forward to Christmas. This is often the busiest half term of the year in school so please make a note of all the important dates as it is not always possible to send out reminders.

STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

| 7 November | | | 14 November | | |
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| Owl Class | - | Piper Beard | Owl Class | - | Shania Vitalis |
| Osprey Class | - | Poppy Harding | Osprey Class | - | Alice Harper |
| Falcon Class | - | Adalind Anderson | Falcon Class | - | Imogen Lawes |
| Kestrel Class | - | River Sheehan | Kestrel Class | - | Emmie Williamson |
| Merlin Class | - | Cole Talbot | Merlin Class | - | Amelia Bent |
| Hawk Class | - | Alastair Hooley | Hawk Class | - | Nikola Waterman |
| Eagle Class | | Maisie Burton | Eagle Class | - | Edmund Bulmer |
| 21 November | | |  | | |
| Owl Class | - | Graycie-Maie Reynolds | | | |
| Osprey Class | - | Tristan Morgan | | | |
| Falcon Class | - | Isaac Francis | | | |
| Kestrel Class | - | Archie Burton | | | |
| Merlin Class | - | Alfie Lawes | | | |
| Hawk Class | - | Darcie Edwards | | | |
| Eagle Class | | Isabella Sawyer | | | |

Harvest Festival

I would just like to say a big thank you on behalf of Chichester Food Bank for your amazing contributions to our Harvest Festival. This will make such a difference to those that receive your donations and this generosity really helps to show the children how to make a positive contribution to the lives of others which is a key part of our Mission Statement.



The total weight of your donations was 225 kilos which is equivalent to providing 562 meals.

Wear It Wild Day - Merlin Class & Fairytale Dressing Up - Osprey Class

I would just like to say a big thank you for your support with this day. The children looked amazing!



Roman Banquet - Eagle Class



The children had a fantastic day although I'm not sure that many liked tasting the olives!

Superhero Day - Kestrel Class

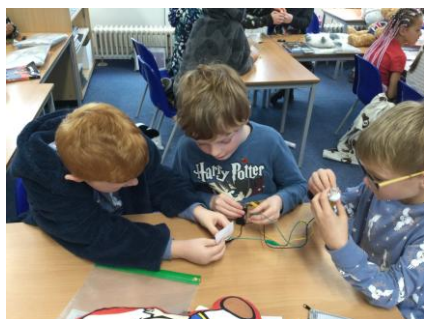


Eagle Class Visit Fort Nelson



The children had a fantastic time learning a great deal about the Roman Army, their weapons and how they lived.

The Lost Happy Endings - Merlin Class



Thank you for your support and in helping make the learning that goes on at school as memorable as possible.

Owl Class Cakes

The cakes the children baked were fantastic. The designs were outstanding, and the School Councillors had a very hard time deciding which was their favourite. In the end they felt that the owl design produced by Jessica Earles looked most effective. However, when it came to the taste test, they thought all of them tasted very good. My favourite was the treasure chest design, it tasted amazing. The School Councillors have never been so quiet whilst eating their cakes which is always a good sign. Well done to all of Owl Class.



Netball Tournament



The team played extremely well winning 3 out of their 4 games making them overall tournament champions. The teams taking part were Funtington, Westbourne and Thorney. Great sportsmanship was shown throughout with Thorney lending players to Funtington as they only had a squad of 6. I would just like to thank Miss Goss and Miss Hubery for helping to run the tournament and all the parents for their help with transport and their great support. This was much appreciated.

Play and Share - Owl Class

A big thank you goes to all the parents and grandparents who managed to make it to Owl Classes Play and Share session. It was much appreciated.



Thorney Trooper and Saltwater Creations



Some of our Thorney Troopers enjoyed a workshop with Juliet Stallard from Saltwater Creations. They talked about the benefits of enjoying the beach and the importance of keeping plastics and rubbish out of the sea. They painted pebbles, as well as having a go at surfing! This was supported using a grant provided by the Armed Forces Covenant.



**THE ARMED FORCES
COVENANT FUND TRUST**



**Ministry
of Defence**

Girls Football Tournament



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| Bosham v Westbourne | 0 - 1 |
| Funtington v Thorney | 0 - 3 |
| Funtington v Bosham | 2 - 1 |
| Westbourne v Thorney | 0 - 2 |
| Funtington v Westbourne | 0 - 0 |
| Bosham v Thorney | 1 - 5 |

The girls played extremely well winning all their games. Keira was the top goal scorer, but I was very impressed by how the girls played as a team with every member giving 100%. The sportsmanship displayed was excellent and commented on by everyone

Yours sincerely

Dean Clegg
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

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| 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 |
| 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 |
| 18 December | Christmas Parties |
| 19 December | Last Day of Term - break up for Christmas Holiday |
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| 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 | 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

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|---------------------|---|
| 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.