



Thorntree Primary School

September 2017 Newsletter



We hope everyone enjoyed their Summer break and would like to congratulate the children on a fantastic start to the new academic year.

Welcome to all of our new starters throughout Thorntree Primary School.

House Keeping

- Thank you for supporting our school uniform policy. The children are very smart and this has really made a positive difference in their attitudes and being ready to learn.
- Children must have the correct school uniform and PE kit. (Please call and ask for Mrs Cottle should you need advice or support with this.)
- Children and adults should not ride bikes or scooters on the playground.
- Smoking is not permitted on school grounds. (This includes E Cigarettes)
- Swearing is not permitted on school grounds.
- School starts at **8:50am**
- Our attendance target is 95.5%.

Thank you for your continued support.



It is hard to believe we have been back in school three weeks as already many exciting events have taken place. Year 5 came 3rd place in the Middlesbrough Schools Plate football tournament, Year 2 have enjoyed a interesting visit to Raby Castle and Year 3 have explored 'from farm to folk' at Tesco.

Our first summer school was a success with 37 children attending.

Thanks to your generosity, at the end of last term, we raised £142.00 for the Bradley Lowery Foundation and this term £133.50 for Jeans for Genes day.

Play Ground update.

Sadly our new play equipment was unable to be installed over the 6 week break as planned. The work will begin this week. As the children will be in school during some of the work, the company will put up heras fencing between the building work and child accessible areas. This will ensure safety at all times. We hope the work to be completed and in use by the children by 9.10.17



Key Dates/Events

- Monday 26th September – European Day of Languages
 - Thursday 28th September—Y6 Visit to Eden Camp*
 - Thursday 12th October— Last week of after school clubs
 - Friday 13th October, 2:15pm—Y2 Parent event, Bridge Building
 - Monday 16th October, 1:30pm—Y3 Parent event. Jamie Oliver Cookery, Main Hall
 - Monday 16th October, 1:15-2:15— Y4 Parent event. Potion making.
 - Monday 16th October, 11am & 3pm—Nursery event, Learning Journey sharing.
 - Wednesday 18th October—Halloween disco*
 - Thursday 19th October, 2:15— parent event, Harvest Raffle & Coffee afternoon.
 - Wednesday 8th-10th November— Y5 Carlton residential
 - Wednesday 13th December—Christmas Lunch & Christmas Fayre
 - Thursday 14th December—Interim school reports.
 - Thursday 14th& 15th December KS1 & FS Christmas Performance, times TBC
 - Monday 18th & 19th December KS2 Christmas Performance, times TBC
 - Wednesday 20th December KS2 visit the pantomime*
 - Thursday 21 December— Christmas Parties*
- *Children who are on behaviour support card two will not be permitted to attend the starred events.



What is the Rights Respecting Schools Award?



The Unicef UK Rights Respecting Schools Award (RRSA) supports schools across the UK to embed children's human rights in their ethos and culture. The award recognises achievement in putting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) at the heart of a school's practice to improve well-being and help all children and young people realise their potential.

The award is based on principles of equality, dignity, respect, non-discrimination and participation. The initiative started in 2006 and schools involved in the award have reported a positive impact on relationships and well-being, leading to better learning and behaviour, improved academic standards and less bullying.

Last year, we achieved our level 1 award.

This year, we will work towards our Level 2 award.

Is your child eSafe?

In an age of rapid technological advancement you may often feel like your child knows more than you do! However, as a parent/carer you have every right to question and monitor your child around their online activity.

We would like to emphasise that many (seemingly) age-appropriate sites and apps may have hidden facilities of instant messaging and/or tracking technology. Please **do always ensure** that you are in control of your child's Internet access and that you are always aware of all aspects of their online activity outside of school.

For more information visit -

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

Thank you to all of the parents and carers that attended our Welcome meetings last week. The meetings had a real positive atmosphere and we hope you are feeling more informed about the coming year. If you have any questions or worries about your child's education; please don't hesitate to make an appointment with their class teacher.



The governors, staff and children of Thorntree School would like to give our condolences to the family of Jordan Seddon, an ex pupil who has tragically passed away.



Autumn Term After School Clubs

Please note; Clubs are free of charge to attend. If your child misses three sessions within a term they will be removed from the register and their place will be allocated to another child. Children who have behaviour chart 2 will not be allowed to attend. Don't forget to bring your Children's University passport.

There will be no after school clubs 19.10.17



Club Title & Location	Year group/s	Day	Time	Adult/s	Collection Point
Digital Leaders, ICT Suite	Year 6	Thursday	3:00pm — 4:00pm	Mrs Young, Mrs Marshall	Year 5/6 Door
Homework Club, Year 5	Years 3,4,5,6	Thursday	3:00pm—4:15pm	Mr Johnston	Year 5/6 Door
Homework Club, Year 2	Years 1, 2	Thursday	3:00pm—4:00pm	Mrs McDonagh	Year 3/4 Door
KS2 Sports Club, Lunch Hall	Years 4,5,6	Thursday	3:00pm – 4:15pm	Miss Gregson	Main Office
Maths Club , Y4 Classroom	Years 3& 4	Thursday	3:00pm – 4:00pm	Mr Foster	Year 3&4 door
Netball, Main Hall	Years 3,4,5,6	Thursday	3:00pm—4:30pm	Miss Tupling / Miss French	Main Office
Gardening club, Outdoor Classroom	Year 5	Thursday	3:00pm – 4:15pm	Mrs Nottingham	Main Office
Breakfast Club, Lunch Hall	All Years	Everyday	8:10am—8:40am	Mrs Fryett	Year 3/4 Door

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Or our fantastic website: <http://www.thorntreeschool.co.uk/website>

