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# **School News**

# **Weekly Attendance**

Class R - 96.92%

Year 1 - 100%

Year 2 - 96.00%

Year 3 - 99.00%

Year 4 - 98.52%

Year 5 - 98.97%

Year 6 - 99.41%

# **Crossing Patrol**

Apologies but there will not be a crossing guard on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

We would appreciate it if parents would avoid standing by the crossing area so that children and traffic can be seen by our crossing guard. Thank you.

# **Upcoming Events**

# **Reading Open Morning**

School will be open on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November - 9am to 9:30 - so that parents can experience some of the ways that we teach reading through school. Please make your way to the school hall at 9am where refreshments will be served. Mrs Brown will let you know when the classrooms are open.

# **Class Events**

Both Class 3 and 6 were out on trips on Monday — school was very quiet ③. Class 6 visited Crucial Crew which is organised by South Yorkshire Police and aims to support the children in making the right choices and keeping themselves safe. Class 3 visited Cresswell Crags and found out more about the stone age to complement their learning in this topic.

The children's behaviour on both trips was excellent and they learnt a lot from these experiences.

Wonderful Wednesdays in class R started this week; the children loved getting their wellies on and participating in lots of outdoor activities.

A special mention goes out to all our children for getting involved in Children in Need today. We are especially proud of our year 6 pupils for all their efforts in organizing the events. Thank you and well done.

#### **School News**

#### Children in Need

Year 6 did a fantastic job of organising this great fundraising event. Pupils from all classes enjoyed sporting and creative activities as well as a delicious treats. Thank you to everyone for all your support - this is such a worthwhile cause. We will let you know how much we have raised when we have a final total.

#### **Modeshift Stars**

We are continuing to work towards the bronze award from Modeshift STARS with a range of active travel and cycling related events.

Pupils from classes 1 and 2 participated in a learn to ride session with Dave Atherton this week and it really helped them to become more confident on their bikes. Well done!

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November there will be a 'Lights on Bike' day for all our Year 5 and 6 pupils. The event will see lights fitted on all bikes that are cycled to school free of charge.

Don't forget to put our Singing Santa Stroll on the morning of the last day of term in your diaries. Approximately a third of the school joined in our last led walk... let's make it more next time. This also coincides with Christmas Jumper Day.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Book Sale**

We are holding a book sale after school on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November and would be grateful for donations of any good quality books. Proceeds will go to purchasing additional reading books for school.

#### **Christmas Concert**

The choir has been invited to sing with Thurgoland Community Choir at Holy Trinity Church on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7:30. Tickets will be on sale shortly.

#### Lego

We would be grateful for donations of unwanted sets of complete Lego. Thank you.

### **PFSA News**

# Christmas Fayre Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November in the school hall

This will be a great way to get us in the festive spirit and an opportunity to do some Christmas shopping. Our wonderful choir will also be performing at 4pm and 5pm.

We are still looking for more volunteers and would also be grateful for donations of empty jars, bottles of alcohol, raffle prizes, home-made cakes and toys and books.

# Clubs

# Monday:

Dodgeball for Year 3/4 Monday break times – Mr Jordan

# **Tuesday:**

Multi-skills - year 2

Art and craft – year 5 and 6 – Rosie Pearsall. There are still places available – please contact the school office if your child is interested in joining.

# Wednesday:

8 – 8:45 – hockey- Year 5 Mrs Barton Yoga club for year 4 starting on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

# Thursday:

8 – 8:45 – hockey - year 6 Mrs Barton Cheerleading – Miss Lane - up to Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – cheerleading competition is on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Choir – Mrs Davies School band- Mrs Lee

# Friday:

Musical Theatre - Team Activ year 2 to 6

# **Sheila's Sporting News**

Well I'm sure you don't need me to tell you what amazing sports' superstars we have in our school, but I'm going to do it anyway!

We've had another terrific week with our youngsters beginning on Friday when over 20 children from Years 3,4,5 & 6 represented Thurgoland in the School Games Cross Country Qualifying event at Cannon Hall. This was a showcase event for some of our top runners and was a team event, so all placings were added together and the lowest scoring team qualified. This being so, we still had some runners from our younger classes who held hands all the way round and enjoyed the scenery! So be it Our older runners gave very impresssive performances with classy, paced running ensuring that Y6 girls' team gained Silver and Y6 boys Bronze. Well done to everyone!

On Monday Y3 & Y4 took part in a Sportshall Athletics competition at PGS. They all performed brilliantly and came away with Gold. Fantastic! Massive thank-you yet again to the parents, grandparents and guardians who went along to support our little athletes and it certainly boosts their spirits at the end of a long day. Thank you too for those of you who became photographer, scorer and helpers! Much appreciated. Mr Jordan took a mixed boys/girls football team to Springvale on Tuesday where they competed in a friendly match. Their enthusiasm was amazing and sportsmanship impeccable! Great ambassadors for Thurgoland School as always, and their behaviour particularly impressed the headteacher at Springvale! Again our youngsters are playing well as a team and this showed with an overall win of 5-3. You are right guys n gals to be very proud of yourselves. We are proud too.

Our early morning hockey clubs are continuing to be popular and both Y5 and Y6 teams are developing skills and tactics which they will keep forever.

On Friday we are again back at Cannon Hall, this time with the finalists of the Individual Cross Country Competition and I have no doubt that our runners will excel. They are truly amazing runners and we wish them well in this event.

Every child in school has the opportunity to compete in a sports' event and by doing so become part of our fabulous TEAM THURGOLAND. You are all truly wonderful.