

# Thurgoland

Church of England Primary School



Learning together in Faith and Joy

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### School News

#### Weekly Attendance

Class R – 98.8%

Year 1 - 98.7%

Year 2 – 97.3%

Year 3 – 95.3%

Year 4 – 95.6%

Year 5 – 96.6%

Year 6 – 95.6%

#### McMillan Coffee afternoon

It was great to see so many families and friends in school last Friday enjoying a cuppa and a cake and spending some time in the classrooms with the children - we had lovely time!.

Thank you so much for all the donations of delicious buns and cakes and to everyone who came along to support us .Thank you also to Class 6 for running the event (with a little help from Mrs Stacey and Mr Jordan) and we raised £319.75 for this fantastic charity.

#### Parents Evening Appointments

Letters for appointment times were sent out yesterday. Please return the slip with your preferred time/day by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October.

#### Individual Photos

The children will be having their photographs taken on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October. Please return the request form as soon as possible.

#### Armistice Day Art

Remembrance Day is approaching soon and we are desperate for donations of plastic bottles for our art work– please wash them and place them in the collection bin in the shed in the walled yard. Thank you.

Well done to the following pupils who received a Special Mention certificate in assembly today:

Class R – Emily, Olivia, Harper, Maisie

Class 1 – Mason, Amy, Taylor, Frankie

Class 2 – Elsa, Kris, Rocco, Arthur G

Class 3 – Alex, Oscar, Olivia, Brad

Class 4 – Alexis, Molly, Oliver, Grace

Class 5 – James, Nancy S, Lucas, Olivia

Class 6 – Caleb, Millie-Ann, Katherine, Ben

### Upcoming Events

#### E-Safety workshop for parents Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm

Apologies but due to unforeseen circumstances E-safety week will now run from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. The children will learn about e-safety throughout the week in lessons and it will also be the theme in assemblies.

A **parent workshop** will be held in the school hall at 6pm on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November**; we would be very grateful if you could attend. Teachers will also be receiving e-safety training during the week.

#### Harvest Festival

We are celebrating Harvest Festival on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October with a special assembly in church for our pupils. At this time of the year we encourage the children to be thankful for all they have and to show consideration for those who are not so fortunate. We would like to collect items for the local foodbank this year and would be grateful for donations of canned goods and dried foods. These can be brought to school on the morning of the 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

### **New Parents Open Morning**

School is open from 9 – 10:30 on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October for prospective parents and members of the community. Mrs Brown will deliver a presentation about the school followed by a tour led by some of our wonderful pupils. Please spread the word to friends/ family members who might be interested in experiencing Thurgoland School life.

### **10 Day Active Travel**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October marks the start of this year's challenge, when pupils are encouraged to walk, run or scoot to school for 10 consecutive school days. There are prizes for everyone who completes the challenge so please join in and get active!

### **Thrive for Parents**

#### **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 3:30 – 4:30**

School staff will be on hand to give further information about the Thrive programme. Please come along to learn more about this approach.

### **PFSA News**

#### **Thurgoland School Fashion Show**

A fund-raising fashion show for women and children's clothes is being held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018, 6pm – 7.30pm in the school hall. Tickets are £3 including a hot/cold drink. Children's tickets are 50p. Payment for clothes can be by cash or card.

We are grateful that we have so many children who have volunteered to model for us - could they please arrive at school 5:15 to prepare for the show. Thank you.

### **Sheila's Sporting News**

The school term moves forward along with the enthusiasm and progress of our young sports superstars. Each hockey club session, although in progress by 8 am, is filled with wide-awake youngsters demonstrating skills learned, enthusiasm and the occasional (!) banter, but most of all happy children... and very happy ME.

These club sessions not only teach the children sports' techniques to advance them in the games but also teaches how to work together as a team, to develop co-operation, understanding and empathy towards one another.

### **Sheila's Sporting News continued...**

This helps your children to grow as young people both mentally and physically. I see a great improvement in their attitudes to one another as well as seeing their confidence get stronger week on week. I am so very proud of them.

On Wednesday we had 2 new players, Rafe and Adam, who although not previous hockey players, very quickly slotted into the team showing skill and aptitude alongside more seasoned players. Of course they were welcomed into the team by everyone.

Well done Team Thurgoland.

During our club some early arriving parents and pupils stop and watch alongside the very junior members of pre-school and judging by the comments made we already have a budding hockey team for 2027! Hmm?..

Excited and scared at the same time.

On Monday teams from Y3 and Y4 took part in a Multi-skills competition at Penistone Grammar School which they all thoroughly enjoyed. Although tired after a day at school, they each gave a very good performance and behaved brilliantly. Fantastic effort from both teams and a HUGE thank you to all those who offered transport and support.

It is so encouraging for the children to see you all there watching and it gives you the opportunity to know a little more of what your offspring are up to.

Next Monday it is the turn of Y1 and Y2 to take part in a similar competition and I know they are looking forward to it very much. We wish them well.

On Wednesday we will be taking, by coach, a much larger group of children who will represent the school at Cross Country. This is always a much-loved - and much feared (unnecessarily so) - competition. As ever, they will do us proud. Go Team Thurgoland !