

# Thurgoland

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Learning together in Faith and Joy

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### School News

#### Weekly Attendance

Class R – 96.15%

Year 1 - 98.37%

Year 2 – 93.75%

Year 3 – 95.83%

Year 4 – 92.59%

Year 5 – 96.55%

Year 6 – 94.85%

#### E-Safety Workshop

We are grateful to the parents who attended the sessions on Wednesday, and the feedback from them was very positive. Thank you also to the parents who emailed school about this subject.

The children have learnt a lot about keeping themselves safe this week, and we will continue to make E-safety a regular theme in lessons and assemblies. Further information for parents will follow.

#### Upcoming Information Sessions for Parents

##### Learn to Ride Sessions for Class R and 1 Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Please see the letter which has gone out today in children's bags.

##### Thrive for Parents

##### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Find out more about this approach during an information session to be held on in the school hall from 3:30 to 4:30.

##### Year 6 Parents' Information Evening

##### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm

Please come along to find out how we can work together to prepare our children for SATs and the move to secondary school.

##### 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.

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

Class R – Violet, Adam, Madeleina, Sophie

Class 1 – Harry, Ella, Brody, Ollie

Class 2 – Emmie, Dominik, Tegan, Poppy

Class 3 – Emily, Millie, Samuel, Olivia

Class 4 – Jownai, Ewan, Bruce, Ava-Lily

Class 5 – Scarlett, Charlie, Jake, George

Class 6 – Aaron, William, Florence, Evie

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#### New Reading Books

Thank you so much to parents and the PFSA for funding the purchase of new reading books. The children are really enjoying them.

Could we please ask that books are not placed in bags along with water bottles - several rather soggy books have been returned to school this week.

#### Armistice Day Art

Poppies made by our talented children are now being displayed outside both the church and school. We hope you agree that they look wonderful and are a fitting way to mark the centenary of Armistice Day.

#### Remembrance Day Service Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

**November** The service in church starts at 10am followed wreath-laying at the war memorial at 10:50.

#### Children in Need Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Our year 6 pupils will be planning a range of activities as usual for Children in Need next week. The theme is SPOTACULAR And the children can come to school in something with spots or stripes for £1. Please send your child to school with some additional change as they will all have the opportunity to participate in fun games for a small charge during the afternoon.

### **Book club orders**

The children will be bringing a book club catalogue home this week. Please return any orders by 16<sup>th</sup> November. Orders can be collected from the office.

### **PFSA News**

#### **Bags to School**

Bags are being collected on Tuesday 13th November. Please leave your bags in the shed in the walled yard on the morning of the 13<sup>th</sup>.

If you can't find your bag then you can use a bin liner instead. Items that can be included are : men's, ladies' and children's clothing, paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around), handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties, jewellery, lingerie, socks, belts, household linen, curtains, towels, bedding.

#### **Clubs**

##### **Monday:**

Dodgeball for Year 3/ 4 **at break times** – Mr Jordan

##### **Tuesday:**

Multi-skills - year 2

Art and craft – year 5 and 6 – Rosie Pearsall

##### **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**

Our return to school after half-term has seen a change in the weather but definitely no change in the enthusiasm of our emerging hockey teams.

On Wednesday we had 13 Y5 pupils, a great mix of both boys and girls, who turned up bright and early in very wet and windy weather to learn how to take their game to another level. They played with spirit and good humour. It's a joy to see just how far they have come since September, playing well both individually and as a team.

Having played in many different positions each child is now confidently finding just where he or she is best placed on the pitch.

Such is their maturity within the team. Thursday's club for Y6 will no doubt follow suit.

I am really proud of each of our superstars as they go from strength to strength.

On Friday we shall again take a coach of children to Cannon Hall where they will take part in the qualifying Cross Country competition of The School Games. The finals take place in a mini Olympic-styled event at the end of the school year in Sheffield. We wish them well as in addition to it being a challenging run, the weather does not look very favourable.

After school on Monday a selection of our pupils will take part in another Sportshall Athletics event at Penistone Grammar School, an event which is always enjoyed by everyone.

Good luck also to our mixed boy/girl football team who will be playing a match away from home at Springvale Primary School on Monday. Again many, many thanks to all you wonderful parents, grandparents and guardians who help with transport to these events; I know you enjoy seeing just how talented our young sports stars are; they too are thrilled to have your company. Team Thurgoland keep flying the flag; you are amazing !