



Thornton Primary School

Newsletter

Welcome Back

Welcome back to a new school year and, in particular, a very warm welcome to our new children in Reception, Hazel Class, who have made a fantastic start. We couldn't be prouder of how well they have settled in and how quickly they have begun to learn their new class and school routines. We have also welcomed several new children into other classes, who have already made new friends and thrown themselves into school life. This year, we have also welcomed several new teachers to Thornton Primary. Miss Taylor and Mr Glynn are now full-time in their teaching roles, while Mr Huntington and Mrs Jones have joined us from teacher training and a previous local school respectively. We hope they all settle into our school and have a happy, successful and supportive year with us.

Forest School

Forest school sessions for this half-term are as follows:

Hazel Class: Wednesday mornings with Mrs Brocklehurst. Willow Class: Monday afternoons with Mrs Brocklehurst. Maple Class: Tuesday afternoons with Mrs Shaw. Oak Class: Thursday afternoon with Mrs Shaw. Rowan Class: Friday afternoon with Mrs Shaw.

Maple, Oak and Rowan Classes will alternate each half-term with Beech and Sycamore Classes. This will mean Beech and Sycamore Classes will not have Forest School this first half-term back. The day and time of Beech and Sycamore Classes' sessions for after half-term will be shared nearer the time.

Working Together

We are incredibly grateful to have such supportive parents and carers at Thornton Primary School. The trust you place in us to educate, support and care for your children is something we value enormously. Sadly, towards the end of last year, there were a small number of occasions where interactions between parents and staff were not appropriate, including instances where a member of staff was subjected to verbal abuse. This is not acceptable and does not reflect the overwhelmingly positive relationships we have with our wonderful parents and carers. We fully understand that, from time to time, concerns or issues may arise and we are always happy to listen and work together to resolve them. However, it is important that any concerns are raised respectfully and in the appropriate way. Thank you for your continued support.

Enrichment Fridays

Starting next Friday, all of our children will have the opportunity to take part in **Enrichment Friday**. This is a chance for children to choose an activity they enjoy, with options ranging from sports and computing to chess, arts and crafts and much more. Each teacher will run a different activity during the final 30 minutes of the day, giving the children the opportunity to enjoy a fun, relaxed and positive finish to what will have been a busy week.

Enjoy the chance to relax after getting back into the school routines. Have a great weekend
Mr Ashcroft, Headteacher



Dates for your Diary

School closes for half-term **21/10/2026 3:15pm**
 School reopens **02/11/2026**
 Parents' Evening **10/11/2026 and 11/11/2026**
 Hazel, Willow and Maple Classes Christmas production
15/12/2026 at 1:45pm and 5:15pm
 School closes for the Christmas Holidays **18/12/20 at 1:30pm**
 School reopens **04/01/2027**
 School closes for half-term **12/02/2027 at 3:15pm**

School reopens **22/02/2027**
 Parents' Evening **02/03/2027 and 03/03/2027**
 School closes for the Easter Holidays **25/03/2027 at 3:15pm**
 School reopens **12/04/2027**
 School closes for half-term **26/05/2027 at 3:15pm**
 Sports Day **24/06/2027**
 School reopens **07/06/2027**
 School closes for the Summer Holidays **20/07/2027 at 1:30pm**



Below are the details of this half-term's clubs. The last clubs will take place week 12t October.

Willow Class	Art & Craft each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Taylor Tri-Golf each Thursday, 8-8:45am with Mr Sharp
Maple Class	Art & Craft each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Taylor Tri-Golf each Thursday, 8-8:45am with Mr Sharp
Oak Class	Board Games each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mrs Jones Dance each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Gardner Tri-Golf each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mr Sharp
Rowan Class	Board Games each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mrs Jones Dance each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Gardner Tri-Golf each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mr Sharp
Beech Class	Board Games each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mrs Jones Dance each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Gardner Tri-Golf each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mr Sharp
Sycamore Class	Board Games each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mrs Jones Dance each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Gardner Tri-Golf each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mr Sharp
The Orchard	Board Games each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mrs Jones Dance each Wednesday, 3:15-4:15pm with Miss Gardner Tri-Golf each Thursday, 3:15-4:15pm with Mr Sharp



Our first Certificate Assembly of the year is on Friday 18th September at 9am. If your child has been awarded a certificate, we will email you the Monday before to invite you attend, if you are able to.

What we are learning about this term Foundation Subjects

Hazel Class	Me and My Family. Superheroes
Willow Class	Great Fire of London. And Local Area Study
Maple Class	Remembering local soldiers and Zambia.
Oak Class	Stone Age to iron Age and Climate Zones
Rowan Class	Migration and Rivers
Beech Class	Maya Mountains.
Sycamore Class	Guy Fawkes. United Kingdom
The Orchard	Rivers

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