9th February 2024



It was lovely to meet with the School Council this week and hear all their great ideas about how they would like to improve our school. We had suggestions on provision, equipment and a KS2 healthy snack shop, watch this space!

We have bulbs popping up all around the school, it is a very positive feeling to know that Spring is on the way. I think we are all looking forward to some sunshine and warmer days.

Come and Join in takes place on Tuesday morning, we are looking forward to seeing you all at **9.10am** where you will have the opportunity to join in with your child/children's learning

<u>FOTS Events</u>...more information coming soon.... 6th March – Wonka Golden Tickets for World Book Day! 8th March – Mother's Day Secret Shop 21st March – Bag2schools

Class News

Holly Class – Holly class have been learning all about Beach Huts as part of our Design and Technology topic.

We had great fun building a design from lolly sticks and this week the children have started their big builds from wood.

Each child had to measure out the correct lengths for the sides and using a saw cut their wood. They were very careful, and no fingers were lost! Looking forward to doing their mitre joints next week.

Oak Class - This week the children have been learning how to weave. This is linked to their DT topic 'Warp and Weft'.

The children loved the activity and enjoyed seeing the other children's work.

We plan to add shapes to our weaving next week!

Willow Class – Willow Class have continued their Science investigating this week with a lesson on air resistance. We built parachutes, changing one variable for each. We changed: the string length, canopy material and the canopy size.

It was very evident that the larger canopy had much better air resistance to enable the parachutes to fall at a slower rate.

WORLD BOOK DAY

On **6th March** we will be celebrating World Book Day. To mark this day, the children may come to school dressed in pyjamas or something comfy and cosy.

During this special day the children will be participating in lots of exciting activities linked to reading, listening to stories, and having hot chocolate.

Use your £1 World Book Day token to get a FREE book! Book tokens will be sent home with your child on 6th March. Please use the following link to find out more about how to get your free book. <u>https://www.worldbookday.com/books/</u>

Dates for your diary...

Mon 12th February – Year 6 Trip to Hartismere (D&T lesson)

Tues 13th February – Come & Join in session, all classes – 9.10am – 10am

Tues 13th February – Mrs Walls' Homework Club, 3.15-4.15

Mon 19th – 23rd Half Term

Weds 6th March – World Book Day – Dress up in your PJ's!

WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR STORY!

If you or your family went to Thorndon Primary School in the last 150 years, we want to hear from you!

Treat Friday -

FOTS will be back selling Friday Treats after school from tomorrow. A 6week card is available on SumUp (https://friends-ofthorndonschool.sumupstore.com), or you can pay as you go by cash each week.



Did you know FOTS have a new email address....

Please contact us using our new email address: fots@thorndonprimary.org.uk

Find out all the latest news and information and exciting events we are planning on our Facebook Page. Join us – Friends of Thorndon Primary School.

We are always looking for new ideas and new helpers!



You can check if your contact details, child's permissions, account balance, book clubs via the Parent Portal on Arbor.

You should have received a welcome email from Arbor to log on to the Parent Portal. Please check you can log in and access all your child's information.

If in doubt, or to tell us of any changes to your personal details, call the office on 01379 678 392 or email: <u>office@thorndonprimary.org.uk</u>

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Ms Hannah Meadowcroft.

Alternative DSL – Mr Daryl Jones and Mrs Bell-Tye

Our Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Pattenden.

Please report any safeguarding concerns to a member of the team: via the school office or by telephoning 01379 678392.

If you need to contact your child's teacher directly you can do so via the **class** email addresses:

Mrs Walls: willow@thorndonprimary.org.uk

Mrs D'Souza: oak@thorndonprimary.org.uk

Mrs Bell-Tye: <u>holly@thorndonprimary.org.uk</u> SENDCO – Mrs Bell-Tye: <u>Sendco@thorndonprimary.org.uk</u>

For anything else, please contact the office: office@thorndonprimary.org.uk

Remember to like and share our X (formally known as Twitter) and Instagram pages for regular updates from all our classes. We are @PrimaryThorndon



Dear Parents/ Carers, Did you know you can follow all the latest news about the All Saints Schools Trust on Xr: <u>https://mobile.twitter.com/allsaintsmat</u> Please follow us as we will be posting latest news and celebrating the successes of our wonderful schools! Melanie Barrow- CEO

Have a fantastic weekend everybody, thank you for your support. As always if you need anything at all then please come and see me, my door is always open.

Hannah Meadowcroft