



# THORPEDENE SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ACHIEVING, CARING AND RESPECTING WITH CONFIDENCE

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We have had another fantastic week at Thorpedene, filled with fun learning experiences and positive attitudes from our children. Our playleaders have been working exceptionally well, providing support and a range of activities for our younger year groups during lunchtimes, including the setting up and monitoring of an assault course! We may have some future Teachers in the making! Their enthusiasm and commitment to the role has been amazing.



We celebrated the Year 3 Harvest Festival with a wonderful performance this week and we are so proud of the children and, in particular, the increased number of Parents/Carers attending. It was a joy to see their hard work come together in their energy and excitement! A huge thank you to all the staff involved in putting together the whole Harvest Festival.

I would like to share a personal thank you to all the Parents and Carers for your generous donations towards the Harvest Festival. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps our chosen charity HARP.

Sadly, at the end of this half term, we will be saying 'goodbye' to Mrs Edwards. She has been very supportive of our school and children over the years and we wish her well in her new venture,

*Mrs. Frost*

### OUR VISION

At the beginning of the year, we reviewed our previous vision and values statement. These statements are written on the school's website and should set out what they are trying to achieve for their children.

Working with the entire staff, we thought about what happens inside (and outside) our classrooms and all that we are so proud of here and created the following:



**'Achieving, Caring and Respecting with Confidence'**

*Our community is rooted in the core values of Achieving, Caring, Respecting with Confidence. We believe in every child's potential, adapting to their needs and providing the support and encouragement they need to succeed.*

*We are dedicated to fostering a nurturing environment where students learn responsibility, aspire to their best, and overcome challenges. Our goal is to empower students with the confidence and resilience to achieve success, while showing respect and care for others within our school and the wider community.*

This will replace our previous vision statement on our website and in our classrooms; we believe that this perfectly encompasses what the school sets out to do for the students and the wider community.

*Mr. Hamilton*

Deputy Headteacher

### LET'S CELEBRATE!



#### THORPEDENE STARS THIS WEEK

TALULA IN - 6M - FOR BEING AN EXCELLENT PLAYLEADER AND CARING FOR OUR LUNCHTIME EQUIPMENT AND HAVING CONFIDENCE TO SUPPORT THE YOUNGER CHILDREN AT LUNCHTIMES.

MAVERICK IN 4H FOR ACHIEVING SO WELL IN HIS CURRENT WRITING, PARTICULARLY WHEN PRODUCING HIS NON-CHRONOLOGICAL REPORT ABOUT THE RAINFOREST.

KAIA IN 3W FOR DEMONSTRATING SUCH CONFIDENCE IN HER MEETING THIS WEEK.

RACHAEL IN 6S FOR IMPRESSING AND SHOWING CONFIDENCE WITH HER ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE.

**CARING**  
**RESPECTING**  
**ACHIEVING**  
**CONFIDENCE**

### GET SOCIAL!

CLICK ON ICONS TO ACCESS  
OUR INSTAGRAM/TWITTER!





# WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON?

A big thank you to all our parents for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend our first stay and play. It was lovely to see so many of you and the children also had an amazing time learning with you!



3S have been using the computer suite to research facts about a chosen animal, ready for their non chronological report writing next week.



This week Year 4 have been roleplaying explorers from the Amazon rainforest. We have been researching and presenting our most interesting rainforest facts.



We have been lucky enough to be awarded a grant from Tesco, for fresh fruit and vegetables for pupils. This will ensure that all children across the school have the option to have a fresh snack every day! This will help promote healthy eating across the school and ensure pupils are fuelled for learning.

### ACCELERATED READER

Well done to the following students for being the top word readers over the last two weeks!

Aayliyah (1N), Darcy, Evalynn (3BLG), Isabel (3S), Aemelia (3W), Sophia-Rose (4B) Cassius (4C), Dityaa, Lacey (4H), Arie, Lewis (5N), Belle, Ava (5W), Theo, Rafferty (6M), Alexandra, Scarlett (6S), Loar, Eshaal (6SR)



### WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT BEDBUGS?

We are aware of a rise in bedbugs in the local community and have received information for parents/carers from the Health Team in Southend. Please click on the link below to find out more:

[Bed bugs and kids: A guide for parents - CHOC - Children's health hub](#)

We do not allow any toys or equipment to be brought into school - please only send your children in with their coats and bags with lunch boxes and reading books in.



## ATTENDANCE

MATTERS AT THORPEDENE!



Huge Congratulations to 5W for 100% attendance – fantastic achievement!

Also to 1N, 4C, 6M, Puffins, 2D and 3S for an amazing attendance of for all reaching the national attendance target!

Which class will get 100% next week?

Class	%
5W	100%
4C	98%
6M	98%
Puffins	96%
1N	96%
3S	96%
2D	96%
3W	95%
4B	94%
4M	94%
5N	94%
3BLG	92%
2A	92%
6S	90%
6SR	88%
Swans	87%
<b>Total</b>	<b>94.6%</b>



## CONTACT US



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# HOW WE'VE BEEN HELPING OTHERS



Over the last seven days, we as a school have raised money for Young Minds by holding our 'Hello Yellow' day and also donated lots of food to Harp to use at their Bradbury Day Centre to help those in need in our community. Thank you for your kind donations.



### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



*There is nothing in a caterpillar that tells you it's going to be a butterfly*





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## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

**STUDY SMART** Learning Solutions

spire Education ncfef cache Education & Skills Funding Agency

**Fully Funded School Support Course**

**Available in Levels 1, 2 & 3**

\*Please go to our website for more detailed information.

**6 Week Course Mon - Fri Daily sessions**

1st session 9:30 - 11:30am  
2nd session 12:30 - 2pm

[www.studysmartuk.online](http://www.studysmartuk.online)

**CHALKWELL PARK TENNIS OPEN DAY**

FREE TENNIS FOR ALL LEVELS AND ABILITIES

**SUNDAY 27TH OCTOBER, 9.00 - 12.00pm**

[clubspark.lta.org.uk/SouthendParksTennis](http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/SouthendParksTennis)

Southend on Sea City Council SOUTHEND PARKS TENNIS

**HALLOWEEN SOCCER SCHOOLS**

MIXED SESSIONS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK, AS WELL AS OUR GIRLS ONLY SESSION ON FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER!

28TH OCTOBER - 1ST NOVEMBER

GARON PARK CLEMENTS HALL

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK YOUR SESSION!

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR BOOKINGS, EMAIL: [tennis@southendccf.co.uk](mailto:tennis@southendccf.co.uk)

Thorpedene Primary School & Nursery

**EYFS PROSPECTIVE PARENT SESSIONS**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2.15pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm

Contact us to book your place  
[office@thorpedene.safed.co.uk](mailto:office@thorpedene.safed.co.uk)  
07703 518225

If you have a child due to start Reception in September 2015, we invite you to come along and find out about our school and meet our staff.

*Attending, talking, respecting with confidence*

**DAISY FIRST AID**

**FREE**

Dads' Club: First Aid Training for Dads

**Thursday 17th October 7:00pm-9:00pm**

SAVS, 29-31 Alexandra Road, S83 1BW

Are you an expectant dad, or have a child under 4? Join us for an evening with award winning "Daisy First Aid Southend" for 2 hours of Family First Aid. A session specially designed for parents to give confidence to know what to do in an emergency involving your baby or child.

For more information or to book your space:  
Contact Sam on 07951 078862 or email [spoolley@savs-southend.co.uk](mailto:spoolley@savs-southend.co.uk)

This session is for expectant families and/or families of cores of 0-3 year olds living in 6 wards across Southend. Visit the ABS website to check your area: <http://www.absouthend.co.uk/locations/>

SAVS

EVERYONE WELCOME  
FREE ENTRY!

**JEM'S ARTISAN COMMUNITY Arts & Craft FAIR**

Raising money for Thorpedene PA & Little Haven's Hospice

**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL 10.00 AM - 2.00 PM**

HANDMADE CANDLES, GREETING CARDS, WOODWORK, BESPOKE JEWELLERY, CROCHET, RESIN, DOG TREATS, 3D PRINTS, CERAMICS, LOCAL HONEY & LOTS MORE!

Church Rd, Shoeburyness, Southend On Sea, S83 9EU  
Refreshments tea, coffee & cakes available

OVER **20** LOCAL ARTISAN VENDORS

SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER  
SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER  
SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER  
SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER

For more information please contact [byjems@yahoo.com](mailto:byjems@yahoo.com)





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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT
23 October	2A Class Enrichment Session (9.05am)
24 October	Year 6 Coffee Morning (9.00am - 9.30am)
05 November	EYFS Prospective Parent Session (2.15pm)
06 November	6M Class Assembly (9.05am)
06 November	Parent Consultations (3.45pm - 7.00pm)
11 November	Parent Consultations (3.30pm - 5.30pm)
13 November	6SR Class Assembly (9.05am)
14 November	EYFS Prospective Parent Session (6.00pm)
15 November	Children In Need
15 November	EYFS/Year 1 Explore with Me Session (2.15pm - 3.15pm)
20 November	4B Class Assembly (9.05am)
27 November	4H Class Assembly (9.05am)
10 December	Nursery Nativity
11 December	EYFS/KS1 Christmas Dinner
12 December	KS2 Christmas Dinner
16 December	Years 3 & 4 Carol Concert at St Augustine's Church
17 December	Years 5 & 6 Christingle at St Augustine's Church
17 December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity (am)
18 December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity (pm)





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## THORPEDENE PARENT ASSOCIATION

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Thorpedene Parents Association needs you!

We are looking for enthusiastic parents and carers to join our new PA team..

Do you have spare time to help us run events?

Would you like to help us raise funds to support your children and the school?

Do you have previous PA experience and have ideas to share?

If so please send us an email with your details to - [thorpedenepa@outlook.com](mailto:thorpedenepa@outlook.com)

We can't wait to hear from you.



Let's Join Us!

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**FRIDAY TUCK  
+ TREATS**

FRIDAY'S AFTER SCHOOL  
STARBOARD PLAYGROUND  
(WEATHER PERMITTING)

SNACKS AND DRINKS AVAILABLE  
FROM 2.30P - 4.00P  
CASH ONLY

Join us for a  
**Spooky  
Disco**

STARBOARD HALL  
MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER  
EYFS/YR1/YR2 16.00-17.00  
YR3/YR4/YR5/YR6 17.30-18.30

**£3 PER TICKET - INCLUDES A  
SNACK & A DRINK**

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM A PA  
MEMBER OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL OFFICE  
BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL  
(LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE)  
TICKETS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

TUCK SHOP AVAILABLE  
ITEMS FROM 20P - £1

wear your scariest costume!  
PLEASE ENSURE FANCY DRESS IS AGE APPROPRIATE!

