



# THORPEDENE SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ACHIEVING, CARING AND RESPECTING WITH CONFIDENCE

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We are well and truly in the Christmas season this week!

Our children in Nursery had great fun performing their festive songs to their parents/carers on Tuesday and they did a tremendous job singing and dancing - its hard to believe some of them are only 2 years old!

We have also had our Christmas dinner days which were a huge success with lots of children enjoying their Christmas dinners with crackers, music, laughter and of course some super Christmas jumpers! Our catering team worked so hard producing so many Christmas dinners as did the staff who were serving the children, thank you to everyone who helped!



As we approach the end of term we will be saying goodbye to some staff members. Mrs Hasan will be leaving us as she has relocated out of the area and Mrs Gomez has sadly said goodbye to Thorpedene after many years of working in our Office. Mrs Marsh will also be leaving us after 20 years of supporting our children, including seeing her own children grow as pupils in our school! We would like to wish them all the best in their new ventures and thank them for their commitment to supporting our families over the years.

Following feedback from children, parents/carers and staff we are further developing our recognition of children who consistently demonstrate our Core Values of Achieving, Caring, Respecting with Confidence, and have implemented our Thorpedene Elite programme along with a special half termly celebration event with the members of our Senior Leadership Team.

### *Mrs. Frost*

A cheeky elf has been sneaking into 1N each night and chopping up the children's work! This means they have had to work really hard at putting their letters together again!



Meanwhile, in the Music room, the elf has been CANducting his own choir after hours!!



The Anti-bullying group have been making cards for the Experience Project who provide us food each week.

EH4CP have been on site supporting a range of pupils each week.



### LET'S CELEBRATE!



THORPEDENE STARS THIS WEEK

ROMMIE IN 6M FOR BEING **CONFIDENT**  
IN SHOWING **RESPECTFUL** BEHAVIOUR  
AROUND THE SCHOOL

NYLA IN 6SR FOR CONSISTENTLY  
SHOWING **RESPECT** TO HER PEERS ON A  
DAILY BASIS! A CREDIT TO THE SCHOOL.

IYQ IN 2D  
FOR **ACHIEVEMENT** IN WRITING.

RILEY IN 4C FOR HAVING **CONFIDENCE**  
AND **ACHIEVING** IN HIS LEARNING AT  
SCHOOL AND BEING AMAZING.

# CARING RESPECTING ACHIEVING CONFIDENCE

### GET SOCIAL!

CLICK ON ICONS TO ACCESS  
OUR INSTAGRAM/TWITTER!





# WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON?

## SPORTS UPDATES

On Wednesday afternoon, our Year 3 and 4 football team travelled to Hinguar for a SECAT league match. Despite playing well and arguably being the better team for long spells in the match, the team narrowly lost 2-1.



Huge well done to: Freddie, Owen, Gage, Jensen, Kaylen, Jayden, Jack, Reggie and Illinois for representing the school impeccably.

Thursday saw our Year 5 and 6 team travel to the same school for their fixture. Fortunately, they were able to get a little bit of revenge for us and dominated the game, winning in style, the eventual score was 5-0 to Thorpedene!

Huge well done to Callan, Loar, Riley, Mylo, Barnaby, Harry-Jay, Jamie and Modebayo - what an achievement and what a result!



At the end of November, Miss Price took the Year 3 & 4 dodgeball team to Garons to compete against other schools in the borough. The children showed great team spirit and we look forward to going back next year to compete again.

The Year 5 & 6 girls competed in an all-girls Benchball competition last week. They were undefeated in the five games they played winning overall! Huge congratulations!



Our KS2 children have been spreading the Christmas joy, singing festive favourites to the patrons of the Cliffs Pavilion in their café area last week and at Waitrose this week.

Our KS1 and KS2 Christmas dinners were enjoyed by staff and students this week as our amazing kitchen provided almost 900 lunches for Thorpedene and Bournes Green. There were lots of smiles, laughter and Christmas singing as the children tucked into their festive fayre! Thank you to all the staff who organised, cooked and served and cleaned!



SWANS: Nevaeh-Rose. 1N: Ruby-Rose. 2A: Henry.

2D: Maicey-Ava. 3BLG: Darcey. 3S: Skyla. 3W: Aemilia.

4B: Nirvana-Jai. 4C: Lilly-Rose. 5N: Dallas. 5W: Alex. 6M: Lenny. 6S: Alexandra.

6SR: La'ren.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



*I breathe in confidence and exhale fear!*



## ATTENDANCE

MATTERS AT THORPEDENE!



HERE EVERYDAY READY ON TIME

Congratulations to 2A for 98% attendance and 1N for reaching the national attendance target of 96%

Class	%
2A	98%
1N	97%
5N	95%
3W	94%
6SR	94%
4H	94%
4B	95%
6S	92%
Swans	92%
3S	92%
6M	92%
5W	88%
2D	87%
4C	86%
3BLG	82%
Puffins	74%
<b>Total</b>	<b>91%</b>

H.E.R.O.s

Here, Every day, Ready, On time

Remember: Any child who gets 100% attendance this half term can earn a 100% attendance badge



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## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

**Havens Hospices**

Every volunteer Making every day count.

### Could you give the gift of time?

We're looking to recruit volunteers in a number of areas to help us make a difference to the adults, children and young people we care for.

From helping in the bistro or garden to volunteering in our shops, we have a wide range of opportunities to choose from. Find out more at [havenshospices.org.uk/volunteering](http://havenshospices.org.uk/volunteering) or scan the QR code opposite.

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# FIREESTYLE

performance troupe AGES 4 - 18

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**DRAMA**

**STREET DANCE**

PLACE AVAILABLE AT THESE LOCATIONS:  
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**SOUTHEND**

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FACILITIES INCLUDE:

CAFE, ARTS & CRAFTS, TABLE TENNIS, TABLE FOOTBALL, AIR-HOCKEY, CHESS, JIGSAWS, GAMING, LEGO, SMALL GARDEN, BOARD GAMES, TOYS & BOOK EXCHANGE.

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 TWO ACCOMPANYING ADULTS FREE, £2 PER ADDITIONAL DUE TO CAPACITY

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- charity & first time discount available

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- table tennis
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EVENINGS, WKENDS & HALF TERMS WE ARE THE PLACE WHERE 8-12 YR OLDS & THEIR ADULTS HANG OUT.





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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT
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)
20 December	School closes at 1.00pm

