# Thornton Times





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13/09/2024

Hello everyone

Thank you to all those parents/carers who were able to join the parents welcome meetings for Years 4 and 6 this week. Please don't worry if you were unable to attend, we have emailed you a copy of the information shared. We look forward to welcoming parents and carers next week from Year 3 on Wednesday at 9am and Year 5 on Thursday at 9am.





Well done to 4NG and 4AA who have successfully started their swimming lessons this week for the first half of the year! 4SH and 4TW will be going swimming from the end of February for the last half of the year. We are hoping everyone will be really confident in the water after their sessions.

September

Thornton's Musical Word of the Month

pitch: how high or low a musical note is



We are also excited to share that this year we will again have whole class musical instrument lessons for year 3! Classes 3SQ and 3MJ will be learning how to play the guitar, whilst 3GJ and 3ST will be learning how to play the steel pans. We can't wait to enjoy their performances later in the year! Mr Jones, our Music Lead, is also introducing a musical word of the month for us to learn. This will appear every month in our newsletter so we can grow our knowledge and understanding of musical words.

And finally, please can you continue to support our local community in trying to save our valuable local library — there is an in-person consultation at Ward End Library on Wednesday 18th September from 3 to 4.30pm. Please attend to show your support if you can, and ask your neighbours to go too!

Have a great weekend everyone!

Cathy Grace, Headteacher



# Get ready for Photography Day on

Tuesday 17/09/2024 at Thornton Primary School

Look out for the order form coming home with your child



www.schoolphotographs.co.uk



### **Attention all Year 6** Parents!

#### **Secondary Transfer 2025**

Applications for your child's secondary school place in September 2025 are now live on the following website:

https://

# www.birmingham.gov.uk/ school admissions

The online application is very simple and quick but if you need support completing the form please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

Headteacher - Mrs Cathy Grace Deputy Headteacher - Mr Mason Assistant Headteachers – Mrs Biddle-Rawbone and Mrs Ma Chair of Governors—Mr Amjid Ali



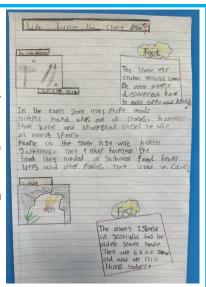
Thornton Road Ward End, Birmingham B8 2LQ O121 327 O824 enquiry@thornton.bham.sch.uk



#### Year 3

This half term, the children have been focusing on the 'Stone Age' period for their History topic. They have produced some amazing homework! Some children used their creative side and created spears and cave paintings, whereas, some children used the internet to research interesting facts about the Stone Age.

The teachers have been really impressed with those children who have already completed their creative homework – well done from the Year 3 team!









# Year 4

This week in **PSHE**, children in Year 4 have been reflecting on their personal achievements. Through discussions, children have been able to identify their own strengths and areas for improvement. They have all set new high aspirations and goals for Year 4. Please ask you child what they want to achieve in Year 4... and work with us to encourage them to be successful!











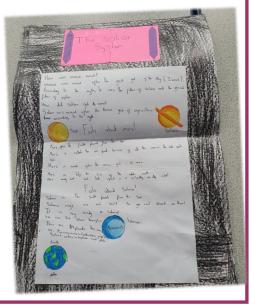
Year 5 teachers are amazed at the fantastic creative homework some of the children have already brought into school!

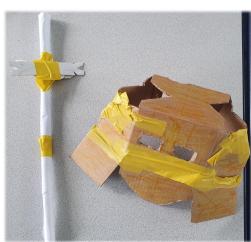
Our Science focus this term is **Earth and Space** and Hafsa (5TR) made a fantastic poster to inform us all.

We are also learning about the Anglo Saxons. Shifa (5TR) created a beautiful 3D model of an Anglo-Saxon church. Zaki (5BA) made a sword and helmet. Many children have created fact packs as well.

Great start to the school year, Year 5!







# Year 6

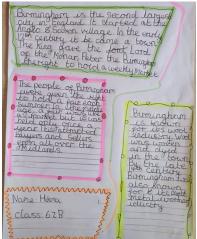
This term, Year 6 will focus on the topic of **Victorians**.

Well done to all the pupils who have brought in their creative homework so far.

Pupils have shared some wonderful work that they have

researched and created during the holidays.







Homework has included reports about the Victorian Britain, glossaries, artwork and models of inventions that were first introduced during Queen Victoria's reign.







# **Asda Rewards**

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Shop in store across Asda and

Rewards app Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select

'Schools in Need'.

Download and sign up to the Asda

George, or online at Asda.com Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and

Asda does the rest

The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.

Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.

In a game changing new campaign, fronted by Joe Wicks, the supermarket is offering to donate 0.5% of the value of any shop done at Asda until 30th November 2024 to customers' primary school of choice – when they shop using Asda Rewards.

The supermarket is kicking off each school fund with £50 and offering to top up with an extra £1 for every customer that selects their school.

Please download the ASDA Rewards app and search for the school postcode - B2 2LQ in the app.

#### **School Attendance**

# **Class Attendance**



Our school attendance last week was 91.9%

Well done to classes **4AA**, **5ST**, and **5BA** who achieved our school attendance target of 97% and above for the last week!



# Dates to remember

Wednesday 18th September 9-9.45am — Year 3 Parent Welcome Meeting

Thursday 19th September 9-9.45am — Year 5 Parent Welcome Meeting

Tuesday 17th September — 3ST & 3MJ Outback to Basics trip

Tuesday 17th September - Individual pupil photos

Friday 20th September — 3GJ & 3SQ Outback to Basics trip

Tuesday 24th September — 5BA & 5ST National Space Centre Leicester trip

Wednesday 25th September — 5TR & 5ZY National Space Centre Leicester trip

Wednesday 2nd October - 3.45-6.15pm — Parents' Evening

Friday 4th October - Year 6 Black Country Museum trip

Wednesday 9th October— 3.45-6.15pm — Parents' Evening

#### **PE TIMETABLE**

Monday 16th September Year 4

Tuesday 17th September
Swimming for 4NG and 4AA.
4NG MUST be in school
for 8.25am

Wednesday 18th September Year 3

Thursday 19th September
Year 5

Friday 20th September Year 6

Please remember to send your child to school with a waterproof coat that has their name written inside, thank you!

Names on jumpers and cardigans are also very helpful for reuniting these with their owners! Thank you!

# ARTICLE OF THE WEEK





Education Must
develop every child's
Personilly, talent and
ability to the full.
It must encourage
the child's respect
for human rights, as
well as respect for
their parents, their own
and other cultures and
environment.

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The goal of education

At Thornton Primary School we embrace Article 29 by:

- · Supporting health and wellbeing
- Understanding human rights
- Providing a safe space
- Treating everyone as an individual
- Providing access to music, art and sports
- · Giving pupils a voice
- Encouraging friendships
- Taking part in trips and clubs

By Hikma and Salahuddin

Headteacher - Mrs Cathy Grace Deputy Headteacher - Mr Mason Assistant Headteachers - Mrs Biddle-Rawbone and Mrs Ma<del>zar</del> Chair of Governors—Mr Amjid Ali

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