



# The Thornton Times

## Sladefield, Welcome to Year 3!

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A very warm welcome to all our families that will be joining us in September, we cannot wait to meet you all and start getting to know you.

Our teachers will be making visits to Sladefield to get to know the children and the children will come across and visit Thornton to explore the school and find out more about us.

Over the next few weeks we will be adding information to our school website, [www.thornton.bham.sch.uk](http://www.thornton.bham.sch.uk). You can find newsletters, videos and PowerPoints. Keep checking regularly!

We look forward to meeting you all soon.



Hello everyone

I am Mrs Grace, the Headteacher, and I am excited to welcome you and your child to Thornton Primary School in September! I believe in developing strong, positive relationships with the children, parents and carers so that everyone feels part of our **#thorntonfamily**. I am pleased that there will be lots of familiar faces, as well as new ones, and I am keen to meet you and talk with you.

You can find me by one of the school gates at the start and end of every day so please come and say hello! I would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that we fully understand the anxieties of both children and adults when starting a new school, and have an open-door policy that means a member of staff will always be available to make sure you receive a warm welcome and feel fully supported.



Take care, and see you soon!

Welcome,

My name is Mr Mason, the Deputy Headteacher, and I am proud to work at Thornton. Like Mrs Grace, I look forward to meeting you all. I am passionate about learning, in particular maths, geography and reading. Like Mrs Grace, I too can be found at the school gate at the start and end of the school day, so if you have any questions please do not hesitate to find me and ask.



## Important Dates

Below are some important dates over the next few weeks for you to put into your diaries.

### Admissions Contact Form

Returned by **Friday 14th June**

### Transition Morning - Children only

**Wednesday 3rd July**

**IMPORTANT**  
**dates to remember**

### Transition Information Afternoon with Parents (you will only attend one afternoon)

*(You will receive a separate letter to show the date you will visit Thornton with your child)*

**Tuesday 9th July 2024 1:30-3pm**

**Admin morning 9-10am (catch up contact forms and medical needs)**

**Thursday 11th July 2024 1:30-3pm**

**Admin morning 9-10am (catch up contact forms and medical needs)**

### First Day Back

All school children start school on **Tuesday 3rd September.**

### Transition Page on the School Website

On our Thornton website we have added a new '**Transition Page**' on our **Parents** section. On this page of the website you will find information about your child's transition to Thornton in September:

- Curriculum
- Uniforms
- School lunches
- PowerPoints to show your children
- CREATIVE homework for your children to 'have a go' at over the summer holidays.



Start of day

**8.30am**

End of day

**3.30pm**



### **School Dinners and Parent Pay**

In September your child may not be eligible for free school meals automatically. We will ask you to complete a contact form and we can find out for you.

We are a cashless school and we use parent pay for school trips and school dinner payments. If you are eligible, your child will get free school meals and the school will also receive extra funding too. All parents will be issued with a parent pay account in September.

Our food is all cooked in house and we use halal certified suppliers. We have a variety of theme days throughout the year and our menu reflects this such as; Eid, Chinese New Year and Bastille Day. So tasty!

