



# THORPEDENE SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## ISSUE 21 : 1 MARCH 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of the entire staff at Thorpedene, I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable February half term. We are delighted to welcome the children back to school for what promises to be another exciting and productive term.

This term, we have a variety of exciting events and activities planned, including World Book Day 7th March and Mothers Day Sale on the 8th March! Keep looking at Newsletters as there's lots on there.

As always, we value your continued partnership in your child's education. We encourage you to communicate with their teachers regarding any questions or concerns you may have. You can reach them through email, phone, or by scheduling a meeting.

We look forward to working with you all this term to ensure a successful and enriching learning experience for your children.

Finally, I would like to thank and give a special mention to Mr Miles. The Year 2 Storytelling trip to Stratford was facing cancellation. Mr Miles came into the office and paid for 10 children to go making sure that the trip went ahead. If it wasn't for his kind generosity, the trip would have been cancelled.

*Mr. Martinson*



EYFS enjoyed their police visit as part of their 'People Who Help Us Topic'. The children asked the police officers lots of good questions, tried on some of their uniform, and even got to sit in their police car!



Year 1 have enjoyed the start of their 'Traditional Tales' topic. They started to explore some stories and enjoyed creating fairytale castles. They combined Art and Maths to mix colours to create a colourful background and then use 2D shapes to build a castle shape to draw and cut around. Their Castle pictures look magical!



Year 4 have been immersing themselves in French culture this week. In a cross-curricular lesson, the children ordered a jumbled recipe, translated it into English from French, then made crêpes and of course, taste tested them too!

### LET'S CELEBRATE!



#### THORPEDENE STARS THIS WEEK

MARGOT	SWANS
FAITH	4B
HUNTER	6N

#### COMING UP NEXT FRIDAY...

*mother's  
day*  
**SALE**  
*Friday 8th March*

CHILDREN WILL BE ABLE TO PURCHASE A GIFT FOR THEIR MOTHER/CARER DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

#### ALL ITEMS £2 EACH

Please send money to school in a sealed envelope with child's name and class written on the front

Children will only be able to purchase one gift each.

### GET SOCIAL!

CLICK ON ICONS TO ACCESS  
OUR INSTAGRAM/TWITTER!



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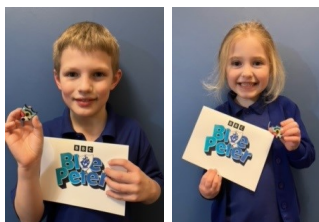
## WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON?

Year 5 and 6 had a go at planting some raspberry canes and rhubarb with TrustLinks this week... We're looking forward to tasting them!



Alex and Emma in Year 4 and EYFS respectively, earned the latest Blue Peter sports badges! They now have a combined 5 BP badges between them!! Amazing stuff!

Please send in the amazing things your children do and achieve outside of school, we'd love to hear about it!



### SIGN OF THE WEEK



OCEAN

Both open hands move apart in front of body while making a wavy motion.



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT
4TH MAR	EYFS 'EXPLORE WITH ME' SESSION - 2.15PM-3PM
6TH MAR	1W CLASS ASSEMBLY - PORT HALL - 9.05AM
7TH MAR	WORLD BOOK DAY - COME DRESSED UP AS A CHARACTER FROM A STORY BOOK!
8TH MAR	EYFS READING BREAKFAST - 8.30AM-10AM
13TH MAR	3G CLASS ASSEMBLY - STARBOARD HALL - 9.05AM



[Full Calendar Here](#)

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*I believe I can succeed in anything  
I set my mind to!*



### ATTENDANCE

MATTERS AT THORPEDENE!

# HERO

HERE EVERYDAY READY ON TIME

Congratulations to 5H and 3C who have reached Thorpedene's and the national attendance target of 96%

Class	%
5H	97%
3C	96%
4B	95%
2A	95%
6F	94%
1W	93%
6N	93%
1N	92%
2D	91%
5S	91%
3G	90%
2S	89%
5M	89%
6S	88%
4K	88%
3S	88%
4M	84%
Puffins	83%
Swans	78%
Total	90.7%

### How much education is your child missing\*?

Descriptor	Threshold Attendance	Actual Attendance	Whole Days Absent	Learning Hours Lost
Excellent	100%	190 days	0	0
	99%	188 days	2	10
	98%	186 days	4	20
Good	97%	184 days	6	30
	96%	182.5 days	7.5	37.5
	95%	180.5 days	9.5	47.5
Cause for concern	94%	179 days	11	55
	93%	177 days	13	65
	92%	175 days	15	85
Unsatisfactory	91%	173 days	17	105
	90%	171 days	19	125
	89%	169 days	21	145
Serious cause for concern	88%	167 days	23	165
	87%	165 days	25	185
	86%	163 days	27	205
Critical	85%	161.5 days	28.5	225
	84%	159.5 days	30.5	245
	83%	158 days	32	265
	82%	156 days	34	285
	81%	154 days	36	305
	80%	152 days	38	325

\*Figures based on 190 (whole year) expected attendance

### CONTACT US



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## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

**WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH 2PM-4PM**

**JOIN US  
FOR THE THORPEDENE  
COMMUNITY FAIR**

Public Health England  
ASDA COMMUNITY  
Southend Carers  
HOME START Essex  
citizens advice  
ATF  
SECH SOUTH ESSEX COMMUNITY HUB  
JUST RIDE SOUTHEND  
Southend adult community college  
yoga4all  
everyonehealth  
wellbeing@garonpark  
TrustLinks  
SAVS

**SHOWCASING SUPPORT TO ALL SOUTHDEN FAMILIES**

HOUSING / HELP WITH BILLS / HEALTH & WELLBEING  
EXTRA-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES / SEND SUPPORT  
SUPPORT FOR CARERS AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

**STARBOARD PLAYGROUND/HALL**

**We now have hard copies of the  
Little Wandle Books for each  
child in EYFS**

**8th March  
8.30am- 10.00am**

**READING  
BREAKFAST**

JOIN YOUR CHILD IN THEIR CLASSROOM AFTER  
SCHOOL DROP-OFF

**SPRING  
COMMUNITY  
DAY**

[www.garonpark.com](http://www.garonpark.com)

**Wednesday 10th April 2024  
12:00pm-4:00pm**

Garon Park are holding a Spring Community Day for all the family. There will be many different activities available on the day such as:

- Enchanted trail and quiz
- Soft archery
- Planting activities
- Sunflower challenge
- Splat the rat
- Limbo
- Hook a duck
- Community stalls

There will be a small fee for entry and refreshments on site but all these funds go straight back into the Wellbeing at Garon Park charity for future projects and events.

Scan our QR code to visit the ticket website and book your tickets today!! <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DCHN>

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COMMUNITY TRUST

wellbeing@garonpark

**STARSPO RTS  
AND SOCCER**

**EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB & SPORTS CAMP  
AT GREAT WAKERING PRIMARY ACADEMY**

2<sup>ND</sup> TO 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: 9 FUN PACKED DAYS FOR YOUR CHILDREN!

**\*\*\*INDIVIDUAL DAYS CAN BE BOOKED\*\*\***

FOOTBALL - NERF - ARTS & CRAFTS - MULTI SPORTS - LEGO - BASKETBALL  
GYMNASTICS - TENNIS - BADMINTON - CRICKET - ROUNDBALLS - HOCKEY  
DODGEBALL - ATHLETICS - HANDBALL - DANCE & MUCH MORE!

**WEEK ONE: TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> TO FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
**WEEK TWO: MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> TO FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

9AM-3PM: £12 PER INDIVIDUAL DAY FOR ONE CHILD & £90 FOR THE FULL 5 DAY WEEK PER CHILD  
HALF DAY BOOKINGS ARE £12.00 PER CHILD (ANY 3 HOUR SLOT FROM 9AM-3PM)

PRE-BOOKED EARLY STARTS & LATE FINISHES ARE AVAILABLE BETWEEN 8.15AM AND 4.30PM AT A RATE OF £5 PER 45 MINUTES PER CHILD. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION & COSTS.

**Sibling Discounts per individual day 9am-3pm: £26 for 2 siblings and £50 for 3 siblings**

- ✓ 9AM TILL 3PM: CONTACT US FOR THE EARLY START & LATE FINISH OPTIONS (8.15AM-4.30PM)
- ✓ OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 5-12 YEARS OLD. CHILDREN MUST BE DRY.
- ✓ CHILDREN AGED 13+ CAN APPLY TO BECOME A 'HELPER'. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO.
- ✓ INDIVIDUAL DAYS CAN BE BOOKED & OUR CLUB RUNS EVERY SCHOOL HOLIDAY
- ✓ FULLY QUALIFIED, INSURED, DBS CHECKED, FIRST AID TRAINED & EXPERIENCED STAFF
- ✓ SAFE, FUN & WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT IN A SECURED VENUE
- ✓ PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE NUT & SESAME SEED FREE. PLEASE ENQUIRE FOODS ARE FREE OF ALL TREE NUTS, PEANUTS & SESAME SEEDS.

**All attending should bring:** A packed lunch with water bottle, any medication needed (asthma pump, EpiPen etc. and please send us the full details of any medical conditions or needs we should be aware of), waterproof jacket, trackuit & trainers (football boots are optional).

**Address:** Great Waking Primary Academy, High Street, Great Waking, Southend-on-Sea, S53 0EJ

**Payment Details:** Please use 'SW' followed by the FULL NAME of the child as the payment reference and please TEXT us the exact reference used once the payment has been made. Thank you.

**Bookings:** To book places or if you have any questions or queries please contact the Star Sports team:

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