



# Thorverton C of E Primary School

## Newsletter

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9<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parents,

### From Mr Jolliffe

This morning we have seen the sun for the first time in three days in Dorset! All the Year 5 children have been fantastically well behaved and coped very well with the bad weather. We have been Roman children for an afternoon, had a barbecue and camp fire, made shelters and clay models as well as eating lots! It has been a real pleasure to be with the Year 5 children over the last few days and I hope they have enjoyed their time away as much as I have. The Year 6s are off to Grenville House in Brixham today and I will be joining them on Sunday and Monday. That concludes the residential visit programme for this year but if you have any feedback about the different visits, do let me know via the school offices so that we can take this into account when planning next year's visits.

### From Mrs Parkes

#### Year 5 Residential

We have had a fantastic two days at New Barn, finding out about Romans and Celts and how to make butter, poultices and mosaics. We visited a long house and heard stories about the Roman invasion. Although it rained on Thursday, we still had a full day outside measuring the flow and depth of the river and looking to see what creatures lived there. Later we built shelters, made clay sculptures and found out lots about 'bygones' (tools and ancient contraptions). The evening's campfire barbecue and disco have been a great hit and we have all had a great time at the swimming pool, finishing it off with a shopping trip and beach picnic at Lyme Regis today.

#### Grenville House Residential Visit, 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Year 6 set off for Grenville House in Brixham in high spirits. Children will be back before the end of the school day in all three schools. If the coach is delayed, staff will let the school offices know and an email or text will be sent to all Year 6 parents to let them know when they expect to be back at school.



#### Top Table

This week Jess, Olivia G., William F., Archie W., Olivia K. and Erin enjoyed their lunch at Top Table in the company of Mr Martin.

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### **Road Safety and Parking**

Parents please take care when parking near school. Villagers have reported to us that some people have been parking in potentially dangerous positions near the pub, causing problems for other cars and pedestrians. The car park at the top of Bullen Street is only a couple of minutes' walk from school and the Memorial Hall committee kindly allow parents to use their car park before and after school. Please use these facilities!

### **Musical Assembly**

Mrs Kershaw's recorder, piano and keyboard pupils will be giving a short concert in assembly on Wednesday morning, 14<sup>th</sup> June, at 9am. Parents of those children who will be playing are welcome to join us.

### **Parent Questionnaire**

Many thanks to all the parents who took the time to complete the Parent Questionnaire recently. Your responses and comments will be analysed shortly and the leadership team and governors will be looking at these in readiness for next year's Federation Development Plan.

### **PTFA News**

#### **School Summer Fair, Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June 3:30-6:30pm, School Field**

All welcome! Please come along and join in the fun and support the school. If you would like to help in advance, we are collecting toys and books, yummy cakes to sell and raffle prizes. If you would like to help on the day to run a stall, set up/clear up we'd love to hear from you. Please leave any donations for the stalls in the school office. Thank you for your support.

### *Collective Worship Dates*

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| Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> June, 3pm | Year 5 residential assembly |
| Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 3pm | Year 6 residential assembly |
| Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 3pm | Class 1 assembly            |
| Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July   | Leavers' service in church  |

### *Diary Dates*

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| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June | Year 6 residential to Grenville House, Brixham   |
| Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June                         | Bag 2 School collection  |
| Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 3.30-6.30pm            | PTFA Summer Fair   |
| Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> June, 3pm                 | Class 3 open afternoon   |
| Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June                         | Class 3 disco TBC  |
| Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July                      | Last day of summer term  |
| Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September                    | First day of autumn term (Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> September is a non-pupil day)            |
| Mon, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct – Weds, 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov | Half-term holiday (Mon & Tues, 30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct are non-pupil days) |
| Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December                     | Last day of autumn term  |

With best wishes,  
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