



# Thorverton C of E Primary School

## Newsletter

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8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents,

### From Mr Jolliffe

Welcome to the second half of the summer term! This week seems to have flown by as all the children have settled back so quickly and adapted back into school routines. For the children of Newton St Cyres, of course, this has been a memorable week with the opening of the new school on Station Road and this has been very exciting indeed. Just as exciting for Year 4 has been leaving from there on Wednesday for their residential visit to New Barn Outdoor Centre in



Dorset. With lovely weather to enjoy there, the children have had a great time, undertaking a wide range of activities from learning to march like a Roman army to measuring river flow with corks. I thoroughly enjoyed the 24 hours that I had with them and look forward to hearing all about the second half of the visit on their return. Many thanks as ever to Mrs Parkes for organising the visit and for all the staff who gave up their time and sleep to be with the children.

### From Mrs Parkes

We have had a really busy first week back at school after the half-term break. Classes 2 and 3 have got their new topics off to a flying start with a Superhero Day and a Mexican Day. Year 4 have been on their residential trip, Year 3 have enjoyed a fun art workshop and the Year 6 children have been on a life skills workshop.

### Class 2's Superhero Day

Class 2 started their new topic with a Superhero Day on Tuesday. The children came into school dressed as their favourite superheroes and took part in many activities, including building a giant cardboard superhero and doing acts of kindness for people in the village.



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### Year 4 Residential



The Year 4 residential trip to New Barn, near Dorchester, has been a great success.



The children have had fun learning about the Romans, investigating all about rivers, doing team activities, with a session of swimming and a browse through the shops of Lyme Regis on the way home. They have also enjoyed getting together with the other children of their age from across the Federation. Parents are welcome to come along to the Year 4 residential assembly and hear all about the trip next Friday afternoon, 15<sup>th</sup> June, at 3pm.

### Year 3 Art Day

While the children in Year 4 have been away, the rest of the children in Class 2 had the opportunity to take part in an art workshop at the Memorial Hall with the other Year 3 children from across the federation. The workshop was entitled 'Heroes and Villains' and has been led by a local artist, Cara Roxanne. They have made some three-dimensional masks of their chosen heroes and villains.

### Class 3's Mexican Day

Today Class 3 have been finding out about Mexican culture and life. They have had fun cooking Mexican fajitas and nachos with guacamole, as well as making Mayan headdresses, doing Mayan art, dancing to Mexican music and playing pok-a-tok.



### Year 6 SATs Party

Yesterday Year 6 were able to have fun and let their hair down to celebrate having finished their SATs tests. They spent the day on the field playing games, having a barbecue and having fun with water pistols!

### Year 6s at a Life Skills Workshop



On Wednesday the children in Year 6 were given an insight into some life skills. Tiverton Police organised a series of workshops run by members of the fire service, the police, Western Power, and the RNLI to mention a few. They also learnt about healthy minds and the dangers of hoax calls. The morning was very informative and the children really enjoyed the sessions. Thank you to those parents who helped transport the children to and from Tiverton for the event.

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### Top Table

This week Ettie, Amelia, Louis, Zac M, Ollie H and Spencer enjoyed their lunch at Top Table with Miss Holmes.



### Peanut Allergy

We have a child in school with a peanut allergy, so we would ask you please not to provide your children with any snacks or packed lunch items containing nuts of any sort. Thank you for your understanding.



### Scarlet Fever

We would like to let you know that we have a case of scarlet fever in school. The first signs of scarlet fever can be flu-like symptoms including a high temperature and swollen neck glands. A rash on the body and a white coating on the tongue appear a few days later. This illness is very infectious and is usually treated with antibiotics.

### Finance Governor

An exciting opportunity has arisen. The Exe Valley Federation Governing Board has a vacancy for a Finance Governor on their Resources Committee. If you or someone you know is interested and would like to find out more, please contact the Chair of Governors, Jackie Enright, at [jenright@exevalleyfederation.org](mailto:jenright@exevalleyfederation.org). As governors, we aim to make a difference to every child.

### PTFA Social including a Buffet, Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

The PTFA are having a social evening on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June at the Thorverton Arms. Come along for a drink and a chat and find out a little bit about what the PTFA do. There will be a buffet!

### Family Service, Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> June

Everybody is warmly invited to come along to the family service in Thorverton Parish Church on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> June (Fathers' Day). The church will be open from 9.30am for refreshments and children's activities and the service starts at 10am.

### Rewe Village Fete, Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018, 12 midday to 4pm

A Viking Re-enactment Society will be giving a display of Viking life and battle tactics at Rewe Village Fete on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> June. Go along and have fun finding out more about the Vikings!

## Collective Worship Dates

Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2pm

Leavers' Service in the Church

## Diary Dates

**Please note the change of dates for the Key Stage 2 production and Sports Day**

Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June      Year 6 residential to Grenville House, Brixham

Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 3pm      Year 4 residential assembly

Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, evening      PTFA social evening, Thorverton Arms

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Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> July, 3pm	Class 1 open afternoon and assembly
Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> July, 3.30 – 6pm	PTFA summer fair
Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> July, 2pm	Key Stage 2 production
Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July, 6.30pm	Key Stage 2 production
Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm	Sports Day
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm	Reserve Sports Day
Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school trip
Thursday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July, 4.30 – 6pm	PTFA end-of-term barbecue on the school field

## *Term Dates*

### **Summer term 2018**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May (SATS 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> May)

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July

### **Autumn term 2018**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October (Staff Development Day 3<sup>rd</sup> September)

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December (Staff Development Days 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October)

### **Spring term 2019**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February (Staff Development Day 7<sup>th</sup> January)

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April (Staff Development Day 25<sup>th</sup> February)

### **Summer term 2019**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May (SATS 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July

With best wishes,

*Sarah Parkes*

Head of School

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