



## Our Values help us do the REST

# Thorn Primary School Newsletter



A MESSAGE FROM MISS LAWSON

SEPT/OCT 2019

What a first term! Visitors into school including mascots, SPFL Trust, football players and charities to name only a few. Visits out to the SECC to visit our very own Oor Wullie, journeying through to the Forth Road Bridge centre to take part in the STEM challenges and exploring and extending our science knowledge at the Glasgow Science Centre.

We have also celebrated some great achievements in September & October including our Rights Respecting Group Award and Sports Scotland Award. More details in our School Value sections.

We were delighted to welcome our families to our Meet the Teacher event giving you the opportunity to meet the team of staff working with our pupils. Thank you to all those who were able to attend.

Your views and feedback are very important to us at Thorn Primary. At our Parent's Night on the 14<sup>th</sup> November we would like you to give us your views or any feedback.



## RESPECT – Respecting your views and feedback

A special thanks to Mrs Morrison and the RRS Group for their efforts and leading our school to achieve our Silver Award.

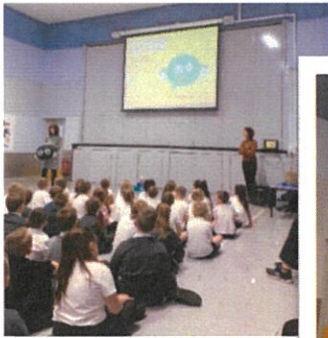


Steven Kidd from Unicef congratulated us on Twitter

"Congratulations to @ThornPriSch, awarded -RRSA Silver today! Some great practice on show across the school, but especially impressed by the breadth, depth and impact of #pupilvoice."



## EQUITY



### NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe.

We recently had a visit from NSPCC staff and their mascot "Buddy".

Pupils were given a talk and staff shared important messages in a fun and interactive way which helps children understand their rights and who they can turn to for help if they need it.

Thank you to our families for all your donations for our Harvest Service. The staff from the Renfrewshire Foodbank were very grateful for our collection, we managed to donate 183.14kg, an increase of almost 50kg from last year. This will provide and amazing 436 meals to families within the Renfrewshire area. Well done!!



# Success



Our christmas card design winners Lewis Henderson, Holly Hamilton and Brooke Lunney. Their designs have been made into official Thorn Primary School Christmas Cards to be sent to our local partners.



Thorn Primary Pupil Council



Thorn Primary have successfully achieved a Silver Sports Scotland Award.

The SportScotland School Sport Award is a national, Lottery funded initiative designed to encourage schools to continuously improve physical education (PE) and school sport opportunities.

The SportScotland School Sport Award:

- Encourages schools to self reflect and continuously improve
- Puts young people at the forefront of the decision making and planning of PE and sport in their school
- Helps schools to increase young people's opportunities and engagement in PE & school sport
- Helps schools to put PE & school sport at the heart of their planning, practice and ethos
- Recognises and celebrates successful PE & school sport models



Mr Ferris and Mr Newton completed the 974 meters to the top of Ben Lomond. A fantastic achievement boys. First Munro completed 281 to go!

Please remember to notify us of your child's successes outwith school so we can offer our congratulations at assembly.

There is a tear off slip at the end of this newsletter which can be completed and returned to the school office or you can also email us at: [thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

## Teamwork



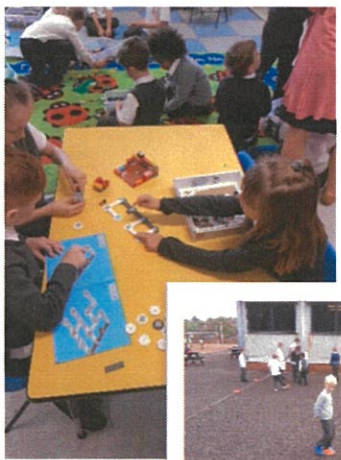
We have completed our first Aldi sticker poster and are halfway to completing another. For every complete poster the school will receive:

A reward offer of a Sports Kit and a prize draw entry for a chance to win one of 20 x prizes of £20,000 cash.

Please ask all your friends and neighbours for any stickers, we only have until the 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov before the competition closes.



Our choir entertained us at our Harvest Service singing "You'll be in my heart".



P7's Leading My Time Clubs



Please provide feedback and return slip to the School Office or email: [thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

Comments/Suggestions:

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# Learning beyond the school

"When we arrived we went into a building and completed some challenges and built bridges using bricks. A few hours later we went half way up the Forth Road Bridge it was very windy. I thought the trip was amazing".



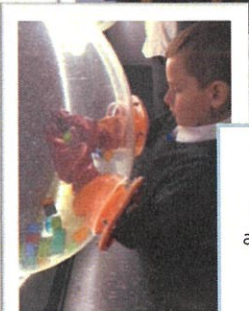
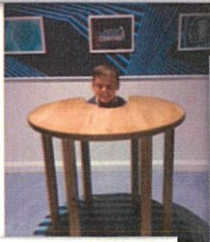
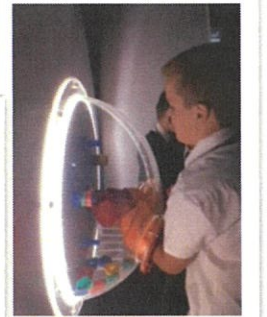
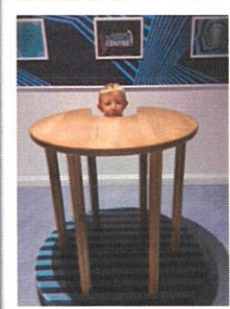
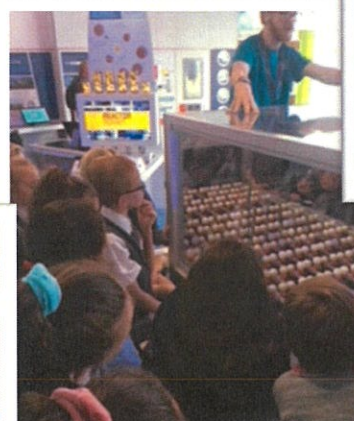
P4 and P5 Forth Road Bridge Trip



"Oor Thorn Wullie" has returned to school after his adventures in Glasgow.



P6 Science



"Our class went to the Science Centre and it was amazing. There were loads of cool things, there was even a body floor where it tested your speed and how high you can jump and also how quick are your reactions. Also on the way back on the bus the boys were singing. It was amazing!"



*New dates from last month in red*

Date	Event/Time	Notes
05.11.19	SLT Drop in	Monthly event. 9.15am in staff base. Join our Senior Leadership Team.
06.11.19	Cinema trip	All P4-P7 pupils. Please sign your child up via ParentPay.
07.11.19	Cinema trip	All P1-P3 pupils. Please sign your child up via ParentPay
09.11.19	Christmas Fayre – Red and Green Stall Donation	Pupils can wear their own clothes and bring a donation to school for the Red and Green stall at our Christmas Fayre. More details will be sent out
12.11.19 – 18.11.19	Book Fair	Open to all pupils from 2-2.30 each day. Pupils can bring money to purchase books or stationery.
14.11.19	Parents Night	Parent's night. Appointments will be available from 3:15-8:30. Appointment times to follow.
21.11.19	Author Visit to school	Stuart Reid is visiting the school to read to classes. Pupils can purchase his books and have them signed. More details to follow.
23.11.19	Christmas Fayre – Bottle Stall Donation	Pupils can wear their own clothes and bring a donation to school for the Bottle stall at our Christmas Fayre. More details will be sent out
Saturday 30.11.19	PTA Christmas Fayre 10-12	Our PTA's major fundraising event of the year. Please come along and support them with various stalls, activities, Visit Santa and also hear our Choir sing.
02.12.19	School Closed	School will be closed for St Andrews day holiday.
03.12.19	Choir	Our Choir will be singing at Silverburn between 1-2pm.
04.12.19	SLT Drop in	Monthly event. 9.15am in staff base. Join our Senior management team.
05.12.19	School Christmas Lunch	More details to follow
05.12.19	Christmas Jumper day	In aid of St Vincent's Hospice pupils can get into the Christmas spirit and wear their jumper and make a donation to St Vincent's Hospice. Charity buckets will be available to collect all donations
11.12.19	Flu Vaccinations	Pupils who have returned permission slip will receive flu vaccination from NHS (pm)
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16.12.19	PM - P1 & P2 Christmas Parties	1-3pm Party with visit from Santa Claus. Pupils can wear their party clothes all day to school.
17.12.19	Panto - afternoon	M&M production will be visiting the school for all pupils to watch Wizard of Oz.
18.12.19	P3,P4 & P5 Christmas Parties	Pupils can wear their party clothes all day to school.
19.12.19	PM-P6 & P7 Christmas Parties	Pupils can change into party clothes at lunchtime.
19.12.19	Church Service	Pupils will be walking to Johnstone High Parish Church for our Christmas Service at 10am. All family and friends are welcome to attend
20.12.19	School closes 2.30pm	

Achievement Notification, please return to the School Office or email: [thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk)

Child's Name:

Child's Class:

Child's Achievement : .....