



Our Values help us do the **REST**

Thorn Primary School Newsletter



OUR HIGHLIGHTS

WINTER 2019

Songs, lines, narrators, props, lights and Action!



Yes, Christmas has officially arrived at Thorn Primary. Our pupils and staff are rehearsing enabling the development of expressive arts skills to provide our school community with a Christmas Extravaganza.

P1&2 are performing Everyone Loves A Baby, P3 – Baubles
P4&5–The Christmas Toy Story, P6&7–The Who's Who Stole Christmas.
We hope you enjoy our performances.

Lastly... A huge thank you to our pupils, staff and families for your continued support. We wish you all a Merry Xmas & a Happy New Year. See you all in 2020!



RESPECT – Respecting your views and feedback



ODD SOCKS DAY FOR ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



Odd socks Day

We were delighted to participate in Odd Sock Day as part of a national focus for Anti-Bullying Week.



EQUITY

As part of Book Week, children's author Stuart Reid visited our school for a book reading assembly and class workshops, which all the children enjoyed.

After the event Mr Reid contacted us to pass on the comments below:

“Thank you so much for inviting me to Thorn Primary School yesterday. It was great fun, with a terrific amount of engagement, enthusiasm and laughter from the pupils (and teachers). Please pass on my thanks and appreciation to everyone for their support. The pupils were an absolute pleasure to present to and a credit to their school.

Look forward to meeting everyone again soon.”

**Parent's
Night
Feedback**



Which workshop(s) would you find most useful to support your child in learning?

Replies	Reading %		Writing %		SEAL %		Number Talks %	
29	6	20.7	4	13.8	11	37.9	8	27.6

We have spoken with our numeracy coaching and modelling officer and plan to arrange a SEAL & Numbertalks session in Spring.



School Cinema Trip

In November all our pupils were able to enjoy a visit to the cinema. P1-3 watched Dora and the Lost City of Gold and P4-7 watched Horrible Histories. A special thank you goes to Into Film, Cineworld @Silverburn and our parent helpers who accompanied us.

Pupil quotes:

'Very good film, would rate it 5 out of 5. Really liked the ending because of the glowsticks it was like a party. Nearly the best thing that happens in school!' Georgia P3/2

'Fun bus trip and a very good film. Enjoyed going with my friends. Want to go every year!' Alex P3/2

A fun experience, enjoyed the show. Would love to do this again! Lewis P6

Fun film, really interesting and tells fun facts. Good fun! Sam P6

SUCCESS



BOOK WEEK SCOTLAND

All our pupils enjoyed taking part in all our activities for Book Week. We welcomed our P2 and 3 parents to our gifting event.



ParentPay

We got there!!..... 100% signed up. Thank you to all for your support.



Young Writers Certificate Winners



My Time – Comic Book Illustrators



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

TEAMWORK



Intergenerational Quiz

Our P6&7 classes recently took part in an Intergenerational Quiz at the Lagoon Leisure Centre.

Our P6 Team were second overall in the competition.



Well done!

Christmas Choir



Our school choir performed at Silverburn Shopping Centre last week and raised money on behalf of Quarriers.

Our choir were recorded by Clyde 1 and will be played on their morning show.



PTA Christmas Fayre

The PTA Christmas Fayre was a real success and we raised in excess of £2000.

Thorn families got into the festive spirit, revellers packed into the hall wanting a piece of the seasonal action.

We would like to thank all the businesses who supported us and provided raffle prizes.

All about the Flowers, Astara, Amanda @ Signature Cosmetics, Aurora, Beauty by Tracey, Bicycle Chain, Bobbin Mill, Calum's Bar, Claire Kelly Beauty, Dominos Pizza, Eclipse, Elderslie Butchers, Graeme McGinley Butchers, First Class Barbers, Hairpod Beauty, Hairpod Hair, Harry's Fruit Shop, Hazel Arms, Henderson Flowers, Iain Hill Ltd, Johnstone Turkish Barbers, John Marshall & Son's Butchers, Lynnhurst Hotel, McDonalds, Michael Adleigh Hairdressing, Pace Theatre, Pandamonium, Papamacs, Poundland, Rangers Football Club, Renfrewshire Leisure, Rennie's, Shimla, Showcase, Sisters Kitchen, Sisters Stitching, Smyths Toys, St Mirren Football Club, Trattoria Roma, Tunnocks, Tesco and Gowanlea Nurseries.



Girl's Football Team

Our girl's team took part in the Active Schools Hub Tournament where they competed in 5 games. Mr Barrett, the girls football team coach said "the girls are getting better in new positions, playing better at passing and creating new chances. They are working together more collaboratively and performing better as a TEAM." Well done girls!



Christmas Jumper Day

Last week we had a visit from "Vinny" St Vincent's mascot to support Christmas Jumper Day @ Thorn. Pupils helped raise approx. £140 for St Vincent's Hospice, thank you to all our families for donating.



Please provide feedback and return slip to the School Office or email: thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk

Comments/Suggestions:

New dates from last newsletter in red

Date	Event/Time	Notes
10.12.19	Xmas Concerts	9:30am – P3, P4 & P5
10.12.19	Xmas Concerts	1:15pm – P1, P2, P6 & P7
11.12.19	Xmas Concerts	9:30am – P1, P2, P6 & P7
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11.12.19	Flu Vaccinations	Pupils who have returned permission slip will receive flu vaccination from NHS (pm)
12.12.19	General Election	School will be closed as school is being used as a polling station.
16.12.19	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	Christmas Parties	P3 Christmas Party Am. Pupils can wear their party clothes all day to school.
18.12.19	Christmas Parties	P4 & P5 Christmas Party Pm. Pupils can wear their party clothes all day to school.
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.
19.12.19	Christmas Parties	P6 & P7 Christmas Parties Pm - Pupils should wear school uniform am and bring party clothes to change after lunch.
15.01.20	P1 Registration	We welcome anyone with the Surname A-L to register their child for starting school in August.
16.01.20	P1 Registration	We welcome anyone with the Surname M-Z to register their child for starting school in August
23.01.20	P7 Burns Supper	Evening event for P7's for Parents. More details to follow.
30.01.20	P5 trip to Glasgow Science Centre	More Details to follow via parent pay
05.02.20	Girls Football Tournament	Ferguslie 12:30-2:30 – Team details to follow
06.02.20	STL Drop in	Monthly event. 9.15 am in staff base. Join Mrs Hart/Miss Lawson and other staff members who are available for morning refreshments and a chance to share constructive feedback or muse ideas for the future.
07.02.20	Additional In-service Day	School closed for pupils
10.02.20 – 11.02.20	School Holiday – Midterm	School closed for pupils and staff
12.02.20	In-service Day	School closed for pupils
13.02.20	School reopens	School reopens for all staff and pupils
26.02.20	P4 Assembly	11am and all Parent/Grandparents of P7 are invited to come along and join us.
26.02.20	Boys Football Tournament	On-X 12:30-2:30 – Team details to follow

Achievement Notification, please return to the School Office or email: thornenquiries@renfrewshire.gov.uk

Child's Name:

Child's Class:

Child's Achievement :-----
