



July 2021 – 2nd Edition

The Thurleigh Times

Hello everyone. Here we are very nearly at the end of this academic year. We have a few final pieces of information to share with you all just before we break up for the summer.

Before we look at news items, I would like to say thank you to **all parents and carers** for being so supportive during my first term as Interim Headteacher.

A huge thank you to **all school staff**. You have worked tirelessly to provide a safe, inviting environment for the children, alongside rich learning opportunities, during what has been another very difficult year.

Finally, we say goodbye to our **wonderful Y6 children**, they will be sadly missed by everyone at Thurleigh Primary. Thank you Year 6 for the many amazing things you have done for our school during your time here and for your roles on the School Council, Safety Squad, House Captains to name but a few.

To all children, staff, parents and carers, I wish you a restful and relaxing summer with your families and look forward to seeing you all again in September. Kathy Augustine



A huge thank you to Mrs Edwards our visiting teacher from Bedfordshire Music. We had an amazing end of year concert, where our children performed beautifully. There was so much talent in the room! Well done to all those who took part.



Year 6 Leavers Assembly

A reminder for Year 6 parents and carers that this will take place on Wednesday 21st July and start at 2pm.

Covid Update

Local Public Health advice is that all settings should continue with all current COVID-19 measures until the end of the summer term. This will help to minimise COVID-19 transmission in schools/colleges, and to keep staff and pupils as safe as possible in the lead up to the summer break.

For the start of the Autumn Term, we will need to take direction from Local Public Health and Bedford Borough. If there are any changes to current arrangements i.e. changes to the staggered drop off/pick up, changes in the wearing of masks/visors etc., we will inform you via Parentmail closer to the beginning of the new term.

Thurleigh War Memorial Centenary Summer Challenge



In September it will be the 100th anniversary since the War Memorial opposite the school was erected. Thurleigh Parish Council, St Peters Church, the local community and Thurleigh Primary School will be having a celebration to mark this important occasion. The event will take place on Tuesday 21st September and may take the form of a service at St Peters by Reverend Peter Kay, followed by refreshments back at school. Of course, this will be in line with Covid restrictions and as with everything currently, we are unable to plan too far ahead.

Now for the Summer Challenge Part...

Design an A4 poster to celebrate the centenary, which must include a drawing of the War Memorial.

The overall winning poster will be displayed on the Village noticeboard outside St Peter's Church. (There will also be a prize...to be confirmed later)

For those who wish to take part, please bring your A4 posters to school with you in the Autumn Term.

Reading Photo Request

As we come to the end of term, we wondered if we could ask you to complete a little holiday task for us? Could you please choose between:

Where do I read? During the holidays could you take a photograph of your child/children reading somewhere. It could be anywhere at all, maybe on the beach, maybe at the park, on a deckchair, at the zoo, in the garden...anywhere at all that you would like, the more exciting the better.

Or

Who do I read to? Alternatively, the photo could be of your child/children reading with Granny, Nanny, Grandpa or any other family member, maybe the family pet, maybe a friend, a beloved teddy.

We look forward to seeing these photos in the autumn term when the children return to school in September. If you are unable to print at home, please feel free to email your picture to the school office. They will then be used to create a new reading display in school.



Clubs Update

In the Autumn Term we will be offering a new variety of clubs. We will send out more information when we return in September. New clubs will not start the first week back.



Blogs, blogs and more blogs!

You can now read all the final blogs for this academic year. These include:

- 'Class Blogs' on the Latest News tab
- 'Safety Blog for Parents and Carers' within the Safeguarding section on the 'About Us' tab
- 'Well-Being Blog' within the Mental Health and Wellbeing section on the Our Learning tab

Training Days

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Friday 3rd September 2021

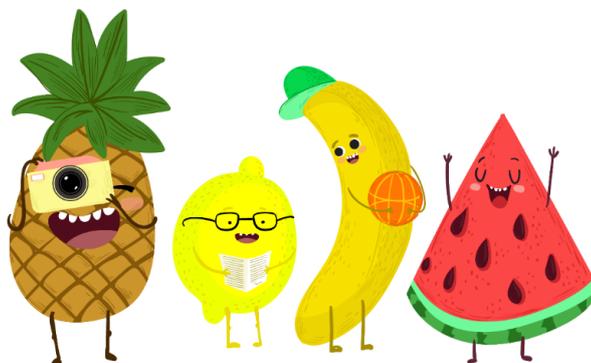
First day back for children is Monday 6th September 2021



Upcoming Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 20 th July	Year 6 Twinwoods Adventure
Wednesday 21 st July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
Thursday 22 nd July	Break up for the summer holidays
Thursday 2 nd September	Staff Training Day
Friday 3 rd September	Staff Training Day
Monday 6 th September	Children return to school

With this newsletter, you should receive a calendar of term dates for academic year 2021-22. Please note that our INSET days are slightly different to Bedford Borough's calendar. There is no training day on Monday 1st November 2021, but instead, is on Monday 6th June 2022.



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Summer