

# Thorn Grove Gazette

Friday 9th February 2024

Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. This week has been a tremendous week in school. We have had Young Voices, the EYFS Stay and Play event, a Science Outreach workshop for Y5 and the Hakka performed by Y6 in assembly today. To say I am proud of my learners is an understatement! I hope all the children, staff and families of Thorn Grove have a lovely week away from school and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 20th February.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Vose

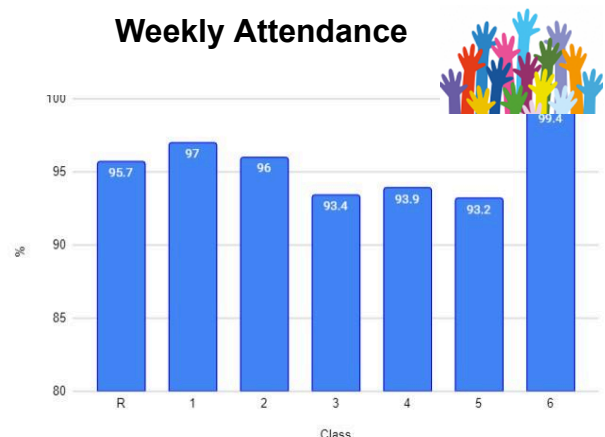


## Parking

Sadly this week I have had a very serious complaint from a local resident regarding cars parked blocking their drive at drop off and pick up times.

Furthermore, with concerns over how many parents are parking on the yellow zig zag lines. This is inconsiderate and dangerous. Please park in a safe and sensible manner.

## Weekly Attendance



## Key Dates

Mon 19th Feb - Inset Day

Tues 20th Feb - Children return to school

Mon 26th Feb - Y6 mock SATS week

Tues 27th Feb - Year 1 Trip to RHS Bridgewater

Tues 5th March - School Nurse Drop in

Thur 7th March - World Book Day Villains

Fri 8th March - Biggest Football Session (Girls event)

## Star of the Week



## Can your child ride a bike? Do you need some help and support?

Decathlon has some Learn to Ride sessions for children aged 7 and above taking place at Stockport Decathlon on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Feb.

These sessions are aimed at non riders, stabilisers must be removed and children will need their own bikes and helmets.

Here is the link to book: <https://bikeright.co.uk/courses/child-group/>



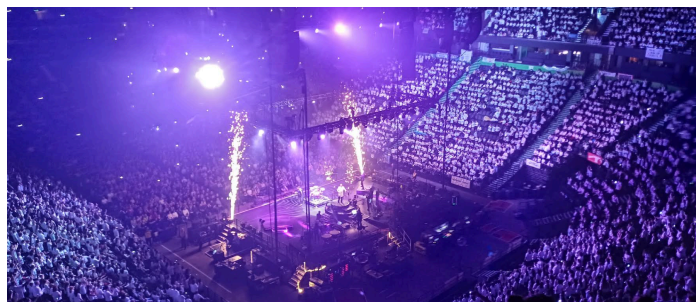
## Young Voices

Well what another musical extravaganza! On Monday afternoon, we took our 42 strong KS2 choir to the AO Arena in Manchester. We sang and danced our hearts out at dizzying heights. The atmosphere was electric and the enthusiasm and energy of our choir made our staff team incredibly proud. These events are a brilliant opportunity for our budding musicians to shine and sing as part of a huge ensemble.

It takes months to put such an event together so a huge thank you to the children and their

families for dedicating so much of their time to learn a wide range of songs and medleys.

A quick shout out to the staff who helped organise and attend the event is also needed as they made sure our choir were safe and had the most fun possible!



## EYFS Narrative immersion Stay and Play

Wow Wow Wow!!

On Thursday of this week our EYFS Children had their first Narrative Immersion Stay and Play where the parents had the opportunity to engage with our new EYFS offer and to see how our curriculum is changing to a curriculum that immerses the children into a story world through the use of drama and talk! Our EYFS staff demonstrated our story box ritual and showcased a range of activities that our children would be exposed to on a daily basis. The children went into the story world where they met Little Red Riding Hood and Granny and helped to prepare a red breakfast for the wolf to make him feel better. There was even a guest appearance from the Wolf himself! The children made jam sandwiches, cakes and ate strawberries and jelly. They made hats, paper chains and decorated paper plates too. I wonder where our story adventures will take us next half term!



## Lunar New Year



This year, Lunar New Year falls on Saturday 10th February and this year it is the year of the Dragon. In school, Mrs Docherty will be leading a special assembly on Thursday 22nd February where the children will learn all about the traditions involved in this festival. In addition, this weekend there will be a special celebration in Manchester and Stockport Hongkongers Community Interest Group will have a stall there and have asked us to share this with parents. The festival is a vibrant and joyous event and I hope many of you get the opportunity to visit.

For all our families who will be participating in this celebration - Gong hei fat choy (恭喜发财),

### Jewellery in PE

Please can we ask that children are not wearing any jewellery, including earrings, to school on days when they have PE. If earrings can't be removed due to it being in the first six weeks, children are allowed to tape these up. However children are not allowed to wear any jewellery for swimming or impact games (such as dodgeball), so will not be able to take part if they can not remove their earrings. This is to help keep your children safe and to prevent injury. We hope you understand.



### Collection



Please can we ask that all parents let the class teacher know if there will be someone else picking up their child. This can be a face to face message in the morning or an email to the class email account. This is to help us safeguard your children and ensure we are putting them in the care of people you trust and that are safe! Thank you for your support.