

Thorn Grove Gazette

Friday 19th May 2023

Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. I would like to say a huge thank you to those parents who have used the pre ordering system 'Lunch Hound' to pre order and select their child's school dinner. This system went 'live' on Monday and it was a huge success and made lunch service far quicker and efficient. For those parents who have not yet started using this system can I ask you to do so as soon as possible. If you need any support please call school and we will be happy to assist.

I have a meeting with Taylor Shaw next week to evaluate various elements of the service so far- please can I ask you complete this [survey](#) with your child to make this meeting as productive as possible.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Vose

Key Dates

Thurs 25th May - Y4 Class Assembly

Fri 26th May - Last day of half term

Mon 12th Jun - First day back to school

Tues 13th Jun - Y3 trip to Quarry Bank Mill

Thurs 15th Jun - Y2 Class Assembly

Wed 21st Jun - Class photos

Thurs 22nd Jun - KS1 sports day

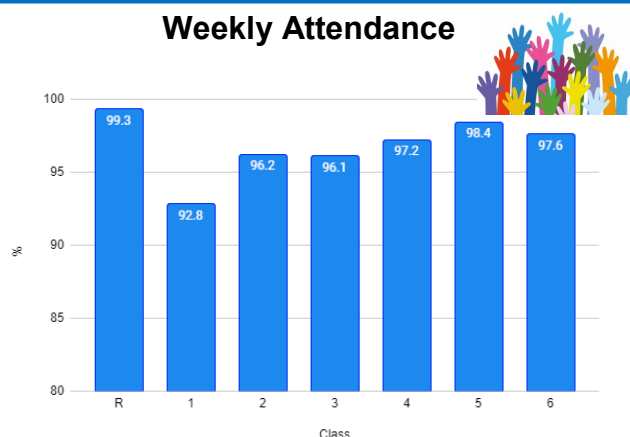
Thurs 22nd Jun - Y5 Millie's Trust First Aid



School Holiday Consultation

Stockport Local Authority is responsible for setting term dates and school holiday dates. Term dates are consulted on each year as part of the School Admissions and Term Dates consultation and generally provide an option of one or two weeks for Primary schools in the summer half-term. You can find the current consultation [here](#).

Weekly Attendance



This week's
**Star of the
Week**



Monkhouse Uniform

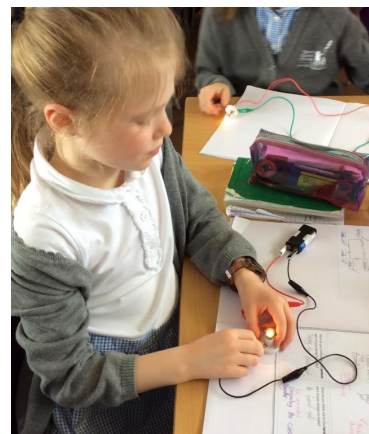
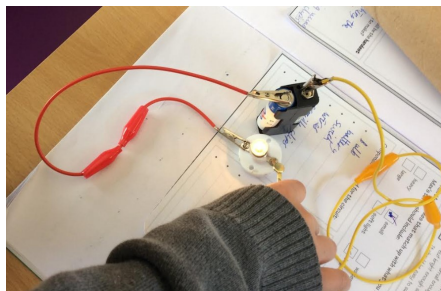
At the start of this academic year I received some feedback regarding our school uniform supplier: Monkhouse. This feedback suggested there were issues relating to stock, delivery arrangements and the charge for delivery. I therefore arranged a meeting with Monkhouse Uniform Supplies to try and resolve these issues, ready for parents ordering new uniform for next year.

We now have an up to date stock list and can confirm based on numbers sold last year this has been updated to accommodate demand. I am also pleased to report we have now agreed to have uniform delivered to school so there is no extra cost to parents. This option is available when you order from the website. We did explore the option of having uniform stocked in store but this means an increase in cost to parents. However, you can visit the store and try items for sizing purposes.



Year 4 Design and Technology

Year 4 used their knowledge of electrical circuits to make their own torch. They showed great perseverance despite it being a tricky task and amazing team work too! Well done!



Before and After School Club

As of September 2023, Thorn Grove will be providing the before and after school club care for our children. Elm Cottage have provided this service to our families for the past 11 years and for this we are truly grateful. They have worked really hard to provide a warm and nurturing environment as close to home as possible.

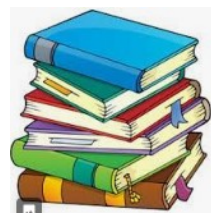
Transferring the running of Before and After School Club to Thorn Grove will enable us to extend the service to our Nursery children and facilitate a Friday opening. In addition, the funds raised from this club will be invested straight back into our school and our children will reap the benefits of increased funds for resources and extra opportunities.

In order to assess the need for next year we ask any families who may be considering the use of our club to complete this [survey](#).

We will be in touch very soon with more exciting information about our new club - including the opportunity to create our new name!

Books, Books, Books!

One of our projects this year has been to reinvent and revitalise our school library. You may have noticed some changes already as you enter the school and a lot of work has been going on behind the scenes to create an inviting space, filled with exciting books. We do need a lot of new books for our library and we also know that many of you may have books at home that are no longer of use. We have created a wish list of books that we would love you to donate if you have any copies in good condition. You will find a copy of our book wish list on google classroom. Please only donate books off the wish list and please don't feel the need to make any purchases, we only want second hand donations at this point! Please could all donations be brought into school by Friday 26th May.



Goodbye and Good Luck

*I am writing to inform you **Mrs McEvoy** will be leaving Thorn Grove next Friday. Mrs McEvoy has worked at Thorn Grove for 10 years and has supported many children to achieve their potential in many areas of the curriculum, especially reading. Mrs McEvoy has not yet decided what she will do next but I am sure she will be an asset to whatever she turns her hand to. Good Luck in your next chapter.*

***Miss Brown** is leaving school next Friday after five years of service to Thorn Grove. During this time Miss Brown has worked as a Y4 Teacher and as our PPA teacher. She has had the privilege to teach all children across our school and I know she will be missed by all. However, Miss Brown has secured a full time Nursery Teacher role at Hulme Hall Primary School. We wish her all the very best!*



A full and thorough recruitment process is now under way.