

Newsletter

Friday 15th October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see the message below re our Scarecrow Competition. At the moment, we don't have many entries, but we have extended the deadline to Monday 18th October at 9am in the hope that some more families will take part over the weekend.

Many thanks and good luck!

Gill Finney,
Headteacher.

Scarecrow Competition

As part of our tercentenary celebrations a few years ago now, it was decided that we would invite the community to make scarecrows for their front garden to help celebrate

Harvest. As this was so successful, we have again decided to open this up to parents and the community, but thought it would be a good idea to complete this a little later on in the term.

If you are interested in participating, please make your scarecrow and complete the pro-forma on the letter sent out which should be handed to the Office.

NO LATER THAN MONDAY 18th OCTOBER 2021
at 9am.

The reason for this is that on Monday 18th October, staff will be walking or driving around Thornton taking photographs of scarecrows which will then be judged in school. Obviously we need to know where we are going so that we don't miss any fantastic scarecrows on the way! The staff are very excited about this and there will be prizes for the top three scarecrows in Thornton.

These will be announced in the Merit Assembly on Friday 22nd October 2021.



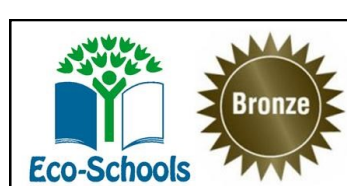
Dates For Your Diary

- 18th Oct - Individual photographs
- 18th Oct - Scarecrow Competition in gardens
- 22nd Oct - Crazy Hair Day - organised by FOB
- 22nd Oct - Break up from school
- 1st Nov - Back to school
- 11th Nov - Nasal Flu Vaccinations
- 30th Nov - Thornton Lights Switch On - 4pm
- 3rd Dec - Sponsored Bounce - organised by FOB
- 6th Dec - KS1 Dress Rehearsal Christmas Performance - 2pm - school to watch
- 7th Dec - Christmas Performance - 2pm
- 8th Dec - Christmas Performance - 9.15am
- 9th Dec - Carol Concert at St Johns Church for Years 3 and 5 - 2pm
- 10th Dec - Carol Concert at St Johns Church for Years 4 and 6 - 2pm
- 13th Dec - Years 5/6 Party Day - own clothes
- 14th Dec - Years 3/4 Party Day - own clothes
- 15th Dec - KS1 Party Day - own clothes
- 17th Dec - Break up for Christmas holiday

All dates made are PROVISIONAL depending on Government Guidelines and many of the activities that would usually take place in the Autumn term, may not go ahead.

This is purely to keep our school community safe. We will keep you as informed as we can.

Please check dates on every newsletter as dates are always added. New dates will be in red.



Merit Winners—Well done Everyone!

Friday 8th October 2021

Reception— Henry Buckley, Bella Hilton and Ivy Doughty

Year 1— Esme Clement - Cooper and William Tonner

Year 2— Brodie Hatch, Halle Hardingham and Joshua Cookson

Year 3 – Rowan Thorpe and Katie Tebay

Year 4— Sofia Greenaway and Chloe Senior

Year 5— Ava-Marie Jackson and Lorna Harrison

Year 6— Treasure Igiebor and Oliver Duerden

Headteacher's Award— Oscar Howarth and my Harvest Helpers in Year 6

Lunchtime Awards - Lucie Millar and Alice Aitchison

Housepoints - Romans and Danes

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Reception— Hattie James-Gray and Penelope Lavery

Year 1— Harry Tucker and Poppy Crewdson

Year 2— Michael Sharpe and Harry Longworth

Year 3— Riley Bradshaw, Rebecca Mell and Robbie Mayall-Buckley

Year 4— Autumn Standaloft and Poppy Heyes

Year 5— Ben Markbride and Max Underdown

Year 6— Seth Goodrick and Lilly Forsyth

Headteacher's Award— The Year 6 Open Evening Helpers

Housepoints - Romans

Lunchtime Awards -
Oliver Duerden and
Elbie Collinge



Places Available

Just to let you know that we have places available in Years 1, 2, and Year 4. If you know of anyone wanting a place or who is moving into the area, please let them know. Many thanks.

Secondary School and Reception on-line Applications

Parents are now able to access the on-line admission forms for High school and Reception places for September 2022. These can be accessed through www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools. Closing dates for secondary applications—31st October 2021 and dates for offers 1st March 2022. Closing dates for Reception places—15th January 2022 and dates for offers 18th April 2022.

Please do not miss these dates!

A Swimmer of the Future

George Barrans in Year 6 continues to go from strength to strength. George swam in the National Championships and won gold in every event he entered, even knocking time off his personal best for the 50 metre Butterfly finishing in 40.73 seconds. This is something to really celebrate and I cannot begin to tell you all how proud I am of him. All I will say is 'George, please don't be busy the night of the Swimming Gala - we need you!'



Covid in School

Thank you all for helping us with the containment of Covid in our school this half term. We have had many cases of children with the virus and those displaying symptoms. Parents have really helped us by organising speedy testing for the children and keeping them off until results are back. We really appreciate this, which has helped to keep the number of staff illness down too, although we have had several cases recently. Thank you so much.