

# The Thornton Times

Monday 7th September 2015

Hello everyone,

Welcome back to the start of the new school year. I hope you had a great summer despite the changeable weather. It looks like we are in for some sunshine though this month so that should be a nice start to the term.

The children all settled in really well today and the staff are really looking forward to the year ahead.

As you know, this is my first week at Thornton and I am delighted to be taking over at such a happy and successful school. I am sure with your support we can take Thornton on to even greater success in the future.

We will be producing a weekly newsletter for you and the eldest child in your family will be bringing it home so please look out for it every Friday. This newsletter is just a quick update for the start of term but the weekly newsletter will be much more informative and will let you know everything that is going on in school. You will also be able to view the newsletter on the school website from Friday afternoon.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to catch me or a member of the team outside school if you have any questions about your child's education.

Have a great week everyone!

Sue Simmons,  
Headteacher.



## School Dinners

Please note that school dinner money **must** be paid on Mondays only. We cannot accept payment of dinner money on any other day. This is because of the large amount of money we have to collect and the time it takes the admin team to handle the money.

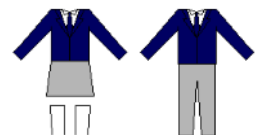
Dinner money is £2.10 a day or £10.50 each week. Remember that Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children have FREE DINNERS every day.



## Uniform

Thank you so much for ensuring that your children looked so smart in their uniforms today. We are selling sweatshirts every morning from reception and they are currently half price at £5.00 each. Please note that we will be changing the school uniform at some point this year, possibly at Christmas, and at that point we will be providing the children with a brand new sweatshirt or cardigan.

Please can you also make sure that your child has a PE kit in school EVERY DAY—it can be taken home at weekends for washing.



## Breakfast Club and After School Club

Breakfast Club starts at 8.00 a.m. and costs £1 per day (50p for siblings). Your child will receive a healthy breakfast of cereal, toast and juice and be able to enjoy games and activities before the start of the school day.

After School Club runs from 3.30 p.m. until 5.00 p.m. and costs £3.50 per day (£1.75 for siblings). If you wish your child to stay later (up to 5.45 p.m. then this will cost an additional £1.75 (90p for siblings).



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## Times for the school day

8.40 a.m.	Gates open for children to come onto site (Breakfast Club children come in through main gates at the front of school from 8.00 a.m.)
8.50 a.m.	Children come into school
9.00 a.m.	Registers
12.00 noon	Lunchtime for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
12.15 p.m.	Lunchtime for Year 3
12.25 p.m.	Lunchtime for Years 4, 5 and 6
13.25 p.m.	End of lunchtime
3.20 p.m.	End of school day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
3.30 p.m.	End of school day for all other classes



PLEASE NOTE IF YOUR CHILD GOES HOME FOR LUNCH THEY SHOULD BE COLLECTED PROMPTLY AT THE START OF THEIR LUNCHTIME AND BE BACK IN GOOD TIME FOR THE START OF AFTERNOON SCHOOL. Thank you.

### Absence in term time

Good attendance is the key to success in school. Please do not take your children out of school for holidays or other unnecessary events such as birthdays.

The Government now insist that unless children have attendance of 90% or more parents or carers will be fined for not ensuring that their child has good attendance.

Please do not jeopardise your child's education by taking them out of school during term time—you have 13 weeks to choose from for your holidays!

WE ARE  
MACMILLAN-  
CANCER SUPPORT



Mrs Simmons is holding a coffee morning at 10.00 a.m. on 25th September to raise money for

Macmillan Cancer support. Plenty of cake, tea and coffee on sale. Please come along, meet Mrs Simmons, make some new friends and raise money for this fantastic Charity.

### Training day

Please note that our first training day for teachers is 2nd November 2015—this is the first day after the half term holiday therefore children should return to school on 3rd November.

Other training days will be notified as soon as they are arranged so that parents can make childcare arrangements.



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