



The Thornton Times

Spring Term

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Hello everyone,

It's finally beginning to feel like Spring. The sun is shining and we hope it stays like this over the weekend and the Easter break. Year 1 have been practicing hard for their Easter Assembly, which takes place on Friday 7th April at 9am. It would be great if as many parents as possible could attend this event. There will be lots of Easter refreshments on offer.

We will also be awarding the Head Boys and Girls their badges and announcing the winners of the Easter poem handwriting competition.

School will close for the Easter break on Friday 7th April at the usual time of 3.30pm. School will re-open on Monday 24th April. Have a good weekend everyone!

Hameeeda Ahmed, School Business Manager.



Dinner Money

Thank you to all those parents who have cleared their debts. If you still have any dinner money outstanding, this must be paid by the end term (Friday 7th April 2017). **Dinner Money should be paid in advance and not in arrears!!**

Attention:

Dinner Money will be £11.25 per week from the 24th April. This is a 10p increase per day!!!

School Closures

Monday 1st May 2017	Bank Holiday
Thursday 4th May 2017	Local Elections
Monday 24th July 2017	Building Works
Tuesday 25th July 2017	Building Works

The Chocolate Shop

Year 1 Easter Assembly. Friday 7th April 9am. Everyone Welcome!



We hope to see you there!



We have received a call from Washwood Heath Police Station to inform us of high police presence planned around St. Agatha's Road during the next few days. This is due to an ongoing investigation.

We have been assured that there is no reason for concern to anyone in the area or the school.



The school newsletter for children, parents and carers of Thornton Primary School.



Keeping Safe Around Dogs

This week we are learning about keeping safe around dogs. Miss Evans is a dog warden for Birmingham City Council, and her job is to capture stray dogs and bring them to a safe home. She taught Owl Babies, Owlets and Wise Owls that it is very important to stay safe around dogs, by not running away and not

maintaining eye contact. She also taught us a special move for when dogs are running towards us to attack us.

We learnt that we need to get down low and keep our hands close to our chest. We learnt some vital skills that will keep us safe in the holidays.



Parents Learning about Maths at Thornton

Last week, parents in Years 3, 4 and 5, attended workshops to understand better how maths is taught at Thornton, with the intention of equipping themselves to better support their children with maths at home. Some of the parents commented:

"This workshop was excellent and well explained."

"I will be able to support my child more now I know how she works at school."



Healthy Snacks and Lunchboxes

Please can we remind parents that if your child has a packed lunch then their lunchbox must contain healthy items; it should not contain energy drinks, crisps or chocolate bars, with the exception of one healthy treat on a Friday. For example, a good lunchbox should include, at least one portion of fruit, at least one portion of vegetables and meat or fish.

We have a lunchbox policy to encourage healthy choices for all children. A healthy lunchbox makes a positive contribution to a child's health.



Weekly 100% Class Attendance
Tawny Owl 6! Well Done!!!



Have a lovely weekend everyone!!!



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