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#### Hello everyone

Next week is going to be **HOT**! Please can you ensure your child comes to school prepared for the hot weather. We are encouraging the use of sun hats and drinking plenty of water. It would be really helpful if you could ensure your child is wearing sun cream when they come to school to help protect themselves. Thank you for your support with this!





We had a fantastic start to the week with a trip for all 100% attendance prize winners to Twinlakes! The highlight of the day had to be the water park, and the children really went for it with their water squirters managing to soak the school staff, as well as the park staff! It was great to see so many children living life to the full and getting compliments from the public about their manners and excellent behaviour. Well done everyone, and thank you to the staff for making sure it was such good fun!





We have had another busy sporting week at Thornton with 3 competitions. The first was at Bablake School in Coventry where the Thornton Year 6 team qualified as **cricket winners** for the **County Cup Finals** at Edgbaston Stadium on the 20th September—what an amazing achievement!

On Wednesday, our Year 5 girls attended the **Girls' FA Cup** in West Bromwich. After

some fantastic performances and some great goals Thornton eventually lost out in the

semi finals to the event winners Willowbrook. Well done, girls! We're really proud of you!

Thursday saw the prestigious **School Games Finals** at **Harborne Cricket Club.** Thornton got out of a tight group by 1 run and into the semi final, which they then won by 7 runs against a very good Greet team. On to the final Thornton marched! They excelled and were crowned **School Games Champions** winning the final by 18 runs against a strong St. Chads team. Very well done to all involved!



Headteacher - Mrs Cathy Grace Deputy Headteacher - Mr Mason Assistant Headteachers - Mrs Biddle-Rawbone, Mrs Mazar, Mrs McPherson, Miss Loach Chair of Governors—Mr Amjid Ali



Thornton Road Ward End, Birmingham B8 2LQ 0121 327 0824 enquiry@thornton.bham.sch.uk Twitter– @Thornton0wls Lastly, we are extremely proud to share some exciting news with you! As a result of the children's hard work, perseverance and total enthusiasm, Thornton Primary School has been awarded the School Games Gold for commitment to school sport. Well done to the children and to Mr Bates for ensuring we seize every opportunity for our children to get involved in a wide range of sports.





It was lovely to see so many Year 2 children and parents from Sladefield Infant School on Monday and Tuesday afternoon this week. They were able to visit the school and meet lots of staff, see their new classroom, meet their new teacher, and have a tour of the school. We were really impressed with the great questions the children asked and their beautiful manners! We cannot wait for them to join our #thorntonfamily in September.

Thursday saw our **Year 6** children venturing out into the world of secondary school education on a **transition day**. They spent the day at their new school and were able to tell us all about the



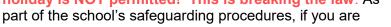
similarities and differences between Thornton and their new school. We are incredibly proud of just how hard our Year 6 children have worked this year, and we are looking forward to sharing our KS2 SATs results with you next week!

Thursday was also the day that children in Years 3, 4 and 5 got to meet their new class teacher for next year. It was lovely to walk around school and hear the cheers as the new teachers entered the classrooms to meet their new class. We can't wait for 2022-2023!



We were delighted to see so many of you last week and this week as you attended your child's parents' evening. Everyone is in agreement that it is so nice to get back to seeing eachother face to face to discuss the children's successes and next steps. Please read on to find out what you told us about our school during parents' evening...

And finally, please can I remind you that <u>your child is</u> <u>legally required to attend school every day during</u> <u>term time.</u> Leave in term time cannot be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Taking children out of school during term time to go on holiday is NOT permitted! This is breaking the law. As





planning to travel abroad during term time, you MUST visit the school with your travel documents and complete the relevant forms with a member of the School Leadership Team. Appointments can be

booked via the main Reception. Failure to do this could lead to further action being taken with external agencies. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter, and for ensuring yur child attends school every day.

Have a great weekend everyone, Eid Mubarak, and enjoy the sunshine! Cathy Grace, Headteacher







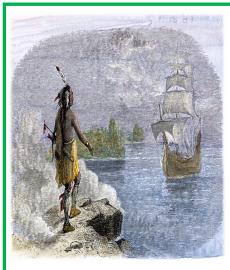
# Year 3

Our topic in Year 3 this half term is Scrumdiddlyumptious. We have been busy exploring the journey of food as well as discovering ways we can change our eating habits, to help us become more healthier.

This week, the children have been busy planning and making healthy snacks. They began the process by discussing what a snack is and how it differs from other meal times. Then, they examined the format of a recipe, before writing down a set of instructions chronologically on how to make flapjacks. By the end of the week. our budding bakers were showing off their culinary skills, working in small groups, following their own written instructions to bake some deliciously, healthy flapjacks.

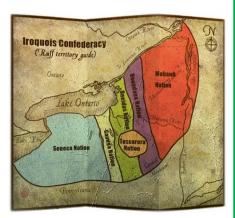




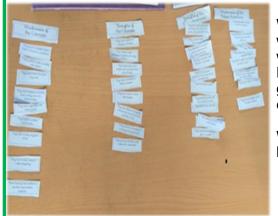


# Year 4

This week, we have been putting ourselves in the position of the Iroquois tribes of America and considering the key question: why could the settlers take over the country? It was tricky to think about, because we considered that some of the tribes may want to fight back, but others may have fled or even sided with the European colonists because of their strength or to keep their families safe. Each



group would have needed to think about what felt like the right choice, even though it would have been a difficult decision.



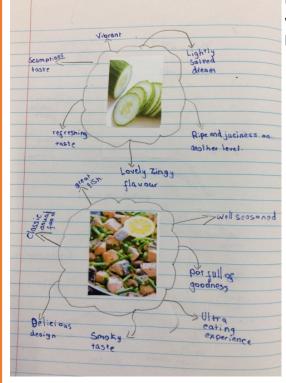
We organised statements as to whether they are strengths or weaknesses of the colonists or the Native Americans practically as a group to find out more and to consolidate our knowledge.

What would you do if the same thing happened to you?

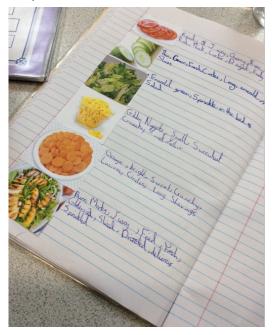


#### Continuing Year 5's Allotments theme, we have been busy creating a recipe for a healthy salad.

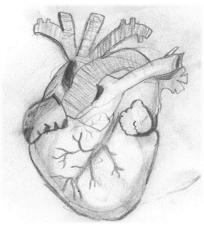
We learned about all the different types of fruit and vegetables that we could include and the benefits of eating a variety of different foods. We now know that, according to the statistics, a high proportion of young people are obese. This can seriously affect their quality of life. This is partly due to eating a diet of processed food and not enough fresh fruit and vegetables.



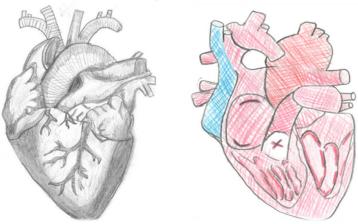
We can't wait to make our delicious salad in our D&T lessons. So, watch this space to find out more about this!







This week in Year Six, the children have been working on a project about **the heart**. The purpose of this project is to teach their audience. They have been working independently, researching and creating labelled diagrams of the heart. Our Year 6 students are hoping to become experts. They will be sharing their understanding with their peers next week. We are looking forward to their final presentations.



## Year 5

# Parents' Evening Feedback — Summer Term 2022

2. The school keeps my child safe (0 point)

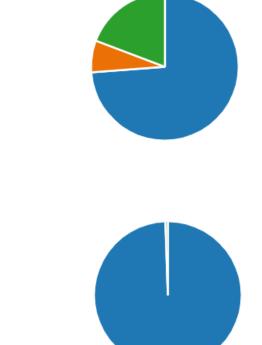




3. My child is in school from 8.30am every morning for catch-up work (0 point)

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4. My child is taught well (0 point)

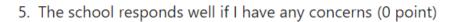


More Details

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No

Not sure



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6. I am kept well informed about what is happening in school (newsletters, emails, texts, school website, telephone calls, school homework planners)



7. I am aware that my child brings home a book to read every day that they also read in class.



187 Responses

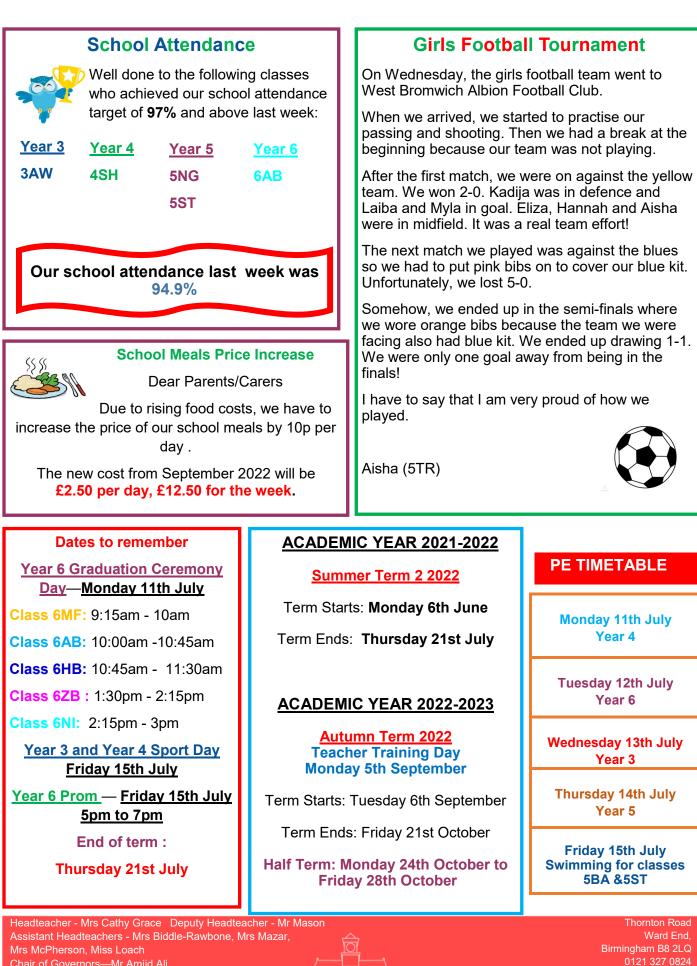


4.70 Average Rating

9. What are the best things about Thornton Primary School? (0 point)

68 respondents (36%) answered teachers for this question.

teachers are great	Education and teachers	Fantastic teachers		
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Friends and teachers child is happy teachers are good teachers are good teachers are good				
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		Teachers are helpful teachers are very supportive		



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