



The Thornton Times



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Hello everyone

On behalf of Governors and the staff of Thornton Primary School, I want to send you our warmest wishes and tell you that we are all very much looking forward to welcoming all the children back to school when we are directed that it is safe to do so. We are busy making preparations to do this and will keep you updated via the school website, eSchools app, newsletters and letters posted home.

Teachers have been working hard to write the end of year reports for the children, and these will be posted out to you on Friday 26th June. You are now able to book a 10 minute telephone appointment to discuss your child's reports for the date given below. Bookings can be made in the same way you normally book parents' evening appointments using eSchools.

Year 6	Wednesday 1st July
Year 3	Thursday 9th July
Year 5	Monday 13th July
Year 4	Tuesday 14th July

Just to confirm, this is also the day your child's class teacher will be making their welfare calls home. Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Cathy Grace

Year 6 Transition (also known as moving to Secondary School!)

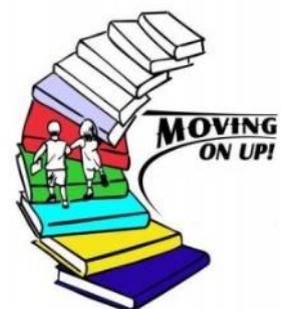
Moving to a new school is an exciting thing to do! It gives you a chance to make new friends, or strengthen existing friendships further. It also allows you to learn about a wide range of subjects, some familiar and some new, as well as experience a huge range of new learning opportunities, such as working in a Science laboratory or using specialist PE equipment. You get to learn in a new classroom for each subject and navigate your way across a huge school site which helps you get plenty of exercise! Lots of children enjoy taking responsibility for organising themselves and carrying all their equipment around with them, from pens and pencils to text and exercise books. And getting a new uniform always makes you walk taller and take pride in yourself.

To help our Year 6 get ready for this momentous occasion in their lives, we are going to keep adding resources to this page so that they start to think a bit about the future and begin to ask any questions they have. Any little worries are always helped when we talk about them...

There are links to websites for the schools that our current Year 6 will be transferring to on our own school website, just go to: www.thornton.bham.sch.uk select the 'children' tab at the top and then 'Year 6 Transition' from the side bar.

If you click on the school logo it will take you straight to their website! We have also included activities sent to us by these schools for your children.

This is being updated all the time, so please keep checking!



Year 3 Teacher's Message



Hello everybody! I hope you and your families are keeping safe and well. I am missing you all and looking forward to seeing all the happy faces very soon. I hope this time has given you chance to try new things, make new discoveries and get creative in your homes and gardens! I have enjoyed taking photographs to mark special occasions whilst working from home and to simply appreciate all the small things that we take for granted. I have also enjoyed some drawing and art with my son. We tried making some pictures from handwriting patterns: follow the instructions to make your own really cool pattern picture!

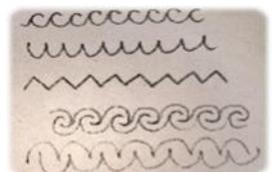
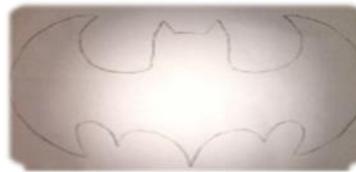
Keep safe and take care everyone. I look forward to seeing your creative pictures or D&T creations. Miss Webster

Year 3 Activity — Pattern pictures

You Need:

Paper, Picture of your choice, Pencil, Felt Tip Pen, Crayons

1. Draw the outline of your picture
2. Start to fill your picture with the following patterns in pencil, can you follow the edges and fill in the gaps?
3. Add colour over the top of the pencil marks to make your picture look pretty.
4. Use a felt tip pen or dark crayon to frame your picture and really make it stand out



Don't forget to post photos of your Pattern Pictures on Twitter!

Year 4 Teacher's Message



Hi everyone,

I hope that you and your families are still staying safe during this time. All of the teachers cannot wait until we are all back in school and we are looking forward to seeing the wonderful, creative work you have been completing! Remember that learning takes place in lots of different ways, even helping to tidy and learning to plant in the garden are skills you will need in life.

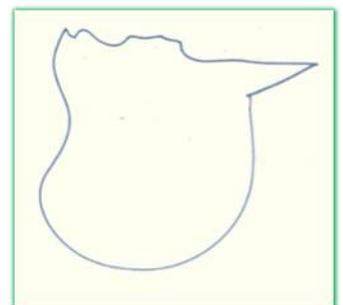
Mr Wareing

Year 4 Activity

Play Anthony Browne shape.

Find a friend or family member to draw a shape and then use your imagination to turn it into something recognizable – be it a face, a fried egg, a dinosaur or even a gorilla!

Here is a shape for you to start with and two examples from other artists.



Don't forget to post photos of your own Browne-style shape on Twitter!



Year 5 Teacher's Message



Hello everybody!

It has been a while since we all last saw each other but remember we are not far from one another. I'm sure you all can't wait to be back in school with your friends and teachers. We all feel the same and look forward to seeing you and hearing first hand what you have been up to. You have come this far, so let's keep it up. You are all doing a great job!

Stay safe, Keep smiling. We will get through this.

Mrs Ayyaz

Don't forget to post photos of your Tortilla Pizza on Twitter!

Year 5 Activity

Tortilla Pizza

You will need a grown up to help you.

Ingredients:

Tortillas, Olive oil, Tomato purée, Cheese, Sweetcorn. Onions, Peppers, Salt and pepper.

Method :

Step 1- Preheat oven to 200 degrees

Step 2- Place the tortilla on a baking sheet. Brush with olive oil; sprinkle salt, and pepper on top.

Step 3- Bake in the preheated oven until golden, 3 to 5 minutes. Remove the tortilla from the oven and spread tomato purée on top. Arrange toppings over tomato purée ; cover with cheese.

Step 4- Bake in the preheated oven until cheese is melted, about 5 minutes. Enjoy!!!



Year 6 Teacher's Message



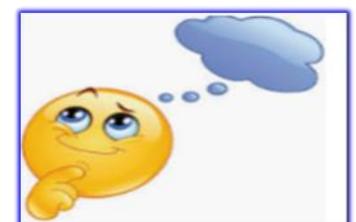
Hi Year 6,

Miss B here again! Wow! What a week it has been- as you are all probably aware school is open to Year 6 again and it has been lovely seeing the children who have come back! Some of you have chosen to stay home which is fine, but make sure you are staying safe and make sure you are reading everyday and doing some sort of arithmetic to keep your brains active and alert- ready for secondary school. I have been keeping busy by getting myself back into the routine of teaching. It has been so long! Try something new each day and make yourself a timetable to give yourselves some sort of routine. If I do not see any of you again, please keep safe and good luck for next year! It has been a strange end to the year but hopefully things will start to resume back to some form of normal for us all soon.

Year 6 Activity

Some riddles to keep your brains ticking!

1. Billy's mother has five children. The first is Lisa, the second is Mark, the third is Katie and the fourth is Tom. **What is the name of the fifth child?**
2. What gets more wet as it dries?
3. What is full of holes but can still hold water?
4. It is as light as a feather but even the strongest person can not hold it for more than five minutes. **What is it?**



Don't forget to post your Riddles on our twitter page.



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Inclusion Team

Hope you are all staying safe with your loved ones.

The Communication and Autism Team (CAT) will be hosting a virtual session next week to support families with transition to secondary school. The details on how to book are provided on the flyer.

SEND Activity of the week

Good Day Bad Day Chart

What makes a 'good day' and a 'bad day' for you? You might be having a bad day because of the weather or a good day because you are doing your favourite lesson at school! Write or draw the things that make the different days. What can make the 'bad days' easier for you.

Don't forget to post photos of your Good Day and Bad Day Chart activity on twitter!



Communication and Autism  Access to Education

Supporting Transition into Secondary School: A Session for Y6 Parents

The Communication and Autism Team would like to invite you to a session to consider planning ahead for your child's secondary transfer this year. There will be an opportunity to ask questions to the C/AT representatives about supporting your child/young person during the current situation and the focus of the meeting will be to give you information and practical strategies to support your child as they move to Year 7.

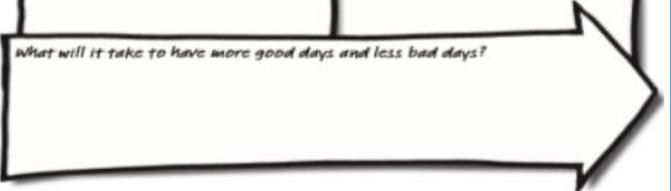
Thursday 25th June 2020
1-3 pm

This session will be run via Microsoft Teams/Remote training so you will need access to a laptop or phone that has this application. To secure your place please book online via: <http://accesstoeducation.birmingham.gov.uk> Please note once you have booked a place you will be sent an invite via Microsoft Teams to attend the training.

Please note this is a parent/carer only session.

For more information please contact: zoe.atzori@birmingham.gov.uk



 Good day?	 Bad day?
 What will it take to have more good days and less bad days?	