



Hello everyone

Wow! The end of this academic year has arrived sooner than we thought! It has been an incredibly busy year, full of hard work and lots of fun. On behalf of the School Governors, I would like to say **a sincere thank you to all the #thorntonfamily** for being part of an exciting learning journey this year. Everyone's efforts are truly valued and we look forward to what next year will bring... and **Year 6**, what can we say? **You have been an absolutely amazing year group and we are really going to miss you!** Please stay in touch and share your future success with us, we are incredibly proud of you—remember, **you will always be part of our #thorntonfamily.**



We started the week on a real high this week with **Y3 Sports Day** which was our final successful sports day of the year. A **very BIG thank you to Mr Bates and the Sports Coaches from GLS** who made sure each Sports Day ran perfectly and was lots of fun for everyone! We are also ending the week on a high with some **high energy bouncy fun** on the playground! Everyone gets the chance to enjoy time on one of the 4 bouncy castles in the playground as a reward for a brilliant year this year!

Year 3 delivered an outstanding drumming performance to parents/carers on Monday afternoon. Everyone was tapping along in time with their expert rhythm keeping—**well done Year 3, we are very proud of you!**



We are also **really proud of the Year 4 children** who attended the **Summer School run by the King Edward Schools** this week. They have been excellent ambassadors for Thornton and have experienced a wide range of exciting experiences such as learning about Mandarin, creative writing, drama, ceramics, debating, psychology, finishing off with a sports day and celebration award ceremony. What an opportunity, **thank you King Edward's School and King Edward VI High School for Girls!**

Mr Wareing was blown away by the entries for this year's Art Sketchbook Cover competition! The standard was very high and we clearly have lots of talented artists at Thornton. **Congratulations to the winner of the Art Sketchbook cover competition go 2026-2027...Fatima from 4TW!**



Art Sketchbook



A special shout out to **Mrs Biddle Rawbone** who was used evidence from all our hard work each week to successfully apply for our first My Happy Mind Award. She has secured the **My Happy Mind Bronze Award** and has now set her sights on Silver! Go Mrs Biddle Rawbone!



A message for anyone who currently pays for their child's school meal—the **cost of a school meal is increasing slightly** by 10p from September to **£2.80 per day**, which is **£14 per week**. Payment for school meals continues to be made online using ParentPay.

And finally, we look forward to welcoming our new Year 3 and everyone else back to school on our **first day back, Wednesday 2nd September, from 8.30am** and by 8.45am at the latest!

Have a great summer holiday everyone, and stay safe!

Cathy Grace, Headteacher

Headteacher - Mrs Cathy Grace
Deputy Headteacher - Mr Mason
Assistant Headteachers - Mrs Biddle Rawbone and Mrs Mazar
Chair of Governors—Mr Amjid Ali
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Academic Year 2026–2027

Below are the new class names for your child in September. Please take a moment to familiarise yourself with the class name and teacher.

Classes 2025-2026	Classes 2026-2027	Teacher 2026-2027	Support 2026-2027
2TD	3SQ	Mrs Qureshi (HoY) Miss Ahmed (Trainee Teacher)	Mrs Ahmed
2HU	3MJ	Miss Jabeen	Mrs Khan (Y3 First Aid)
2LL	3ST	Miss Tabassum	Mrs Parveen
3SQ	4TW	Mr Wareing (HoY)	Mrs McAlinden (Y4 First Aid)
3ZY	4NG	Ms Garnett (M, Tu, W, F) Mrs Bibi (Th)	Mrs Begum
3ST	4AA	Ms Ahmed (M, Tu, Wam) Mrs Ayub (Wpm, Th, F)	Mrs Mir
3MJ	4GJ	Mr Jones	Mrs Bi
4SH	5BA	Mrs Ahmed	Mrs Ayyaz
4TW	5TR	Mr Ryall	Ms Anwar (Y5 First Aid)
4NG	5ZY	Mrs Younis	Mrs Thompson
4AA	5ST	Mrs Tahir	Mrs Parvin
5ST	6NI	Mr Iqbal (HoY)	Miss Jahan
5GJ	6ZB	Mrs Bibi	Mrs Margetts (Y6 First Aid)
5TR	6HB	Miss Butt	Mrs Kumar
5BA	6MF	Ms Ferrante	Mrs Choudhury

Dinner Money Price Increase

Dinner money for school meals will increase to **£14** per week from **1st September 2026**.

1 day - £2.80

2 days - £5.60

3 days - £8.40

4 days - £11.20

5 days - £14

Healthy Packed Lunch



Please ensure you send your child to school with a healthy packed lunch consisting of a:
healthy sandwich, piece of fruit, yogurt and healthy drink (not fizzy or energy types!)

Strictly **NO NUTS** are allowed in school as we have children with severe nut allergies. Please do not send anything unhealthy in your child's packed lunch such as crisps or chocolates.

School Uniform

Branded School Uniform can be purchased from Crested School Uniform located in Erdington High Street or plain uniform can be purchased from your local supermarket.

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Year 6 school ties can be purchased from the school office for **£4.00 each**. Please ask at the main reception desk.

School Attendance

Our school attendance last week was 90.6%.

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