

# The Thornton Times



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Hello everyone

We are celebrating! Our **#thorntonfamily** raised a brilliant **£2400** for the **Ummah Welfare Trust's Kidz 4 kidz campaign!** The fundraising ran across the UK to raise money for the less fortunate around the world and we are proud of our contributions—thank you and well done, everyone!

A huge heartfelt thank you to the **Children's Book Project** who donated hundreds of pre-loved and new books to our children as part of their really valuable work with schools to promote a love of reading and learning! **Every child was given the chance to choose a book they are excited to read and share at home—a book that is theirs to keep!** We were blown away by the Children's Book Project and thoroughly enjoyed our special book gifting after school on Thursday this week: more photos on 'X' - QR code at the top of the page.

Children's  
**Book**  
Project

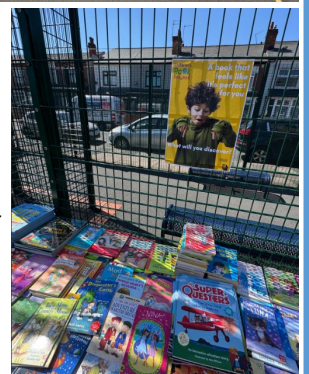


**NOW** Education  
Adding value at every Key Stage

We are super excited to announce that the wonderful **Hash from Now Education** has donated **two fantastic scooters for our summer fair raffle!** A very BIG thank you to Now Education for their generosity and support, its really appreciated! (Look out for Mrs Grace and Mrs Biddle Rawbone demonstrating how fast they go in school!). Raffle tickets will go on sale for the scooters in the main Reception from next week, along with tickets for other super raffle prizes...



**Tesco** continue to be **amazing supporters of our #thorntonfamily** and have very kindly donated some wonderful gifts for our school raffle. We want to say how grateful we are for their continued help, in particular the **brilliant work of their community champion, Mrs Miah!** Our very own Mrs Scott has been super busy making raffle baskets with the donated goodies and these will be on display in the main reception next week so you can take a look and buy some tickets!



**TESCO**

Some important dates coming up for you:

**Monday 27th April at 9am** — Y5 parents/carers **Easter Assembly**

**Tuesday 28th April 2.30pm** — Parents/carers **meeting at Sladfield Infant School** about joint Relationships Education & Health Education policy and lessons

**Wednesday 29th April at 9am** — Y4 & Y5 parents/carers meeting about Healthy Relationships

**Friday 1st May 9am** — Parents/carers **meeting at Thornton Primary School** about joint Relationships Education & Health Education policy and lessons (same meeting as 28th April)

**Monday 4th May** — **BANK HOLIDAY**—School closed to **ALL**

**Thursday 7th May** — **Teacher Training Day 4** School closed to **ALL** pupils

**Monday 11th May to Friday 15th May from 8.30am** — Key Stage 2 SATs (Year 6 tests week)

**Friday 22nd May at 9am** — Year 3 Ramadan Assembly for Year 3 parents/carers



**loudmouth**  
education & training through theatre

**Loudmouth Education and Training**, funded by Ofcom, are visiting school again this summer term to run **Year 6 workshops and hold assemblies for Years 4 and 5 about Screen Time.** The aim is to help our children feel happy, healthy and safe online. As part of their work, Loudmouth are running an **online parent session 'Keeping Children Safe Online'**. This is free to attend and we are sending leaflets home today with the QR code you can use to access it. The online training takes place on **Thursday 30th April from 4 to 5pm.**



And finally, we are please to share **Thornton's Musical Word of the Month...**

**timbre:** the type or quality of a sound e.g. metallic, breathy, plucked, bowed, muted  
Have a great weekend every and enjoy the sunshine!

Cathy Grace, Headteacher

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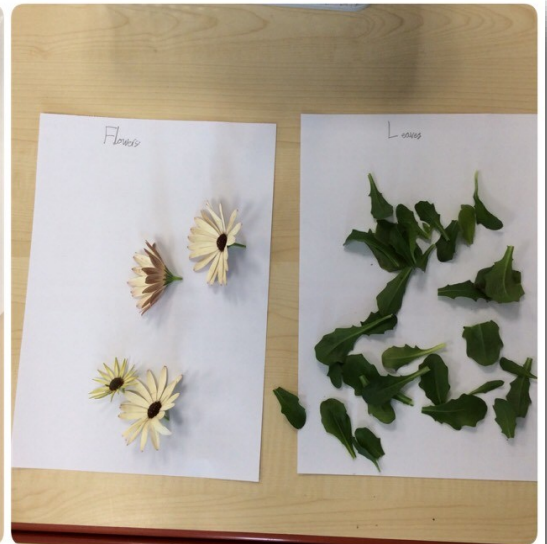
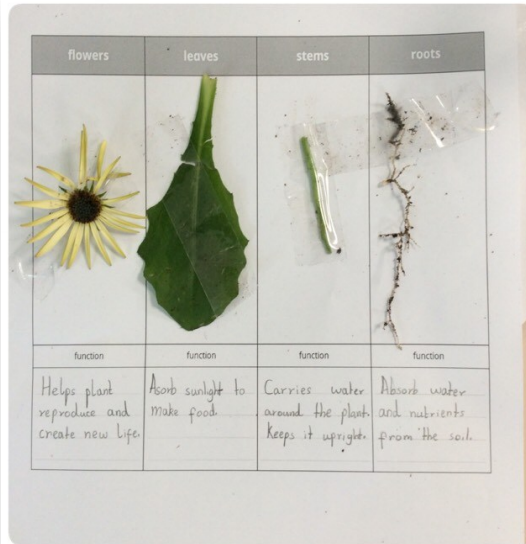


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## Year 3

In science this week, children in Year 3 have carefully dissected a plant to explore **the different parts of a flower and understand their functions.**

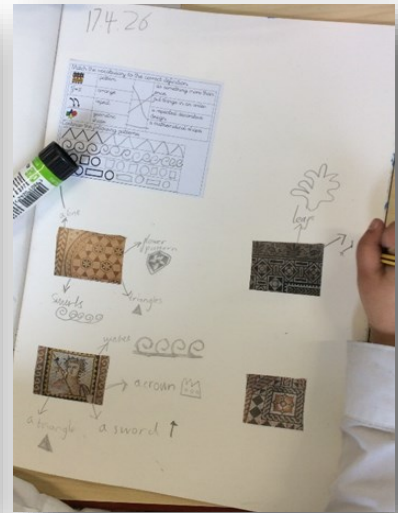
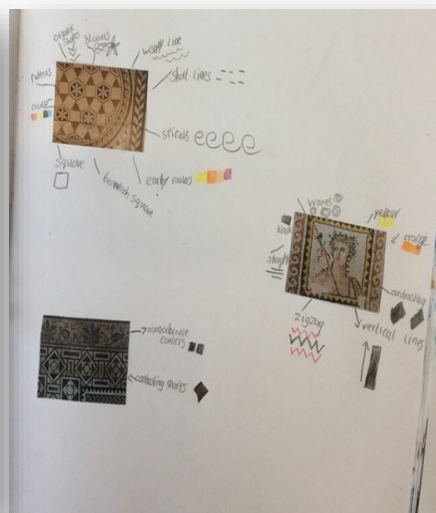
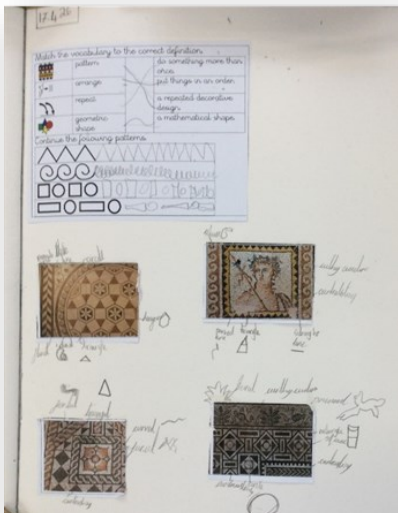
They identified the different parts of the plant and learned how each part plays an important role in helping the plant survive and to grow .



## Year 4

Last week, the children looked at **Roman mosaic artworks** and used the specialist language related to Art and Design to share what they noticed about the artworks.

The children were able to recognise different geometric and organic shapes, patterns and colours within Roman mosaics and they discussed the reoccurring features of them. Excellent work, Year 4!

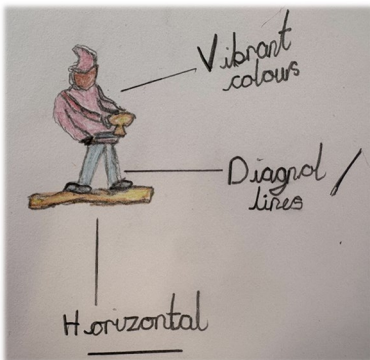
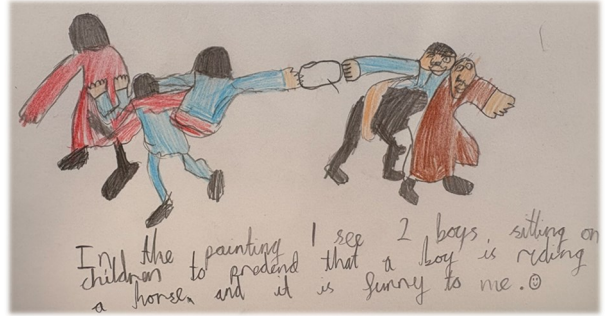


## Year 5

This half-term, we have begun looking at the **art of Pieter Bruegel and Lubaina Himid**. Both artists create images of groups of people to share their culture and history. We have been analysing how they use line, shape, colour and pattern so we can understand how this adds to the image and hope to utilise these skills by the end of the unit.

Here are some of our early explorations.

We hope you enjoy them!



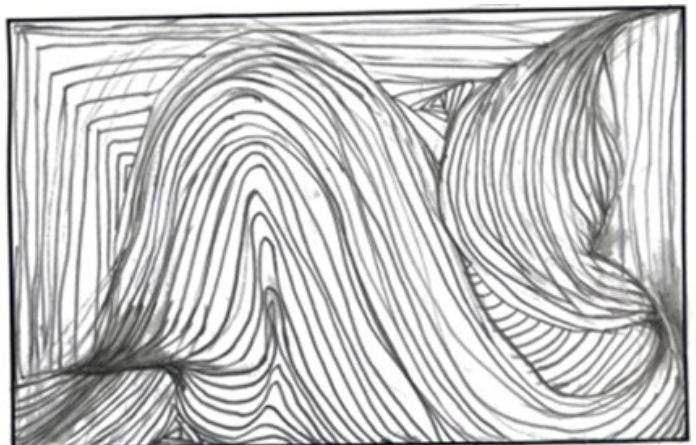
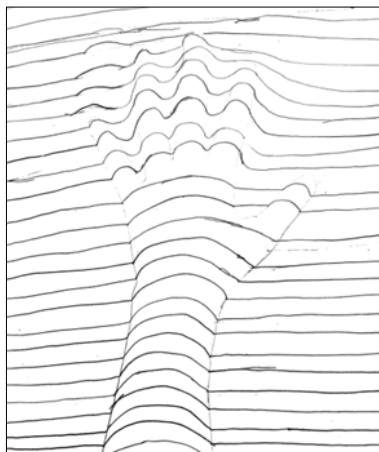
## Year 6

Currently in Year 6, we are **studying the artist Juan Travieso**, who is known for his bold use of colour and expressive style in contemporary artwork. His work often explores identity and emotion through vibrant visual techniques.

This week in art, we explored how Juan Travieso uses a mixture of artistic styles within his paintings, including abstract patterns and optical illusion techniques.

We created our own illusion based artwork by manipulating lines, experimenting with how line direction, repetition and spacing can trick the eye and create movement and depth.

We hope you agree that we have been very successful!



## Easter Competition Winners

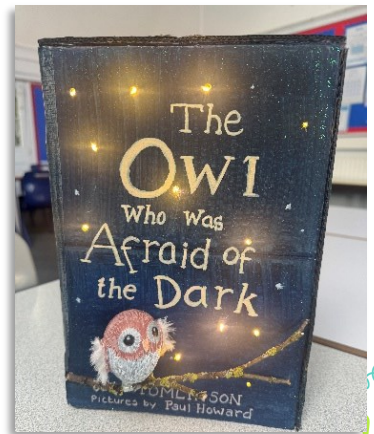
We had so many wonderful and creative entries this year. Thank you to everyone who entered. We have included a selection of pictures and the results of the winners and runner up for each class.

### Year 3



3SQ	3ZY	3ST	3MJ
Inaaya	Rumaysa	Ibrahim	Manahal
Zarwa & Arham	Zaira & Laibah	Adam & Minahal	Sahil & Usman

### Year 4



4TW	4NG	4AA
Lucas	Usman	Zaynab
Arissa & Ariana	Abdul Raheem & Ruqayah	Riyad & Yasin



## Year 5

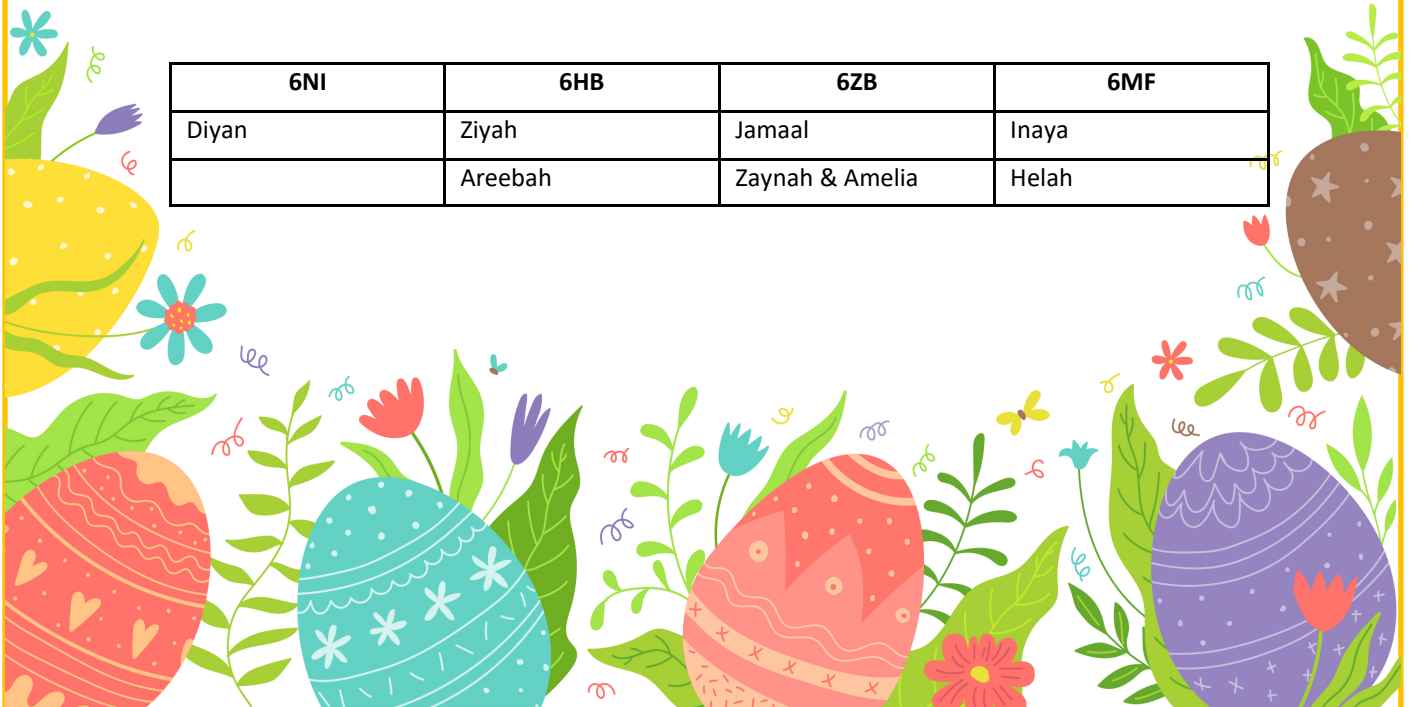


5BA	5TR	5ST	5GJ
Sana	Inaaya	Mishal	Hannah
	Ayaan & Hareem	Zayyan, Asra & Hafsa	

## Year 6



6NI	6HB	6ZB	6MF
Diyan	Ziyah	Jamaal	Inaya
	Areebah	Zaynah & Amelia	Helah



# DINE

WITH MIQUILL

WEEK THREE

**DINE**

Main

Vegetarian

Sides

**DINE**

**Dessert**  
STOP



Beef Burger



Beef Bolognese Bake



Roast Sausages



Spicy Chicken Pitta



Chicken Nuggets

Beetroot Burger

Cheese and Tomato Pizza

Mac & Cheese

Cheese & Tomato Turnover

Vegetable Fingers

Herby Potatoes and Green Salad

Garlic Slice and Sweetcorn

Roasties, Broccoli and Gravy

Wedges and Carrots

Chips and Peas

Homemade Tomato Sauce with Pasta

Jacket Potato with choice of topping

Freshly made sandwiches and Salad Bar are also available

Chocolate Chip Cookie

Banana Sponge and Custard

Lime Iced Sponge Cake

Shortbread

Ice Cream

WEEK COMMENCING:  
27/04, 18/05, 08/06, 29/06, 20/07,  
31/08, 21/09, 12/10

Fresh Bread and Salad is available daily with a choice of Yoghurt, Mousse, Jelly or Fruit instead of dessert

MIQUILL

## Dinner and Club money payment reminders

Thank you to all parents who continue to pay regularly into Parentpay for their child's meals and club payments.

The office will be sending text reminders, letters and making phone calls to remind parents to keep their accounts up to date.

Please remember to inform the school office if your child's lunchtime arrangement changes as it can often cause your child being charged for meals that they did not have due to the change.



Call the office on 0121 327 0824 to let us know of any changes.

**Dinner money and Club money must be paid in advance via Parent Pay, thank you.**

Dinner money  
£2.70 a day  
£13.50 a week

Breakfast Club  
£2.50 per day and  
£1.00 for any  
siblings.

After school club  
£4.00 per day and  
£2.00 for any  
siblings.

**There is a late pickup charge (£4) for pupils picked up after 4pm**

# Summer Fayre Raffle Prizes!

Wow look at some of the raffle prizes for this years Summer Fayre, on 21st May, we have these and much more! Tickets will go on sale soon, look out for all the up to date information in the weekly Thornton Newsletter, and displays in the reception office window

We have many more exciting prizes coming up  
We will also be selling tables for any parents to sell items  
**£15.00 per table—contact the school reception**



Men's  
care sets



Beauty Creams

Ladies PJ's  
in various sizes

Make up sets

Harry Potter  
goodies

# SUMMER FAYRE RAFFLE 21ST MAY 2026

**HOTWHEELS SCOOTER**

**STITCH SCOOTER**



Children's raffle

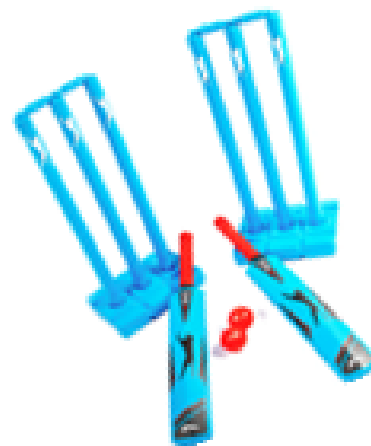
50p per ticket

Raffle prizes will include  
Games sets, for  
**FOOTBALL & CRICKET**

It could  
be YOU!

Buy a ticket to be in  
with a chance to WIN

Adult raffle tickets  
£5.00 for 5 tickets



## School Attendance

Our school attendance last week was 92.6%

### Golden Ticket Initiative

Well done! to the **154 pupils** who won the Golden Ticket Silver Reward. The pupils were invited to a fun VIP sports session with Mrs Grace, Mr Mason, Mrs Biddle Rawbone and Mrs Mazar this week. The pupils took part in parachute games, archery and curling. They all had a fun and competitive session!



The children are much happier and settled if they attend school every day consistently without taking any days off. **Good attendance will ensure that your child can reach their full potential. Thank you in advance for working in partnership with us to make every day count in your child's education.**



## PE TIMETABLE

Monday 27th April  
Year 4

Tuesday 28th April  
Swimming for 4NG and 4SH

Wednesday 29th April  
Year 3

Thursday 30th April  
Year 5

Friday 1st May  
Year 6

### Healthy Snacks

Children can bring a healthy, **nut free** snack to have at break time. For example, children can have a piece of fruit or a nut free cereal bar during break time. **Strictly no nuts are allowed in school as we have children with severe nut allergies.** Please do not send your child to school with unhealthy snacks such as crisps and chocolates.

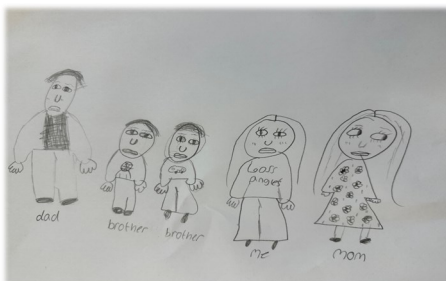
**Break time snacks really help give the children a boost of energy until lunchtime!**

**Thank you for your support.**

## ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

This week, the Article of the Week focused on **Article 9 (Separation from Parents)**, **Article 20 (Children Unable to Live with Their Family)**, **Article 21 (Adoption)**, and **Article 25 (Review of Treatment in Care)**. The children explored and discussed different reasons why it might not always be possible for children to live with their parents, such as when it is not safe or in the child's best interests. They shared their

ideas thoughtfully and gave feedback during class discussions, showing understanding and empathy for different situations. As part of the activity, the children drew pictures of themselves with the people who care for them, helping them to reflect on their own support networks and the importance of feeling safe and cared for.



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