



# The Thornton Times

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Hello everyone,

This year seems determined to confuse us with hot sunshine on Wednesday and rain and wind today. It's hard to know what to wear but from now on definitely a coat for your child will equip them for all weathers!



We have had a busy week, with Ofsted inspectors visiting us to undertake some important research on teacher workload. The teachers at Thornton work really hard and put in lots of extra hours to make sure that your children get the best possible opportunities to learn and make good progress. I am very thankful for such a committed and hardworking staff and do hope that the government finds ways to support teachers with workload in the future.

Have a great (if wet) weekend everyone!

Sue Simmons, Headteacher.

## Sports Awards and Achievements

We are delighted to announce that Thornton have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2017/18 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and offering children extra opportunities we are delighted to have been recognized for our success.

Our Year 6 Basketball Team reached the school games semi finals and finished in bronze medal position.

St Georges 2 - **12 Thornton**  
St Peter and Pauls 4 - **10 Thornton**  
Tame Valley 2 - **14 Thornton**  
**Thornton 8** - 10 Harper Bell

Congratulations to our school football team for sitting 2nd in the table.

1. Corpus Christie
- 2. Thornton primary school**
3. Harper Bell
4. Lea Forest



## Park Safe – West Midland Police initiative

The local police have visited the school this week and have discussed the problems we are having with some parents parking on the roads surrounding the school, particularly outside the school in the red zone and on the yellow zigzag lines, where you should not be parking.



The police will be patrolling the area in the next few weeks, and this could mean that they will be issuing tickets if you are parked illegally or do not have children wearing seat belts and they can also do insurance checks! They will be in plain clothes, so you will not see them!! (You have been warned).

Please consider the safety of the children when you are dropping off or picking up your children from school, and consider walking if you live locally.

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



# ★ Star Pupils! ★

## Year 2

Musa A

## Year 3

Rayam U  
Saleha I  
Yusuf I  
Hudda K  
Hammad B

## Year 4

Maria S  
Zayna M  
Afia M  
Aaila N  
Pa C

## Year 5

Abubakr K  
Haleema K  
Alisha H  
Rizwan Z  
Zubaida B

## Year 6

Subhaan S  
Hafsa M  
Mustafa A  
Zaynah R  
Zakir Khalil



Star Pupil assembly will be on:  
Wednesday 17th October at 9am



### Harvest Collection

Each year we collect food donations for the local food bank as part of our Harvest appeal. Please kindly contribute towards the food bank by Friday 19th October:

Year 2 – biscuits

Year 3 and 4 – tinned food

Year 5 – pasta and rice

Year 6 – toiletries

Please ensure that all items have a long shelf life and are within date. Thank you for your support for local people.



### Flu Vaccination Forms

A reminder to all parents to ensure you have filled and returned the flu vaccination form to school As soon as possible. If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please still return the consent form giving the reason. This will help us plan and improve the service.



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### Parents' Phonics Course

An opportunity to learn basic phonics to help support your child with reading at home.

Every Tuesday 9am- 10am

6 week course beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November  
Certificate upon completion of the course.

Sign up at Reception  
(Limited spaces available)



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Headteacher: Mrs Sue Simmons

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Grace

Assistant Headteachers: Mr Couldrey, Mrs Easthope, Miss Loach and Miss Starr

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