



Hello everyone!

I am very excited to share some fantastic news with you! We have been awarded the **School Games Gold Award for 2025/2026**! A special thank you to Mr. Bates, who leads PE at Thornton, for supporting us in achieving this prestigious award.



A very BIG thank you to all the parents/carers who have attended **parents' evening** this week - don't worry if you haven't made your appointment, there's still time to use SchoolCloud (instructions have been sent home in a letter to you last week to book an appointment for next Wednesday. If you have any problems booking an appointment, please visit the main reception or telephone school and we will be happy to help you.



Thank you also to those parents/carers who were able to attend the parent/carer meeting to find out about **Birmingham City Council's proposal to have a one-way system on Thornton Road and St. Agatha's Road**. We have emailed you a copy of the letter we sent home on Monday which shares the details of the proposal and a QR code to share your opinion. It is REALLY IMPORTANT that you use this QR code to share your opinion, as the proposals will only go ahead if enough people complete positive responses!

Thank you in advance for using the QR code here to share your opinion and help keep our #thorntonfamily children safe. If you were unable to attend the meeting, you are very welcome to attend the **local residents meeting on Thursday 4-5.30pm next week - this will be held in the school hall**.

We really value your support high attendance and punctuality. Making sure your child is in school everyday, on time, helps them in the following ways:

- Achieve strong academic progress and outcomes
- Make and maintain friendships
- Enjoy special events and experiences

We know so many of our pupils enjoy school life and this is reflected in the excellent attendance! To celebrate this success we have the following rewards:

- Individual pupil rewards each term for high attendance (our Bronze, Silver and Gold awards).
- Classes with 100% over a week are presented with a £25 class cheque to spend on wet play games or books for their classroom.
- Our Full Attendance Fridays reward the whole class for high attendance at the end the week.

We know high attendance is a team effort, so if you are finding it difficult to get your child into school, and require support or advice, please ask for an attendance appointment at the school office.

We are very happy to help!



And finally, a very BIG thank you to our wonderful School Chef who made our special **Golden Ticket lunch** yesterday very special. He managed to arrange a VIP visit from **Willy Wonka**, lots of Golden Tickets and prizes!



Please remember that **the school day ends at 3.30pm EVERY day** and children must be collected at this time. If you are unable to collect your child for any reason, please telephone the school and share the name and password for the adult who will be collecting them in place of you, thank you. This is very important and helps us to keep your child safe.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Cathy Grace, Headteacher

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School Attendance

Well Done to **4GJ**, **5BA** and **6HB** for achieving our school attendance target of 96% and above for last week!

Our schools attendance last week was **94.4%**



Golden Ticket Initiative



How does the Golden Ticket Attendance Initiative work? Everyone has an opportunity to win a Golden Ticket each term and get a fun attendance treat!

Autumn Term Bronze Award – Pupils need to achieve 96% above to qualify.

Spring Term Silver Award – Pupils need to achieve 98% above to qualify.

Summer Term Gold Award – Pupils need to achieve 100% for the whole academic year to qualify. Pupils who achieve 100% will be rewarded with a trip (more details to follow in the summer).



Monday 5th October
Year 3

Tuesday 6th October
Swimming for 4TW
and 4GJ

Wednesday 7th October
Year 5

Thursday 8th October
Year 6

Friday 9th October
Year 4

Attention all Year 6 Parents! Secondary Transfer 2026

Applications for your child's secondary school place in September 2026 are now live on the following website:

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/school-admissions> The online application is very simple and quick but if you need support completing the form please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.



Contact Form

If you have not done so already, We urgently need you to complete and return the contact form that was sent out the first week September. Please complete the contact form with your updated details and return it to your child's class teacher on Monday, thank you.

This form is extremely important as it is used to safeguard your child/children.



Parent Pay

Thank you to all parents who continue to pay regularly into Parentpay for their child's meals and club payments. Regular payments can prevent unmanageable debts being created.

The office will be sending text reminders, letters and making phone calls to help parents keep their accounts up to date. Please remember to inform the school office if your child's lunchtime arrangement changes - we don't want to charge you for meals your child did not receive! Please call the office to let us know of any changes 0121 327 0824. Dinner money and Club money must be paid in advance via Parent Pay, thank you for your support.

Dinner money is £2.80 per day and £14.00 per week.

Breakfast Club is £2.00 per day and £1.00 for any siblings.

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

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



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