# Thorn Grove Gazette

# Friday 12th July 2024

Dear Thorn Grove Families.

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. It has been another busy week in school with extra swimming sessions, a visit to Quarry Bank Mill, rehearsals for the production and obviously lots of preparations for our Summer Fair this evening.

Thank you for everyone's generous donations over the last few Fridays. Access to the fair will be from the pedestrian entrance on the KS2 playground. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible from 5pm onwards. I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Vose

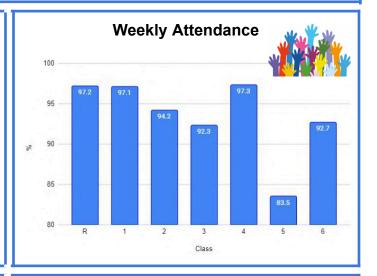
## **Assembly Focus of the Week**



PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR! This week LSC came into assembly to talk to our children about their holiday club which operates at Thorn Grove in the summer holidays. There are 3 different courses to choose from:

Football club Multi sports club Dance club

Please click here for more info.



#### **Key Dates**

Mon 15th July - Y6 Robinwood Residential

Mon 15th July - Bible Encounter Assembly 11.30

Thur 18th July - Reports sent home

Fri 19th July - INSET Day

Thur 25th July - Y6 Production 6.30-8.00pm

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Fri 26th July - Front Row parent concert 11.30-12.00
Mon 29th July - Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.30-10.30

#### Star's of the Week



#### **National Trust - Lyme Park Free Pass**

Last year you may remember Lyme Park offered a free family pass for families in Stockport. Well they have done the same again this year! The voucher enables a family of 2 adults and up to 5 children entrance to Lyme Park between the dates of 13th July and 15th September. If you would like a pass please pop to the Main Entrance and ask Mrs Connell for a paper copy.





#### Lyme free family pass

Enjoy a full day out this summer. From the iconic house and gardens, to Crow Wood play area and 1400 acres of parkland, there's plenty to explore.

#### **Changes to School Day**

I am writing to inform you of an important change to the timings of the school day for children in Reception – Year 6 from September 2024.

You may be aware that the Department for Education announced that from September 2024 the minimum amount of time a pupil spends in school each week, including playtimes and lunchtimes, should be at least 32.5 hours. This equates to 6.5 hours a day.

Therefore, from September our school day will be as follows;

Doors open 8:40am
Register 8:50am (your child will be marked late if after they arrive after this time)
School finishes 3:20pm

# Y3 Geography Fieldwork at Quarry Bank Mill

Year 3 Go Penguins! started the week with a day of fieldwork, this Monday. They got to use a variety of maps to navigate their way around the grounds of the mill and up to Styal village, using four figure grid references and an eight point compass.

Then, after a well earned lunch, they spent the afternoon session finding out about the River Bollin and carrying out a variety of investigations to see which part of the river flowed fastest, as well as getting in the river with their wellies to find a variety of river creatures.

It was a really busy, fun-filled day and as a class we had many compliments on the children's behaviour and their lovely manners. Definitely representing our school values in the right way.









### **Sports for Champions - Nate Montgomery**

Last Friday, Nate Montgomery visited our school for the Sports for Champions visit. He shared an assembly with the children where he taught them all about his career. He also showed the children some of his skills and Florence (Year 5) amazed us all with her ball spinning skills! Every class then took part in a circuit of exercises in the hall with Nate. The children also got the opportunity to ask him lots of questions.

A big thank you to everyone that collected sponsors and helped us raise money towards our PE equipment in school. We are just waiting to receive the photos back from the company, before we hand out our bronze, silver and gold awards! Hopefully you will have

