# Thorn Grove Gazette

Friday 20th September 2024

Dear Thorn Grove Families.

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. School is very much in full swing now and this week alone we have had Education Consultants visit our school to observe Maths, Phonics and Narrative Immersion taking place. The feedback has been superb and our staff are already thinking about ways in which we can enhance our curriculum further. I would also like to say a huge congratulations to Miss Brierley who has been appointed as a National Maths Specialist Teacher for the National Centre of Excellence of Teaching Maths (NCETM). Don't worry, she isn't going anywhere.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Vose

PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR!

### Class assembly dates

Thursday 17th October - Year 6

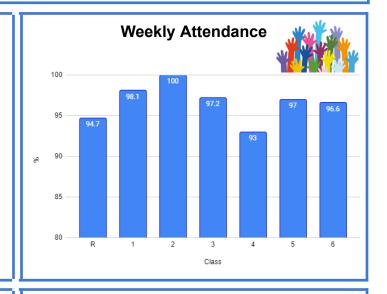
Thursday 13th February - Year 4

Thursday 13th March - Year 5

Thursday 3rd April - Year 2

Thursday 10th April - Year 3

Thursday 20th May - Year 1



## **Key Dates**

Wed 25th Sept - Prospective Parents Tours

Thurs 26th Sept - Flu Vaccinations

Tues 1st Oct - Parents Evening

Thur 3rd Oct - Parents Evening

Fri 4th Oct - Harvest Donations

Wed 9th Oct - Y4 trip

Wed 16th Oct - Y6 Height & Weight Screening

#### Star of the Week



#### **ASDA Update**

Thank you to all those who have already signed up to ASDA Cashpot for schools. We have already raised £103.09 towards school funds. There are 75 days left so please remember to link to our school and swipe after your shopping. Thank you!



### **Assembly Focus of the Week**

On Monday we learnt about James Ledger, a paralympian who could see only 3% of what we see. When he was younger, he thought it was a huge barrier and never left the house.

He had a dream to be the fastest runner.

Then he went to a disability sports club and found out that his dream can come true. He was scouted to join the paralympics. There he competed with a guide runner and had to wear a blind fold.

He ended up winning many gold medals!

(Niamh & Harvey)



## **Online Safeguarding Hub**

Last year we had several incidents of children not behaving safely online. We now live in a world where more and more children have access to phones and tablets and it is imperative we educate ourselves and our children about how we keep safe.

To help with this the Online Safety Hub is now live! You can access it for free here: <a href="https://stockport.onlinesafetyhub.uk/">https://stockport.onlinesafetyhub.uk/</a>

The Online Safety Hub is a brand-new online resource with lots of expert advice and guidance to help you manage your child's safety online as a parent.

It includes information on the latest hot topics when it comes to keeping children safe, such as how to manage your child's screen time, understand the latest gaming platforms, what they mean for your child's safety and lots more.

#### **Forest School Fun**

On Wednesday, Year 3 had their first of three Forest School sessions. It was а lovely afternoon and the sun was shining - what a treat! To start off the session. Forest School rules were shared and discussed in order to keep everybody safe. Then the children demonstrated responsibility by undertaking a huge litter pick to ensure the Forest School site was clear and tidy. Then it was time for the fun! Chosen activities included: collecting firewood. plaving manhunt, and - possibly the favourite activity of the day climbing trees!



Mrs Bland and Miss Haslam were so impressed with the attitudes of the children... they saw collaboration, resilience and buckets of confidence! Well done Team Maathai.