

Thorn Grove Gazette

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Friday 10th January 2025

Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette; and what a week it has been! Thank you for all the positive comments parents have taken the time to share, either with myself or staff; they are very much appreciated. Well done to our courageous parents for constantly braving the icy conditions to get your children to school and for those of you who bravely entered the world of home learning again. And finally a huge well done to our children, they have sensibly embraced the changes to their normal routine this week and.

I hope you all have a calm and safe weekend

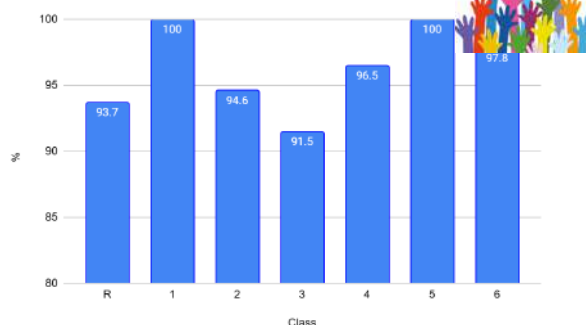
Miss Vose

Assembly Focus

On Wednesday we launched our new value of the half term; resilience. We learnt the BSL sign for this, talked about the meaning and discussed how we have shown very resilient behaviours in the last few days based on the disruption caused by the flooding and the snow.



Weekly Attendance



Key Dates

- Tues 14th Jan - UKS2 Basketball
- Tues 21st Jan - UKS2 Hockey
- Wed 22nd Jan - Y6 SATS meeting
- Tues 28th Jan - Parents Evening
- Wed 29th Jan - EYFS Trip
- Wed 29th Jan - Parents Evening
- Wed 5th Feb - Y5 Museum Trip



Responsibility Champions



Keep those Christmas Jumpers!

Please can we ask that any Christmas Jumpers you no longer require are donated to the PTA in January. I have about 5!!!!

Our plan is to then have a stall at the Christmas Fair where you can then purchase one for a fraction of the shop prices AND have a much greater variety to choose from.

Please bring any donated jumpers to the school office.



Winnie the Pooh Lunch

Thursday 16th of January is the Spring Term Census Day and this data return impacts on next year's funding. The money the school receives from the government to pay for the Infant schools meals is based on an average of the number of meals taken on the census days in October, January and May.

We would like to ensure Thorn Grove receives the maximum possible Universal Infant Free School Meal Funding in order to future proof the success of the school and give our children the best possible resources and staffing.

Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2 will have a school dinner prepared for them and the expectation is for your child to try it.

We would therefore discourage packed lunches for Reception and KS1 pupils on this day.

If you haven't made a meal choice for this Thursday and have not let us know that you don't want your child to have a school meal, the class teacher will, for the census day only, ask the children during registration what meal they would like.

The menu for 16th January has been updated on LunchHound so if you have made a choice previously please login to LunchHound and update your choice.



Snow Days at TGPS



Flood Update

I thought it might be helpful to share some pictures of the recent flood issues at Thorn Grove. Below are two pictures of the water level on 1st January, as you can see completely submerging the boiler room. This has resulted in an extensive piece of work across Stockport where the Estates team are now trying to stop this happening again for other schools across the borough. In the meantime, we have a temporary boiler- see image below. This is heating the school perfectly, however is a very expensive solution and a longer term answer is currently being sought. If there are any further developments I will keep you updated.

