

THORN GROVE GAZETTE

FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY 2025



Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. We have experienced another very busy week at Thorn Grove this week with a trip to Nantwich, the Young Voices Concert, a Basketball final, a visit from the Millie's Trust mascot and continued learning linked to Lunar New Year. All in all another special week at Thorn Grove. I would also like to officially welcome Mrs Tweddle back from maternity leave.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss Vose

Key Dates

Mon 10th Feb - Y6 Mock SATS begin

Tues 11th Feb - Y5 Weaver Hall Trip

Tues 11th Feb - Y4 Parent's Evening

Thu 13th Feb - Y4 Class Assembly

Fri 14th Feb - School Closes

Mon 24th Feb - INSET Day

Tues 25th Feb - School Reopens

Star of the Week

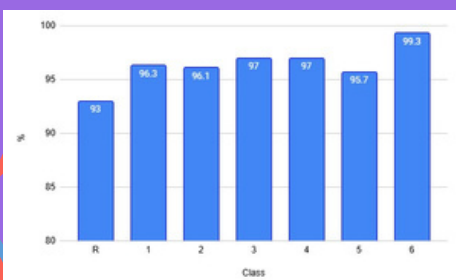


Millie's Trust Assembly

We had an exciting assembly on Monday morning where Jo and Jeffrey came into school to talk to us about their charity. They told us how and why Millie's Trust was started and about the things they do in schools and the local community.

The charity was set up because of an accident that happened to a young person and they aim to teach people about first aid to prevent any further accidents from happening. We are going to raise money for Millie's Trust this year as a school community. (Emily and

Joe - head girl/boy)



Weekly Attendance

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Millie's Trust Fundraising event

As you have read the charity we are supporting at school this term is Millie's Trust as selected by our School Council. The assembly at the start of the week has really inspired our children and we would now love to engage in some fundraising for this local and well deserving charity. Therefore on Friday 14th February we will be having a non school uniform with a donation of £1 per child payable via School Money.

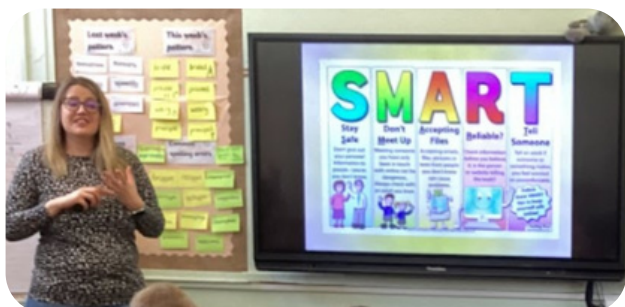
In addition after school we will be selling Krispy Kreme Doughnuts and Hot Chocolate on the Key Stage 2 playground. A single doughnut will be £1.50 and a hot chocolate and doughnut combo will be £2.

Finally, we will be running a Guess the Name of the cuddly Giraffe donated from Millie's Trust- please see picture below. We hope you can help us support this fantastic charity.



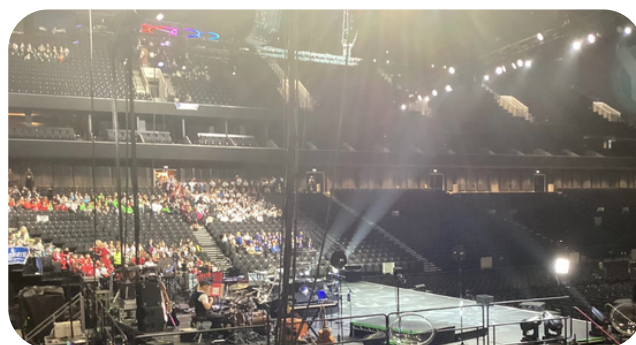
Year 6 E-Safety Visit

Year 6 had a very informative visit from Stockport Youth Justice Service. They discussed all the different forms of social media as well as the benefits and potential risks of using social media. They talked about the importance of making any social media accounts private and finally discussed the SMART principles of online safety.



Young Voices 2025

We had a spectacular day and evening at the COOP Live with the Manchester Young Voices choir. The musical extravaganza at the arena was a huge success! Children displayed remarkable enthusiasm, high spirits, and confidence throughout the event. They sang beautifully, showcasing their talents and dedication. Their performance and behaviour was a fantastic representation of the school and its values. Well done choir - we are really proud!



Safer Internet Day 2025

We celebrate Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 11th February. This year's theme 'Too Good to Be True' links to spam/phishing. The digital leaders will lead an assembly for the children on this day to develop their understanding of this theme.

Please find attached a National Online Safety document and link with some helpful hints and tips for parents and carers.

[Scams parent info -](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1C6VuL6QEKCrvJIVZi9vs6Z5o-QwQSkTd/view)

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[Tips for Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre -](https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2025/tips-for-parents-and-carers)

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Year 1's Dragon Learning

This week, Year 1 have been learning all about dragons. In Monday's storybox session, they met a dragon who was having a hard time at Dragon School! He was struggling to do all the things that dragons should do, so he asked Team Attenborough if they could help him to master all of the right skills. We have written instructions for different dragon skills, helped the dragon to write a letter home to his family, and awarded the dragon with his very own Dragon School certificate. Earlier this week we also had a visit from Wing Ng, a Thorn Grove parent, who taught the children all about the significance of dragons in Asian cultures. The children learnt that dragons are symbols of power, kindness, and prosperity - very different from the scary dragons we know from Western stories.



Basketball Final

This week, we took a team to the UKS2 Basketball Final in Reddish. They got through to this after their success at a previous competition. This involved the children playing a range of games against schools from all over Stockport, who had also made it to the finals. The Stockport SHAPES team commented on the incredibly high standard of basketball that was there this year. The children had a great time, and showed resilience, collaboration and great sportsmanship. We are really proud of them all.



Year 2 Nantwich Trip

On Wednesday, Year 2 took a trip to the Nantwich Museum to learn about the Great Fire of Nantwich. We got to go on a walk around the town to see Tudor houses, the pillories, the Church, and see where the fire started. The children also got to explore a range of artefacts in the museum including a model of an old fire truck. The children also dressed up and took part in some acting, trying to put out the 'fire'. The children were able to make connections between the Great Fire of London, and the fire that occurred in Nantwich. We all learnt a lot, and had a great time too. As always, the children were impeccably behaved, and they were all very responsible. We were very proud of them all.



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