

THORN GROVE GAZETTE

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH 2026



Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. This week we have welcomed a variety of visitors into school to see for themselves the fantastic children, team and curriculum offer we have been working so hard to achieve. It was wonderful to hear the incredibly positive feedback from the Ethnic Diversity Service during their assessment towards the Diversity award. I will share more with you as soon as their findings are published. In addition, I was delighted to see so many parents attending the Mastery in Number parental workshops and working side by side their children using the style of maths we use in our classrooms. .

Have a lovely weekend
Miss Vose

Key Dates

Mon 23rd Mar - Year 6 Robinwood Parent Meeting

Wed 25th Mar - Year 2 Mastering Number Parental
Workshop

Wed 25th Mar - Year 3 Liverpool World Museum Trip

Wed 25th Mar - KS1 Cross Country

Thu 26th Mar - Year 1 Class Assembly

Thu 26th Mar - Year 1 Technology Assembly

Fri 27th Mar - School Closes for Easter

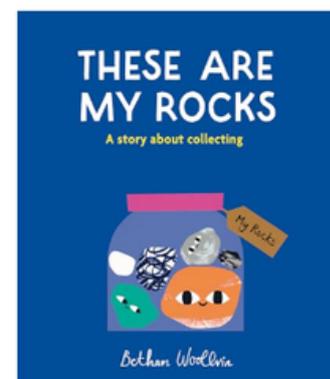


Assembly of the Week - Spark Book Awards: These are my Rocks by Bethan Woollvin

This week in assembly we shared the story, 'These are my Rocks' by Bethan Woollvin. This book is one of the finalists involved in the Sparx Book Awards currently being explored in school. As a group we learnt the BSL sign for collection, discussed other words for collection, thought about our own collections and those of others. Gabriel told us he has a rather large collection of Pokemon cards and Max told me he collects rocks and sticks when he is out and about with his family.



Weekly Attendance



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Mastering Number Parental Workshops

It was wonderful to see so many families join us for our recent EYFS and KS1 Mastering Number workshops. These sessions were a fantastic opportunity for parents to gain a deeper insight into why these daily sessions are so vital for developing children's number sense and fluency.

During the workshops, it was great to see everyone exploring a variety of hands-on activities, showing that engaging with maths can be both **collaborative** and fun! By working alongside their children, parents were able to see first hand how we build the foundations for mathematical **confidence**.

Save the Date: Year 2 Workshop

We are excited to continue this journey with our next session. Please join us for the Year 2 Mastering Number Workshop on Wednesday 25th March at 2pm. We look forward to seeing you there!



Year 4 Class Assembly

On Thursday morning, Team Rundell were delighted to share some of their recent learning in their Year 4 Assembly and we were extremely grateful to have so many families in the audience to share the experience. The children enjoyed showcasing their knowledge across various subjects, including English narratives, the science of the food chain and the digestive system, as well as computing, history and our recent Forest School activities. We even asked lots of questions about fractions. The assembly concluded with a magnificent rendition of our Revolting Rhyme set to music. We are immensely proud of the students for their **confidence**, clear and strong voices, and for their **teamwork**. Well done Team Rundell.



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Year 5 CHS Science Workshop

Team Rauf set off on an expedition to delve into the depths of space to understand more about the solar system and the universe around us. We investigated the brilliant light sources in our galaxy and recapped our knowledge on the Earth's rotation that creates our day and night. By experimenting with light, we mastered the mystery of how shadows are formed and even explored the dramatic alignment of solar and lunar eclipses.

Our cosmic journey didn't stop there! We looked toward the future of energy by studying solar panels and gathered a mountain of "interstellar intel" on the eight planets of our solar system. From tracking the changing phases of the moon to identifying the icy giants and rocky inner planets, our knowledge reached new heights. We always love our visits to CHS and we are looking forward to returning in the summer term.



Eid Mubarak

As the holy month of Ramadan comes to a close, we would like to wish a very happy Eid Mubarak to all our students, staff, and families celebrating this week.

Eid al-Fitr, often called the "Festival of Breaking the Fast," marks the end of Ramadan, the holy month of fasting, prayer, and reflection. It is a joyful time of gratitude, where people come together to celebrate the completion of a month of spiritual growth and self-discipline.

To those taking time off for the festivities, we look forward to hearing about your celebrations next week!



National Sign Language Week - Deaf Base Team Sign Hunt

To celebrate National Sign Language Week, our Deaf Base team is running a fun whole-school activity that all children can take part in: The Deaf Base Team Sign Hunt.

Each class will receive a sheet featuring members of the Deaf Base staff team. From Wednesday 18th March, Deaf Base staff will be wearing badges displaying a BSL sign. When children spot a member of staff, they can ask what the sign means and record it next to that staff member's picture on their sheet.

There is an extra challenge too — all of the signs are linked, with a possible literary theme for children to work out. The challenge will run until Thursday 26th March, giving classes plenty of time to complete their sheets. Some staff are only in school on Wednesdays and Thursdays, so children will need to be especially observant on those days. Prizes will be awarded to all classes who successfully complete the challenge.

For younger children, the Deaf Base team will make sure they are visible around the younger end of school and in the dining hall so everyone has the opportunity to join in.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone take part and wish all classes the best of luck!

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