

THORN GROVE GAZETTE

FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026



Dear Thorn Grove Families,

Welcome to this week's edition of Thorn Grove Gazette. Firstly, I want to wish our Year 6 class all the luck they deserve going into their SATs next week. You have worked so hard and are more than ready to show all the skills and knowledge you have acquired during your primary years of schooling. The breakfast treats are well stacked and the teaching team are ready to support you every step of the way. Y6 parents - please make sure your children get good sleep over the weekend and are reminded how super they are!

Have a lovely weekend
Miss Vose

Key Dates

Mon 11th May - SATS Begin

Fri 15th May - Year 2 Hatworks Trip

Mon 18th May - Reception Vision Screening

Tue 19th May - EYFS Bee Man Visit

Wed 20th May - EYFS Stoller Hall Trip

Wed 20th May - Year 3 Class Assembly

Fri 22nd May - School Closes

Mon 8th June - School Reopens

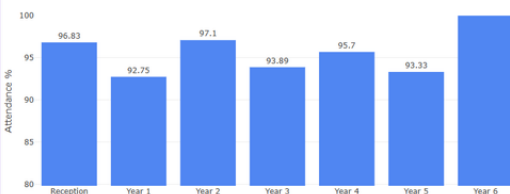
Friday 12th June - Year 6 Air Raid Shelter Trip

Star of the Week



Assembly of the Week - What is an Academy?

In assembly this week, Miss Vose spoke to the children about an important development for Thorn Grove Primary School—our exploration of joining the Laurus Trust. She explained that this is being carefully considered to help the school continue to grow and provide the best opportunities for all pupils. Miss Vose described how the Trust is a group of schools that work together, linking this to our values of being curious, respectful, and aspirational. She also shared how closer **collaboration** with local schools, including Cheadle Hulme Primary, could bring benefits such as shared learning and smoother transitions to secondary school. Children were reassured that Thorn Grove will remain the same caring and inclusive school, and were encouraged to feel proud and positive about the future.



Weekly Attendance

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Mrs Arnold

We would like to let you know that our SENDCo, Mrs Arnold, will be taking some time away from school from the end of next week to undergo planned surgery. We are sure you will join us in wishing her all the very best, and we look forward to welcoming her back once she has made a full recovery.

We will keep you updated regarding her return. In the meantime, for classroom-based queries or day-to-day questions, please contact your child's class teacher. Any other enquiries can be directed to Miss Vose.



Governor Learning Walk

On Friday 24th April over 50% of Governors spent a wonderful morning observing different aspects of normal school life at Thorn Grove.

The purpose of the visit was for Governors to monitor the schools progress with regard to the Governor and school development objectives.

Governors were able to observe, first hand, how the children learnt, behaved and progressed in assembly and through lessons in Phonics, Maths and English. We were also able to watch how teachers and all staff worked together to ensure every child has the opportunity to achieve what they are capable of and more.

In the Star of the Week assembly the children's behaviour is exemplary, as it was throughout the morning. On the whole they were always focussed, kind and helpful towards each other, respectful, confident and above all happy and enjoying themselves, as was everyone. We could see and feel the mutual respect between staff and children all of which led to an extremely positive learning environment for all.

Governor feedback included:

- I have gained a better understanding of the schools continued progress and what teachers actually do
- The uniqueness of each child is amazing and how the staff manage that diversity is outstanding
- I think the teachers are doing a brilliant job as are the children which is acknowledged in many different ways
- Effective changes in marking and feedback to children has supported teachers with their workload.

Year 4 Chester Trip

Last week, Team Rundell were lucky enough to visit The Deva Centre in Chester, and it proved to be an enlightening and thoroughly enjoyable experience. The day offered a fascinating opportunity to explore Roman history in a vivid and engaging manner.

One of the most memorable activities was marching around the city as Roman soldiers. We wore our imaginations with pride as we followed commands and experienced, in a small way, the discipline of the Roman army. In one particularly lively moment, we attacked the adults, who tried to protect themselves with shields. A scary experience for the teachers and helpers.

We also time-travelled back to Roman Britain to find out what life was like for ordinary people and soldiers. We learned about food, sanitation, gladiators, life as a soldier, and many more facts that deepened our understanding of this interesting period in history. A brilliant and successful day out.



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Top Spin Tennis Academy Half Term Tennis Camp

26th May - 29th May

1st June - 5th June

@ Ryecroft Park Sports Club

Book via the
Ryecroft Top Spin Tennis
App now!

Age 4 - 14
All abilities welcome!

Upcoming Camp Dates

3rd August - 28th August

26th October - 30th October



Half Day -	9:00am-12pm or 12:30pm-15:30pm
	Full Day - 09:00am-15:30pm

Members

£15

£25

Non
Members

£17.50

£30

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