

THORN GROVE GAZETTE

FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2026



Happy Friday!

We have well and truly settled into some brilliant learning across the whole school this week! Down in Early Years, our youngest mathematicians have been diving into fantastic number work. Up in KS2, music has filled the corridors as ukulele lessons get into full swing, while fantastic rainforest artwork has been blooming in the Y4 classroom. Combine that with some fascinating historical discoveries as Y2 learn all about famous explorers, and it has been another inspiring, action-packed week.

A huge, warm welcome to all the new members of our PTA! They are already hard at work helping us organise some very exciting upcoming school events - watch this space!

Have a great weekend, Miss Charlotte Brierley

Key Dates

Mon 5th Oct - Y3 Forest Schools Day

Tue 6th Oct - UKS2 Librarian Training

Wed 7th Oct - KS2 Steve Webb Author Visit

Wed 7th Oct - Parents Evening 1

Thurs 8th Oct - Parents Evening 2

Mon 19th Oct - Y4 Forest Schools Day

Wed 21st Oct - Individual School Photos

Star of the Week



Assembly Focus

School of Signs & Deaf Awareness

This week, our whole-school assembly focused on the importance of Deaf Awareness, helping our children understand how we can communicate inclusively and support deaf members of our community.

As part of this commitment, we were excited to introduce the School of Signs initiative to the children! Across KS2, pupils will be actively developing their British Sign Language (BSL) skills through dedicated weekly lessons, and in KS1 children will continue to engage in storytelling, and songs.

We look forward to seeing our children build **confidence**, **empathy**, and valuable new communication skills as they embrace BSL more and more!



Weekly Attendance

Together we nurture curious, respectful, aspirational individuals.

Y3 Front Row Music: Whole class ukulele lessons

Team Africa are loving their Front Row Ukulele lessons so far...

Abigail: "I like learning how to play ukulele."

Noah: "I enjoy playing with other people."



Christian: "We have learned to play 3 different chords- C, F and A major. We played to the song 'Can't Stop the Feeling'."

Support for Families

As we approach the October half-term, we wanted to reach out and share a quick update with you.

We know that school holidays can sometimes bring extra pressure on household budgets. This half-term, we are glad to share that we have the opportunity to provide food bank vouchers for Chelwood Foodbank to any of our families who might find them helpful.

If receiving these vouchers would be of benefit to your family over the break, please get in touch with Miss Vose at laura.vose@tgps.uk. Please be assured that any requests will be handled with the utmost confidence, warmth, and sensitivity.

We are always here to support our school community, so please do not hesitate to reach out.

Weekly Librarian Reads

The book I chose was Matilda because I think that it is inspiring to read and it shows how young kids don't really have to be more or less smarter than higher years. Also it's funny to read the activities she does and feel like I am in the book experiencing her life and the things she has to put up with. This book would be great for readers who want to expand their reading knowledge

Sofia & Anna, Y6 Librarians



Thorn Grove Harvest Festival: Supporting Chelwood Foodbank

The Harvest Festival season is fast approaching! As we celebrate the year's harvest, it is a traditional time for schools and communities to come together and donate food to those in need.

This year, Thorn Grove is proud to support Chelwood Foodbank, a vital local charity that helps struggling individuals and families in our community through times of difficulty.

Chelwood Foodbank supports families year-round. However, after supporting a high number of families over the school holidays, their stock levels have been diminished and they urgently need our help to replenish their shelves.

- Donation Drop-off: Please bring your food donations into school on Friday, 2nd October.
- Harvest Assembly & Collection: Our Harvest Assembly and collection pick-up will take place on Monday, 5th October.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support in helping local families.



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