

THORN GROVE GAZETTE

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2026



Happy Friday!

As we draw closer to the end of term, it has been another fantastic week full of learning, growth, and achievements across the whole school. In Nursery, our youngest learners have settled brilliantly into their daily routines and are showing wonderful new levels of independence every day. Year 2 has blown us away with their fabulous independent writing, while Year 5 has been busy expanding their French vocabulary with great enthusiasm. Out on the court, we were delighted to cheer on our Upper KS2 pupils as they competed in their very first netball tournament of the year - displaying brilliant **collaboration** and sportsmanship throughout.

I was thrilled to step back into the classroom and do some teaching myself this week. Being directly involved in the children's learning is always a highlight, and it was a wonderful reminder of the bright, **curious** minds we have across our school family.

Have a great weekend, Miss Charlotte Brierley

Key Dates

Mon 19th Oct - Y4 Forest Schools Day

Tues 20th Oct - ELS Book Bus Visit

Wed 21st Oct - Individual School Photos

Fri 23rd Oct - PTA Spooky Disco

Fri 23rd Oct - School Closes for Half-Term

Mon 2nd Nov - INSET Day

Tues 3rd Nov - Pupils Return to School

Mon 9th Nov - Y5 Forest Schools Day

Star of the Week



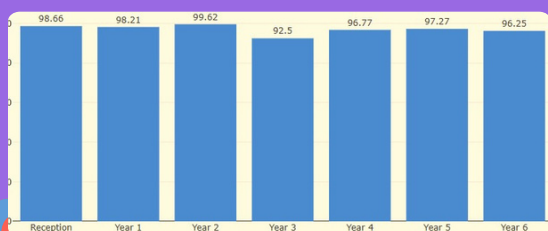
Assembly Focus

In this week's assembly, we revisited one of our core school values: **Collaboration**. Through an engaging team challenge, our pupils explored what it truly takes to work together effectively - learning that great collaboration means listening, encouraging one another, and sharing ideas.

We reflected on how important teamwork is not just during group activities, but every day within our class teams and across our entire school community.



Collaboration



Weekly Attendance

Together we nurture curious, respectful, aspirational individuals

UKS2 Librarian Training

On Tuesday, our UKS2 Librarians completed their librarian training through the Cheshire Education Library Service. They learnt how to categorise different books and practiced looking for clues about the author and genre. They also discussed how best to make recommendations to others and the importance of taking care of our books - both in school and at home. The librarian from ELS was very complimentary of how well our team are looking after the library and contributing to a love of reading around school - well done Sofia, Anna, Noah and Madison.



Upper Key Stage 2 Netball



On Thursday some of our KS2 represented Thorn Grove in the first of our sporting events for this year. We competed in a netball competition at St James High School against other schools in the borough. The children were absolutely fantastic from start to finish. They showed respect, **resilience** and amazing sportsmanship towards each other and the other teams. They represented our school brilliantly and set a fantastic benchmark for all the events to come this year. A big well done to Mobin for winning the spirit of the game award.

Spooktacular October Half-Term Clubs

Fun, active and engaging holiday clubs (run by our partners at LSC) are now available to book for October Half-Term.

Use the above link to book and enjoy a discounted rate of £99 per week (or £34 per day)

Steel Signing Opportunity

A Piece of History in the Making! 🏗️

We are thrilled to give our children a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to sign the steel beams of our new building. Their names and signatures will forever be a permanent part of the school's history! Photos of this special event will be shared next week.

Top Spin Tennis Academy

CAMP DATES
26TH - 30TH OCTOBER 2026

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- TENNIS COACHING
- GAMES & MATCH PLAY
- TABLE TENNIS
- PICKLEBALL
- PRIZES & TREATS
- FOOTBALL
- HOCKEY

WHAT TO BRING

- ✓ Water bottle
- ✓ Hat & sun cream
- ✓ Lunch for full day
- ✓ Snacks for half day
- ✓ Light waterproof jacket

WHY CHOOSE TOP SPIN?

- ✓ Fun, welcoming and supportive atmosphere
- ✓ Opportunities to build confidence and make new friends
- ✓ Suitable for all abilities, from beginners to experienced players
- ✓ A great mix of sports and activities

**SPACES ARE LIMITED
BOOK TODAY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!**

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