

Thorn Primary Newsletter

Autumn 1st Half Term 2024

Diary Dates

Provisional Dates

31st October - Flu Immunisation
7th November - Colour Disco
12th November - KS1 Open Afternoon
28th November - Christmas Fair
29th November -
EYFS Xmas Crafts
2nd December -
Christingle
9th December KS1
Production 6pm
10th December KS2
Production 6pm
17th December Christmas
Panto/Jumper
18th December - Christmas Dinner
19th December - Christmas Parties
20th December - Break- Up 1.30pm



Colour Disco

The children and staff are really looking forward to the disco on

**Thursday
7th
November**

We are looking forward

to seeing your bright and colourful outfits! Thank you to the PTA who are working hard to organise the event and once again thank you to all our parents for your constant support.



Penny Pinching

I would like to thank you all for supporting the Rossendale Hospice Penny Pinching Challenge. The last day to hand in donations is the 5th November. The contributions make a huge difference to the work they can do.



Sports

Our Y5/6 Football Team played at the Valley Leadership Academy, we finished 3rd in our group but won the School Games Values Award for 'RESPECT' the opposition was tough



and we played with passion and determination.

Our Girl's Football Team took part in the Rossendale Girl's Football

Tournament, finishing 1st in their group to reach the finals.



Zach Kierans in

Y5 helped to coach the team and supported the girls.

Five of our Y6 girls went to the Valley Leadership Academy to take part in a Girls' Fun Football Festival. They had a great time



developing their skills and playing matches against teams from Holy

Trinity, The Valley Leadership Academy and BRGS.

Our Y6 pupils have all successfully completed their Sports Leader Training



and are looking forward to developing their roles as Sports

Leaders with the younger pupils. Children in Y3 and Y3/4 have had the opportunity to build on the dance skills they have been developing in PE lessons by taking part in our 'Rock and Roll' after school Dance Club with Natalie from Fusion Dance.

Y5 pupils took to the stage, as they competed against each other in a 'Robin Hood' themed Dance Competition, judged by the amazing Mrs Stocks. We hosted Rossendale's first ever 'Active Play Event' and invited 5 other primary schools to join in the fun, using our outdoor facilities.

Parents Evening

94.9% of parents attended Parents Evening on Tuesday. This is a huge improvement on last year. Thank you for your supporting your children. Many of them have shared with me that they were really pleased with what their teacher's had said about them and they were proud of their successes.

Attendance

You will all have received an attendance slip this week. We are working really hard to ensure all pupils' attendance is at least 96% by



the end of the academic year. You will receive regular updates. The attendance is much improved on this time

last year. Thank you for your support with this.

Punctuality

It is important your child arrives at school on time.

Lessons start at 8.45 prompt.

Lateness not only affects your child's learning, but the remainder of the class and disrupts the start of the day for everyone.



Half Term

**School Closes at
3.15pm Friday 18th**



**October
re-opens
at 8.45am
on**

**Tuesday 29th October
Enjoy the Break!!**

