



Thorndon C of E Primary School

14th February 2025

Thank you to all our children for bringing in the wonderful fruits and vegetables for **Marvellous Maths Day**. I hope you got to see the photos on ClassDojo, lots of learning and fun everywhere!

We have been working on **Character Development** this week in school and have attached our **Character Developments** with this newsletter. It is a great way to demonstrate some of the skills your child will learn whilst they are with us such as learning how to tie their shoelaces, zip up their coats and make their own lunch. These are skills that will help them throughout their lives.

Our '**Zero tolerance to Bullying**' focus has been a great way to engage the children in how they can ensure that they are always kind, caring and considerate to others. The children have been thinking of ways to support others if they are finding friendships hard. This will continue throughout the year. After another fantastic start to the new year, we would like to say a big 'Thank you' to all our Friends of Thorndon School, our Governors, our families and our wonderful children. **We wish you all a Happy Half Term.**

You say, we listen! Our Breakfast Club will now start at 7.45am daily from Monday 24th February. Please sign up via Arbor to book your child's place.

World Book Day – Wednesday 5th March

We are excited to announce that we will have a local award-winning author, Kaye Patten coming into school to share her stories with us. We are also running a fantastic competition and are asking for your photos of the most random place to read a book in. All the information is on our World Book Day letter.

Art Day – Tuesday 25th February

Local Artist Nicola Rodwell will be spending a full day with us on Tuesday 25th February. Known for her knowledge on Lowry's masterpieces, she will be giving each class an individual lesson on different aspects of his work. We can't wait to see what our children come up with.

Work is happening! During half term we will be having work done to the front fencing and outside area. There will also be a skip in the front playground from Monday 24th February, please take care.

Dates for your diary...

25th February – Whole school Art Day with Nicola Rodwell

27th February – Oak Class Forest School

4th March – Willow Class trip to see 'Oliver' at Hartismere

5th March – World Book Day and FOTS Wonka Bar Golden Tickets. Please see the World Book Day letter for more information.

6th March – Oak Class Forest School

Our **Designated Safeguarding Lead** is Ms Hannah Meadowcroft.

Alternative DSL – Mr Daryl Jones and Mrs Bell-Tye

Our **Safeguarding Governor** is Mrs Gooderham.

Please report any safeguarding concerns to a member of the team: via the school office or by telephoning 01379 678392.

Thank you

We have included a letter to our parents from our JRSO team. We ask that you take the time to read this letter which is about parking at school.

Happy Valentines Day 