



# AUTUMN TERM

- We've had a wonderful start to the new academic year.
- The children have returned with great enthusiasm, and it has been especially lovely to see our new starters in Holly Class settling in so well. They have been busy exploring their new environment and engaging in exciting activities.
- There's a real buzz around school as children begin applying for new roles and responsibilities. Discussions are also underway about potential house names, and we're looking forward to seeing the creative ideas they come up with.
- A reminder: Please ensure all house name entries are submitted to Mrs Stone by Friday 19th.

## ★ CLASS DOJO ★

If you have not already done so, please do join our School Class Dojo, this is a great way to see what your child is learning in the week and of course to see who has been started 'Star of the week'



## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There are still some spaces available on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday after school clubs. Please contact the office if you would like to book on.

## REMINDER BREAKFAST CLUB BOOKING CHANGE

- Children attending Breakfast Club must now be booked and paid for via Premier Education website.
- Breakfast Club is no longer booked via Arbor

## CAN YOU HELP?

The Friends of Thorndon are looking for a new Chairperson. All the details are on the attached poster

## CLASS TOPICS

- Each class has now begun their new curriculum topic:
- Willow Class – Maafa
  - This project introduces children to Africa's rich history and contemporary culture, with a particular focus on Benin. Pupils will explore the development of the transatlantic slave trade, Britain's involvement, and the impact of European colonisation. The topic also highlights the global African diaspora and its cultural significance.
- Oak Class – Misty Mountain, Winding River
  - This geography-based project explores the physical features and ecosystems of rivers and mountain ranges around the world. Children will investigate the processes that shape these landscapes and the environments surrounding them.
- Holly Class – Movers and Makers
  - This history-led topic focuses on influential individuals who have made a significant impact on the world. Pupils will use timelines, stories, and historical sources to learn about these figures and understand their contributions through historical enquiry.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ✓ 16th September – School Photographs
- ✓ 23rd September – FOTS meeting, all welcome
- ✓ 25th September – 4pm, All Parents Phonics Event
- ✓ 2nd October – 4pm, Parents Marvellous Maths Event
- ✓ 7th October – Reception children 2026, Parents Open Morning



# HOUSE NAME COMPETITION

Can you come up with the names for this years four school Houses?

We are looking for four new house names, one for each coloured house.

RED  
BLUE  
GREEN  
YELLOW

We look forward to seeing your brilliant ideas!

**ENTRIES TO BE GIVEN TO MRS STONE BY  
FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

## SAFEGUARDING

If you have any concerns you have a duty to report to one of these people



Ms Hannah Meadowcroft  
DSL/Prevent Lead  
Head of School



Mr Daryl Jones  
DDSL/Prevent Lead/Online  
Safety Lead  
Executive Headteacher



Mrs Lorraine Bell-Tye  
DDSL/Prevent Lead  
SENDCO



Mrs Rebecca Gooderham  
Named Governor for  
Safeguarding & PREVENT



### Useful Numbers:

Customer First:  
0800 800 4005

MASH Consultation Line:  
0345 606 1499

Suffolk Police:  
999 (emergency)  
101 (non-emergency)

Lado:  
0300 123 2044

Childline:  
0800 1111  
[www.childline.org.uk/kids](http://www.childline.org.uk/kids)

CEOP:  
[www.ceop.police.uk](http://www.ceop.police.uk)



# RECEPTION OPEN DAY

Open Dates:

October: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am - 11.00am

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - 4.00pm - 5.00pm

November: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> - 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Daily breakfast & after school clubs / full days at our Forest School / plus come & see our brand new outdoor play area!

Please contact the school office to book a place.

☎ 01379 678 392    ✉ [office@thorndonprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@thorndonprimary.org.uk)

📍 Thorndon CE Primary School, The Street, Thorndon, IP23 7JR

🌐 [www.thorndonprimarysuffolk.co.uk](http://www.thorndonprimarysuffolk.co.uk)    📘 Thorndon CEVC Primary



**Bag2School**  
**Clothes and Textiles Collection**  
**Wednesday 5th November 2025**

Please **DROP OFF** bags before 9am on **5th November** in the front playground of Thorndon CEVC school. Alternative drop off is offered outside **Thorndon Community Shop on Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 November**, during shop opening hours. Please use thick bin bags that will protect the items from inclement weather. We can also collect locally. Please contact Clare (Thorndon area) on 07585 973777 or Tanya (Occold area) 07882 946051. This is a great fundraiser for Friends of Thorndon School. Thank you for your support!



## ☀️ We're Looking for a New Chairperson for Friends of Thorndon School! ☀️

Do you love bringing people together and making a difference for our children? Friends of Thorndon School (FOTS) are on the lookout for a new **Chairperson** – and it could be YOU!

After three amazing years, the lovely Tanya will be stepping down at our AGM in November, so we're looking for someone to take the lead and keep the magic going.

Being Chairperson isn't scary – we promise! Here's what you'll do:

- ☀️ Help plan fun events like fayres, discos, and secret shops
- ☀️ Bring fresh ideas and energy to support our school community
- ☀️ Work with a brilliant, friendly team (you'll never be on your own!)
- ☀️ Help decide how funds are spent to give our children those extra special touches
- ☀️ Act as a Charity Trustee

You don't need special skills – just enthusiasm, a smile, and a willingness to get involved. We'll support you every step of the way!



### **Interested?**

Catch Tanya, Suzie, or Laura at pick-up, join us at our next meeting on **Tuesday 23rd September** at school at 3:30pm or email [FOTS@thorndonprimary.or.uk](mailto:FOTS@thorndonprimary.or.uk).

Let's keep making Thorndon School the best it can be – together! 💕