

# Thurlow Church of England (VC) Primary School Newsletter Friday 5th July, 2024



# Laying the foundations for a bright future

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#### A little note from Mrs FitzGerald...

Another busy week here at Thurlow! Our Year 6 pupils thoroughly enjoyed their leaver's outing to Pleasurewood Hills yesterday ~ the children loved all the rollercoasters and rides, even the really scary ones! An enormous thank you goes to Mrs Feakes, Miss Buckle and Mrs Harding for accompanying the children, keeping them safe and ensuring they had a great time.

We also had an inter-school day yesterday with our sister school pupils from Years 3, 4 and 5 joining their counterparts over at Hundon. The two schools combined, in their colour teams, to enjoy a fun-packed day including art, photography, sport and team-building. A further big thank you needs to go to Miss Blackwell, Miss Jeffs, Miss Peacock, Mrs Leaney and Mrs Tobin for organising and running this amazing enhancing day for the children.

We are looking forward to our 'Move Up' days in the coming two weeks as well as our Year 6 Leaver's Presentation on Monday 15th and we look forward to seeing our Year 6 parents, carers and special others there!

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Best regards, Mrs FitzGerald

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please check back regularly as additional dates added as and when activities / visits are confirmed! SUMMER TERM 2024

(Monday 8th July to Wednesday 10th July ~ Stour Valley Transition Days for Year 6)

#### Friday 12th July ~ Annual School Reports distributed

#### MONDAY 15TH JULY ~ YEAR 6 LEAVER'S PRESENTATION at 2.30pm

Year 6 Parents, carers and 'special others' are invited to this special celebration presentation

(Wednesday 17th July to Friday 19th July ~ Unity School Transition Days for Year 6)

### Wednesday 17th July and Thursday 18th July ~ 'MOVE UP' DAYS for all pupils

Friday 19th July ~ LAST DAY OF THE SUMMER TERM

# THURLOW: STAFFING AND CLASS ORGANISATION UPDATE ~ SEPTEMBER 2024

As the end of term looms and with our 'Move Up' days on the horizon we wanted to keep you informed of developments related to staffing and class organisation with the new academic year in mind.

You know we have been very clear in our desire for our four-class structure to continue and as a result have, again, focused on recruitment continuously through the year. Our Class Teacher arrangements will remain much as they are now, allowing colleagues to further build and consolidate their excellent work this year.

One change is that we will be welcoming Miss Catherine Dennison, who has a wealth of Key Stage 1 experience to join our Federation. Miss Dennison will be leading our year 1 and 2's in Bumblebees Class here at Thurlow. Miss Dennison will be with us for our 'Move Up' days so the children will have time to get properly acquainted and has been in school to work with both Miss Allin and Mrs Read-Graves to support the transition of the children.

This does indeed mean we will be saying a fond farewell to Miss Allin who is departing to focus on her passion for supporting children with special educational needs and disabilities as well as their social, emotional, mental health and wellbeing in a mentoring capacity. I know you will join me in wishing her every success in this new venture.

Otters Class (Year 3/4) will continue to be led by Mrs Tipper and Hares Class (Year 5/6) will continue to be taught be Mrs Feakes. Mrs Read-Graves will continue leading our new reception children as Butterflies Class.

Additional learning support for specific individuals and groups of children will continue with our existing learning support team members as well as new colleagues (recruitment is on-going.)

If you have any questions or queries about this please contact me at school.

Warm regards, Mrs FitzGerald