



Thursby Primary School

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Friday 23rd May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have reached the end of another busy, yet successful half term. The staff and I are extremely proud of the resilience and determination shown by all the children in school. We have shared some wonderful successes this term, from welcoming new children and families into our school, to our superb Year 6 children who demonstrated outstanding effort during SATs week.

After School Provision

We are delighted to announce that after school provision will be made available from the 3rd September 2025.

The after-school provision will be available every school day during term time and each session will run from 3.20pm until 5pm. Children can be collected from school before 5pm if needed. All children who attend Thursby Primary School are able to attend the provision including nursery children.

The cost of the provision will be £6 per child, per session. Children will be provided with a snack and drink at the club and will be able to access a wide range of resources and equipment during the sessions. We will be consulting the children as to what types of games, activities and resources they would like to be made available.

Further information such as how to book the provision will be shared before the end of the Summer term.

Thank you all for your support and patience during the organisation of the provision.

Class Dojo

We now have our whole school signed up to Class Dojo. I hope you are all enjoying having a greater insight into the children's learning and achievements. We will continue to share the children's learning and achievements through this platform along with key dates.

A polite reminder that staff will not respond to direct messages sent on Class Dojo. We please ask that the usual methods of contacting school continue. Teachers can be contacted via the class email addresses or by contacting the school office.

Class 1 – class1@thursby.cumbria.sch.uk

Class 2 - class2@thursby.cumbria.sch.uk

Class 3 - class3@thursby.cumbria.sch.uk

Class 4 – class4@thursby.cumbria.sch.uk

Attendance

A reminder that we must receive a completed leave of absence request form for all planned absences and this should be returned to the school at least 14 days before the start of the holiday / planned absence. Forms can be obtained from the school office or via the attendance section on our school website. As always, if you would like to discuss attendance or require any support, please do not hesitate to contact school and we will be happy to help.

PFA

Thank you to our PFA for their continued support for school.

I had the pleasure of meeting the members of the PFA recently to discuss the long-term vision for the school and how the PFA can be an essential part of our school community going forward. All of the amazing work of the PFA helps to enhance the provision and experiences that we are able to provide at Thursby Primary School and therefore has a positive impact for all children that attend our school.

The PFA are continually looking for parents to volunteer and support their events. This does not need to be a big commitment and can be as little as helping out at one or two events from time to time. If you are interested in



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supporting the PFA or would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact the PFA directly. Further information can be found at the end of the newsletter.

Green Foodbank Day 2025

In support of our local foodbank we will be taking part in Green Foodbank Day 2025. On this day children can come to school in non-uniform wearing green, or other colours if they wish, in support of this local charity. In return we will be accepting donations of food for the foodbank. All donations, big or small, will be greatly received and appreciated. Further information, including items that can be donated can be found on the flyer below. Thank you in advance for your support with this charity.

Uniform

Throughout next half term we will be offering quality pre-loved uniform to parents for free or for a small donation. We have collected a sizable amount of uniform and we encourage parents to take as much as you like for your children if you wish. These will be available to view and collect throughout next half term.

Our PFA and school will continue to accept donations of good quality uniform that will be offered to parents. This includes any PE kits, coats or school shoes that you are able to donate.

Currently in school we have a large collection of lost property including many jumpers and cardigans without names. Please ensure that your child's name is labelled in each item of uniform so that these can be returned in future.

Diary Dates

Please find below some important dates for your diary. Further information for each event will be sent out closer to the date. Further dates may also be added and shared throughout next term. All of these dates will also be added to Class Dojo.

Friday 23rd May – Half Term - School closes at normal time for the start of the half term break.

Friday 23rd May – PFA Roller skating - Details on flyer below.

Monday 2nd June – School returns

Monday 2nd June – Year 5 Taster Day at Nelson Thomlinson - All Year 5 children will attend a taster day.

Monday 2nd June – Friday 13th June – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check - During this period all Year 4 children will take part in the statutory multiplication tables check.

Thursday 5th June – Wheelchair Basketball - All children will take part in a wheelchair basketball session alongside a specialist coach.

Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June – Phonics Screening Check - All Year 1 children will take part in the statutory Year 1 phonics screening check during this week.

Thursday 12th June – PFA Father's Day Pop up Shop – Further details will be shared closer to the date.

Monday 16th June – Sports Day - Our sports day for all children will take place from 1.15pm on the Jubilee field. All parents, carers and family members are welcome to attend.

Monday 23rd June – Year 5 Taster Day at Caldew - All Year 5 children will attend a taster day.

Tuesday 24th June – Sports Day Reserve Day - In the event of bad weather on the original date we have a reserve day organised for Sports Day.

Friday 27th June – Green Foodbank Day - In support of our local foodbank children can come to school in non-uniform in return for any donations to the foodbank.



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Monday 30th June – Transition Morning - The children will spend the morning in their new classes working alongside the adults who will be supporting them during the 2025/2026 academic year.

Wednesday 2nd July – Class Photos - A photographer will be in school to take whole class photos.

Tuesday 8th July – KS2 Summer Production - Our KS2 Summer production will take place in the school hall at 9.30am and 1.30pm.

Thursday 10th July – Class 1 trip to Stockwood - Class 1 will take part in a fun filled day of activities at Stockwood.

Wednesday 16th July – Year 6 Trip to Lightwater Valley – Our Year 6 children will be attending Lightwater Valley as a special reward for their hard work during their time at Thursby Primary School.

Thursday 17th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly - We would like to invite the families of our Year 6 children into school at 9.30am for a special farewell leavers' assembly.

Friday 18th July – School closes for the Summer Holidays - School will close at 2pm for the Summer holidays.

Wednesday 3rd September – School returns - School returns for the beginning of Autumn term.

Thank you for your continued support, I hope you all have a fantastic half term,

Kind Regards,

C. Barnes

Mr C. Barnes
Headteacher

**Thursby PFA
Rollerskating
Harraby 3G
Friday 23rd May
5.30-7.30**



£5 per participant.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring own skates and protective wear.

Call Kate to book
07799625692.

Thank you!

NORTH LAKES foodbank **GREEN Foodbank DAY 2025**

Friday 27th June

Wear something **GREEN** and donate to the foodbank

Help your community and have fun at the same time.

Our shelves are empty! So, please give if you can.

Thank you!

Need help with food? Call our helpline. Freephone 0808 208 2138

Please donate from the list.

- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Pasta (500g)
- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Veg (Carrots, Peas, Sweetcorn)
- Tinned Tuna
- Sponge Pudding
- Tinned Fruit
- Biscuits
- Jam
- Baked Beans
- Tinned Potatoes
- Pasta Sauce
- Dried Rice (500g)
- Cereal (approx 350g)

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THURSBY SCHOOL

JOIN THURSBY SCHOOL PFA TEAM!

We are seeking volunteers to support our fundraising activities and events in school and the community.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
"All help is appreciated, no matter how much or little."

INTERESTED?
Email us: thursbypfa@gmail.com
or message us via the Thursby School PFA Facebook page

