

Illegal Parking

Please park responsibly when driving your children to school. This week there has been an incident where 2 cars were parked illegally; one was not even by a kerb, but over the school driveway. One of our parents informed us and information has been sent on to West Yorkshire Police. Your children's safety is the most important consideration, so please do not park on the zig zag lines or over driveways etc.

Art Week

Next week we are having 'Art Week' where teachers will have a focus on expressing learning through art lessons. This is always an event that children look forward to and we would like to invite parents to join us on Friday 13th October at 2.30pm for a drop in to share the work that has been done. Please go to your child's door where a member of staff will greet you and take you to your child's class. If you have more than one child, you will be able to see the work in your other child's class— please just let a member of staff know.



MacMillan Coffee 'Morning'

Thank you to everybody who supported the 'Bake Off' and came along to raise money for MacMillan Cancer Support. You helped us to raise **£283-49** for this incredibly worthy cause. Anybody who has been supported by this organisation will know just how valuable their work is. **Thank you** everybody!



Year 3 and Year 4 Performance

We know that some parents have been unhappy at the thought that they will not be able to see their child in a nativity performance at the end of this term. As we have previously said, the reason for looking to move this to the end of the spring term was simply to allow the children a better chance to practise and for them to be fully prepared. Something that we think is reasonable.

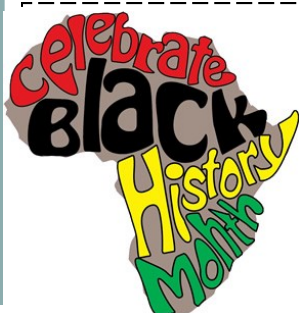
We have asked parents, if they have strong feelings about this, to let us know by email and, out of the 30 responses we have received, 28 prefer an autumn performance. Some of you have expressed your disappointment that we have even considered this as we have easily managed it in previous years, but in fact, this has not been easily managed, hence the reason for looking into putting something on at a different time.

Having said that, we appreciate that some parents feel strongly about this, and so we will have an autumn performance, with rehearsals taking place in classrooms.

Black History Month

This month, school is celebrating 'Black History Month' and, over the next couple of weeks in particular, teachers will be planning learning around this. This is a great opportunity to reinforce our teaching of tolerance which fits well with our value of respect.

If you would like to find out more about this, please visit www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk



Harvest

Just a reminder as a letter has been sent about our Harvest Celebrations. Years 3 and 4 will be leading an event in St. James' Church on Tuesday 17th October at 10am. We are collecting non-perishable items of food to donate to those who are needy. Please send anything you would like to donate into school—however small, we will be very grateful.



Book Swap

Years 1 and 2 are having a book swap on Friday 20th October, our final day of half term. Please make a note of this. Children will be able to bring a book of their choice that they have finished reading, and then swap it for a different book that appeals to them.



We are trying to encourage reading and hope you are enjoying the Book Worm sessions. Don't worry if you can't make these every week but please feel welcome to come when you can.

Our office staff are always happy to help you..... Please contact us if you would like our help.

We ask that you treat us kindly; we will always try our best to put you in touch with the right member of staff if we cannot help you with your query. Please give us a ring on 01274 833839.

Alternatively, email us at tps.responses@focus-trust.co.uk

Also, please visit our website www.thorntonprimary.co.uk, Twitter (TPSBD13) and Facebook ([Thornton Road Primary School](https://www.facebook.com/ThorntonRoadPrimarySchool)) pages.



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Thursday 12th October	Thorum — to discuss Invacuation and New Assessment Procedures 2.30pm and 6.30pm
Thursday 12th October	Year 6 Drop In 2-3pm
Friday 13th October	Art Drop In for all parents at 2.30pm
Tuesday 17th October	Harvest Festival at St James Church for Years 3 & 4 — 10am
Tuesday 17th October	Year 1 Drop In 2-3pm
Wednesday 18th October	Nursery Diwali/Bonfire Open Day
Wednesday 18th October	Parents Evening
Thursday 19th October	Year 2 Drop In 2-3pm
Friday 20th October	Finish for half term (Book Swap Day)
Monday 30th October	Start of new half term
Wednesday 1st November	Year 4 Drop in 2-3pm
Thursday 9th November	Reception Open Day 9-10am and 2-3pm
Tuesday 14th November	Year 5 Drop in 2-3pm
Tuesday 21st November	Year 3 Drop in 2-3pm
Tuesday 12th December	Year 1 Christmas Show
Tuesday 12th December	Nursery Christmas/Winter open day - for Ants, Bees & Crickets children
Wednesday 13th December	Years 5 & 6 Christmas Concert at St James Church—time to be confirmed
Thursday 14th December	Nursery Christmas/Winter open day - for Tadpoles, Caterpillars & Crickets children
Thursday 14th December	Year 2 Christmas Production 2pm
Friday 15th December	Reception Christmas Production 2pm
Monday 18th December	Year 3 Christmas Production at 2pm
Tuesday 19th December	Year 4 Christmas Production at 2pm
Wednesday 20th December	Christmas Sing-a-long at 2.30pm Finish for the Christmas break
Thursday 4th January 2018	Start of the spring term
Thursday 25th January 2018	Training Day ***school closed***



Please look on our website calendar for further details of forthcoming events