

Thornton Primary School

Newsletter No.18 – June 2018



Summer Gala / Football Tournament

Please come along to our Summer Gala / Football Tournament on Saturday 30th June. The gala is open from 11am and there will be lots of attractions, including Bradford Dragons Basketball, Bradford City with Billy Bantam, Tombola, Wine and Water, Ice Cream, Sweets, Drinks, Hot Dogs, Burgers and lots more games and attractions.

We would really appreciate your support on the day or on the Friday afternoon setting up. If you could help out in any way, please contact Mrs. Howard at school.

Permission Slips / Contact Numbers

Please remember to return the forms that have gone out to request your permission for different consents in school. All previous permissions have been wiped and we are starting afresh due to the new GDPR regulations, so if your child does not have permission slips returned, we will be unable to post photos on social media until you return them. I know this might seem like an inconvenience, but we will not have to send them out again in September 2018, so this will be done for the whole of next year.
Thank you.

School Ties



If your child is leaving Thornton Primary and would like to donate their school tie, we would be very grateful for any spares that we could use for children who forget or those who start part way through the year to allow some time for them to order one. Please send them in for Mrs Howard. Thank you!

Governor Awards Evening

A date for your diary is our Governor Awards evening on Tuesday 17th July. We have managed to book Bingley Arts Centre for this event which will be held at 7pm enabling more parents to attend. This is an invitation only event, for those parents whose children will be presented with an award, and will replace the one that we usually hold in the school hall. Unfortunately, Year 5 will be on their residential visit so we will hold a special event for them in school. We hope to make this an annual event and will make sure next year that all children can attend.



Social Media Comments

There have been many comments on Facebook that I have become aware of, criticising school for many reasons. The comments are from a minority of parents and often countered by comments from others who do not share the same opinion. These include not posting photos of your children on our own Facebook page, decisions about contributions for non uniform days and trips, contributions generally that some parents feel they are being asked to give too much, funding (specifically with us being an academy) and other personal issues some of you have with school and the leadership team.

There are proper channels through which to voice your opinions if you wish to bring things to our attention. The TPS Mums group, and Facebook in general, is not a platform that is appropriate for this. It just creates bad feeling. Lots of comments are based on rumour and misinformation and not on any fact so are untrue. You have many choices about whether to take part in a variety of events and trips and whilst there may be an associated cost, the choice is yours. Even though I eventually get to hear about some of the comments, I am unable to deal with any of them because you have not brought them officially to my attention.

Could I please ask that if you would like to make your opinion known to school, that you use the tps.responses@focus-trust.co.uk email, call in to the office or make an appointment to see somebody in school. Thank you to all parents for your continued support,

Mrs Davison.

Keeping Safe Online—Session for Parents.

A session has been arranged for parents to attend. One of the police officers responsible for e-safety and cyber bullying will lead this and allow parents the opportunity to discuss any concerns and ask questions. This is becoming a huge area of concern, and as mostly this happens when children are not in school, this will be a really useful session for parents. He will talk about the laws and punishments around online activity and social media. At the end of the session PC Luke Carson will give some tips about how you can help keep your children safe while online.
This session will be on Thursday 19th July at 6-7pm.



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

Please note there are some new diary dates below. We do our best to try and give as much notice as possible and will let you know as soon as we can if there are any changes. **Year 1 Show & Tell is now on 12th July.**

Date	Event
Saturday 30th June	Football Tournament and Gala
Monday 2nd-Friday 6th July	Transition Week (parents invited in on Wednesday 4th July in the afternoon at 2.45pm)
Tuesday 3rd July	Outdoor Session. Please send in suitable clothing. AM Y5 Magpies PM Y5 Wallabies
Monday 9th July	Outdoor Session. Please send in suitable clothing. AM Y6 Giraffes PM Y5 Dolphins
Tuesday 10th July	Outdoor Session. Please send in suitable clothing. AM Y6 Meerkats PM Y6 Gazelles
Tuesday 10th July	Nursery Show & Tell—2.30-2.50pm Ants, Tadpoles & Crickets
Wednesday 11th July	Year 6 Blackpool Trip
Thursday 12th July	Nursery Show & Tell—11-11.20am Bees, Caterpillars & Crickets
Thursday 12th July	Year 1 Show & Tell 2.30pm (in classrooms)
Thursday 12th July	Year 2 Show & Tell 2.30pm
Friday 13th July	Super Learning Week Parent Drop In at 2.15pm
Monday 16th to Wednesday 18th July	Year 5 Residential to Ingleborough Hall
Monday 16th July	Outdoor Session. Please send in suitable clothing. AM Y3 Butterflies PM Y3 Ladybirds
Tuesday 17th July	Outdoor Session. Please send in suitable clothing. AM Y3 Dragonflies PM Y4 Foxes
Tuesday 17th July	School Presentation Evening and Governor Awards 7pm Bingley Arts Centre
Wednesday 18th July	Outdoor Session. Please send in suitable clothing. AM Y4 Hedgehogs PM Y4 Badgers
Wednesday 18th to Friday 20th July	Year 6 Residential to Robinwood Barhaugh Hall
Tuesday 24th July	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly—2pm
Tuesday 24th July	Year 6 Leaver's Party—6pm
Wednesday 25th July	Picnic Day. School closes for the summer holiday.
Monday 3rd September	Start of new term.
Tuesday 4th September	Meet the new teacher—in classrooms at 3.30pm, 4pm and 4.30pm.
Wednesday 12th September	Book Worm sessions
Tuesday 16th October	Parents' Evening 3.30-8pm.
Wednesday 17th October	Book Swap



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