

# Thirsk Community Primary School 01.10.2021

#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Ms. Trenholme and to Mrs. Wall. On Thursday evening Ms. Trenholme and Mrs. Wall took part in the live Northern Echo Education awards ceremony. Mrs. Wall had been nominated for the Early Years/ Primary School teacher of the year for her work in Early Years and especially her work during school closure and Ms. Trenholme had been nominated for School Supporting staff member of the year for her work with school sports and curriculum enrichment. Both Ms. Trenholme and Mrs. Wall shared some of the fantastic work that they have done for our school and were both very worthy runners up. We are all very proud of the achievement of Ms. Trenholme and Mrs. Wall and of all of our fantastic staff team at Thirsk Community Primary School.

#### **Dodge ball**

Yesterday marked the first interschool sports competition since the beginning of the pandemic, so it was a real special moment when ten of our year 4 pupils went over to the High School to take part in a dodgeball competition. All the pupils that took part looked thrilled to be representing the school and I know that they did their absolute best.

#### Covid

As we all expected, the number of Covid cases locally is beginning to increase. If your child has any of the identified COVID symptoms, please get them tested. Do not come to school until this has been done and you have received a negative result from a PCR test. This will help prevent the spread of the disease and help to keep others safe. Under the new guidance, close contacts of someone that has tested positive are able to continue to attend school but please be very aware of any symptoms beginning to develop.

#### Autumn is coming/ here!

What a difference a week makes! Gone is the sun and back is the rain. Please make sure that your child has a school jumper/ cardigan and a coat for school. Even in damp weather we try to head outside at break time and lunchtime. Please also make sure that your child's clothes are carefully labelled. We do have lots of similar looking jumpers and jackets —a name makes matching them back up with their owner a lot easier!

#### Speeding and car park safety

We have had a lot of complaints over this last week with regards to parents stopping right at the outer gates and dropping children off there. The children then have to walk across the car park, which is not ideal and there has been some near misses. Speeding has also been an issue. Please remember that it is a 5mph speed limit coming into the school grounds.

Please remember to order your PTA Halloween disco tickets from the PTA page and complete the form sent via Email.

#### Census Day Special Lunch

We are to have a Special Lunch on Thursday, 7th October. Lunch will



Margherita Pizza

Peas & BakedBeans Potato Smiles

Upside Down Apple Slice & Ice-cream

# Friends of Thirsk Community Primary School PTA

Friday 15th October Y1, 283 - 4-4:45 pm Y4,586-5-6pm

Tickets can be ordered through the

Cost £3.50 to include a hotdog and unlimited drinks.

There will also be a tuck shop selling crisps, sweets, glowsticks, tattoo and UV face paint so please bring some



Is the confidence in your kid(s) not where you want it to

Do they struggle with putting themselves forward or perhaps hold back from answering questions in class?

It might be that they feel judged by others or they are simply not experiencing 'life' in a way that allows them to get the most out of experiences.

If you answered yes, nodded your head as you read this or simply thought 'that's my (insert name of child here)' hen get yourself booked into October's FREE Parenting Clinic on Zoom with Anisa Lewis, Parenting Coach.

https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic

ail: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

Free Parenting Clinics

Anisa Lewis Positive Parenting



#### **AUTUMN ACTIVITIES 2021**



#### WARHAMMER WARGAMES CLUB

Starts weekly Monday 27th September 3.45 – 4.45pm Years 4 to 9 children Cost £2 per child

Suitable for both beginners and more experie

Learn quick and simple Warhammer game rules to get straight into Learn quick and simple Warnamner game rules to get straight into battle! Try out different ways of painting figures; learn to make your own battlefield scenery; have the chance to try out other gaming with Lord of the Rings, Mechwarrior, Tanks, Doctor Who, Star Wars and Battle Cars. The scenery and figures for games will be provided but you can bring your own if you wish. Booking essential: emil library@thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk or phone 01609 534589.





#### **LEGO CLUB**

Starts weekly on Tuesday 28th September 3.45 – 4.45pm Cost £1 per child

Calling all lego builders and creators out there to our after school Lego Club suitable for children aged 5 and over. Lego is provided and each week we shall have a different them. Booking essential. E: <a href="mailto:library@thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk">library@thirskcommunitylibrary.org.uk</a>

#### STORYTIME MONDAYS

Weekly from Monday 27th September 11.15 - 12noon All pre school children welcome

Enjoy stories, rhymes and songs and activities for young children in the library. Just turn up; no

#### Attendance

Class	% attendance this
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	week (all pupils)
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Sutton (Y1)	89.5
Roseberry Topping (Y2)	94-7
Helvellyn (Y <sub>3</sub> )	94-7
Scafell (Y <sub>4</sub> )	94.5
Snowdon (Y <sub>5</sub> )	96.6
Ben Nevis (Y6)	95.7
Total	93.7

### **Dates for Your Diary**

#### **September**

29th Keyboard lessons 30th Guitar lessons

#### **October**

7th X Country Competition
6th PTA AGM online
7th High School Open Eve
14th Football Competition
15th Halloween Disco





# **Late or Absent Children**

Please remember to call the school office if your child is ill or absent for any reason. Please also remember the school start time for your child, as we have had lots of late arrivals this week!

#### **Thank You**

#### A reminder of school times are:

	Drop off	Collection
Hive	AM 8.40-12.00	PM 12.00-3.10
KS <sub>1</sub>	8.50am	3.15pm
KS <sub>2</sub>	8.50am	3.20pm

# Please Note—NEW DATE on Calendar



# School Term and Holiday Dates 2021/2022 Queens Jubilee Amended

# Calendar

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Bank Holiday
School Holiday
Professional development/fraining days

Pupils must be taught for a minimum of 189 days. The number of term days shown is 191. Three recommended professional development (PD) days for teaching staff have also been highlighted;

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pupils will not attend school on these days.
Schools will need to identify a further two PD days from the calendar. Please could you send your remaining two PD days to the Education Office, Harrogate via email schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk when you have agreed them.

# A massive congratulations to Mrs Wall and Ms Trenholme

#### **GEMMA Wall** Thirsk Community Primary School

SINCE meeting Mrs Wall in September 2019 she has been an absolutely amazing teach-

My son Leo was in her nursery class when Covid hit last year. There were regular videos uploaded to help the children and phone calls home to see how we were getting on.

With the children due to start reception in September 2020, the whole Early Years Foundation Stage had a shake-up and became the Hive, so Mrs Wall could transition with the children.

She believed starting school would be a bit daunting and wanted to support the children the best way she could. Because of this it was pretty much a seamless move for the kids.

Then we had lockdown again this year. Again she was fantastic with the children and also the parents. We



had weekly Zoom meetings where everyone got together which really helped with the isolation.

She also deserves the nomination purely for the daicostumes and dancing - something she even roped her husband into.

Mrs Wall really does put the kids first.





ALEXANDRA (Ali) is a pillar within Thirsk Community Primary School and has been a constant source of information, enthusiasm and determination throughout the last 18 months, working throughout the pandemic to ensure the staff and pupils have had everything they need - from first aid to a friendly ear ready to listen.

Ali has gone above and beyond this year.

She organised our recent Enrichment Week, bringing not only magic science into all the classrooms but also a life-sized T Rex and her babies, filling the hall of Thirsk Community Primary with laughter, giggles and excitement - sounds we haven't heard for a long time.

She is already busy planning the next Enrichment



Week with events ranging from climbing walls to wheelchair basketball and visits from international rugby players to ensure all the pupils experience and enjoy the activities.

Ali is a committed member of the PTA and has also taken on the role of Active Girls Leader, promoting, marketing and championing young girls within the school.

