

Thurgoland

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Learning together in Faith and Joy

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Welcome back. We hope that you have had a wonderful time over the summer.

We are all looking forward to another exciting year. As always we aim to work with you closely to ensure that our children are happy, healthy and well-rounded individuals who enjoy learning and achieve well.

Please do not hesitate in coming to see us if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

There have been one or two changes over the summer....

We would like to welcome Miss Lane, who is teaching in Class 4 this year, and Mrs Marrison has joined us as a teaching assistant and is working in Class 2.

Congratulations to Miss Bramwell, who was married over the summer and is now Mrs Roebuck.

Miss Furniss will be starting her maternity leave next week. We would like to send her our love and best wishes.

Well done to all our pupils for making such a good start to the new school year – we are particularly impressed with our new reception class; they settled in so well today.

Parents Information Evening

Please join us on Thursday 14th September when the school will be open from 3:30. This is a good opportunity to meet with teachers and pick up further information about your child's class. Mrs Brook will be on hand in Class R to provide information to reception parents about how phonics is taught. Refreshments will be available and at 4:15 Mrs Brown will give a brief presentation in the school hall. We hope to see you then.

**Mrs Brown's
Star of the Week:
Lucy in Class 3 for
being so helpful and
polite**

**Class of the Week
Class 5 – a great start to the
new year!**

Autumn Term Dates

New Parents Coffee Morning

Parents of our new reception pupils are welcome to join us this Friday morning for a cuppa and a chat. Please pop into the library after drop off.

Thursday 14th September – Parents' information evening

9th October – Internet Safety Week

Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th October – parents' evenings 4pm-7pm – please note this has changed

Thursday 26th October – flu vaccinations Class R to 4

Thursday 26th October – break up for half term

Friday 27th October – Teacher Training Day

Monday 6th November – back to school

Thursday 9th November – PFSA disco

Monday 27th November – Governing Body meeting

Thursday 14th December - Christmas dinner

Infant Nativity in church - Tuesday 19th,

Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st December

Friday 22nd December – Break up for Christmas holiday

Music lessons

If your child is interested in learning to play the flute, clarinet, violin or a brass instrument please pop into the school office and let us know.

We are currently working to place pupils who are on the waiting list for guitar and keyboard.

After School Clubs

Week commencing Monday 18th September

Monday	Knitting club for years 3 to 6 - lunchtime – Mrs Brook Gardening for years 2 to 6 – Mrs Brown - wellies and outdoor clothing required
Tuesday	Autumn term sport for year 4 and 5 – Mrs Barton
Wednesday	Hockey year 6 – Mrs Barton
Thursday	Choir years 2 to 6 - Mrs Davies Running club 3:30 – 4pm years 1 to 6 – Mrs Harding Mrs Phillips –meet on the school field – pupils to wear school uniform and trainers
Friday	Eco club year R to 2 - lunchtime - Ms Lukacs Miss Banford – meet in Class 1

All clubs are after school - 3:30 until 4:30 - unless otherwise stated.

We will also be offering dance, gymnastics and yoga in the coming weeks.

Mrs Barton continues to provide sports activities for all pupils at lunchtimes.

Pupils will be bringing home a pupil information sheet, media consent form and home school agreement this week. We would be grateful if you could complete and return them as soon as possible. Thank you.

Home School Agreement

There are slight changes to the agreement this year; it now contains specific statements about morning routines. As you know, parents are always welcome to come in to school to talk to their child's teacher, either before or after school. However, we ask that after 8:50 parents come to the school office if they have any information to pass on about their child. Mrs Brown or another member of staff will be available to speak to and a meeting/ phone call with the class teacher can then be arranged at a mutually convenient time.

We also ask that all pupils from classes 1 to 6 be encouraged to come into school independently this year. This is to allow teachers and pupils to make a quick start to the school day.

Thank you for your support.

School Meals

The cost of school meals is now £1.90.

Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils are still eligible for free school meals and we would encourage families to take advantage of this. Kitchen staff work hard to provide delicious and nutritious meals - we are sure that the children in these classes currently bring packed lunches would enjoy them!

PFSA - IMPORTANT NOTICE

The first PFSA meeting will be at Thurgoland School in the staff room at **7pm on Monday 18th September**.

Please note that both the current Chair and Secretary of the PFSA intend to step down this month.

This means that unless these positions are filled at the first meeting in September when the above resignations become official, the PFSA will fold.

The PFSA also needs more active support to be able to continue - just stepping in to cover a stall at the Fun Day or at a disco can make a vital difference.

The PFSA are responsible for organising and running the school discos and various social evenings enjoyed by both children and parents alike. They also provide refreshments at school events.

Not only do these events bring the school and community together, they also help to raise extra funds for the school. In recent years the PFSA has funded the purchase of iPads, art materials, dictionaries, new play/educational equipment of the teachers' choice for each class, equipment for school clubs - the list is endless. On top of this the current PFSA secured funding for the new playground equipment used by the children on a daily basis. So, as you can see the PFSA plays an important role in school life and without them, activities such as the school discos will cease.

We'd like to invite you to become part of this crucial group by attending the first meeting in September and taking over where last years' committee has left off.

- Week Beginning Dates **4th September, 25th September, 16th October**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1					
Dish of the Day 1	Hot Dogs	Gammon & Pineapple	Pork Steak	Cheese & Onion Quiche	Fish Fingers
Dish of the Day 2	Spaghetti Bolognese	Chicken Curry	Cheese & Bacon Pasta Bake	BBQ Chicken	Beef Burger
Oven Baked Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato and Cheese	Jacket Potato with Coleslaw	
Vegetables	Baked Beans, Potato Wedges, Garlic Bread	Peas, Carrots, New Potatoes, Rice, Naan Bread	Carrots, Broccoli, Mashed Potato, Garlic Bread	Peas, Sweetcorn, Salad, Potato Waffles	Mushy Peas, Spaghetti Hoops, Chips
Desserts	Jelly & Fruit	Mandarin Sponge Buns & cream	Rice Pudding & Jam	Iced buns	Chocolate Brownie

Week Beginning Dates **11th September, 2nd October, 23rd October**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 2					
Dish of the Day 1	Chicken Burger in a bun	Salmon Fingers	Chicken Breast	Macaroni Cheese	Fish Fingers
Dish of the Day 2	Lasagne	Meat & Potato Pie	Sweet & Sour Pork	Savoury Mince Hot Pot	Sausages
Oven Baked Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Cheese	Jacket Potato with Coleslaw	
Vegetables	Sweetcorn, Jacket Wedges, Garlic Bread, Salad	Carrots, Peas, New Potatoes, Salad	Carrots, Peas, Roast Potatoes, Rice	Broccoli, Green Beans, Mashed Potato	Peas, Baked Beans, Chips
Desserts	Rice Krispie Buns	Cherry Crumble & Cream	Apple Pie & Custard	Cheesecake	Artic Roll

Week Beginning **18th September, 9th October**

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 3					
Dish of the Day 1	Beef Burger in a bun	Sausage	Shepherd Pie	Cornish Pasty	Fish Fingers
Dish of the Day 2	Chicken Tikka Skewers	Cheese Wraps	Chicken Fillet	3 Bean Chilli	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
Oven Baked Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	
Vegetables	Baked Beans, Potato Waffles	Peas, Green Beans, Mashed Potato, Salad Rice	Broccoli, Sweetcorn, New Potatoes	Green Beans, Carrots Potato Wedges, Baked Beans	Spaghetti Hoops, Peas, Chips
Desserts	Peach Crumble & Cream	Choc Sponge & Choc Sauce	Strawberry Whip	Trifle	Ice Cream Tub