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Dear Parents, Governors & Friends,

The teachers have spent a great deal of time planning and organising Hook Days as well as going on pre-visits ready for the many educational visits that are due to take place. The children's enthusiasm throughout is always a pleasure to see which inspires the teachers to go above and beyond what is expected. As always I receive lots of feedback on the outstanding behaviour of the children when they are both in and out of school which is always good to hear, if not expected.

23 February			01 March		
Owl Class	-	Floriana Naulumatua	Owl Class	-	Javin Thapa
Osprey Class	-	Juliet Smith	Osprey Class	-	Miriama Naulumatua
Falcon Class	-	James Morgan	Falcon Class	-	Mikayla Nyathi
Kestrel Class	-	Mimi Randall	Kestrel Class	-	Nikola Waterman
Raven Class	-	JJ Nash	Raven Class	-	Ellie-Mae Atkinson
Merlin Class	-	Isaac Dallimore	Merlin Class	-	Sophie Taylor
Hawk Class	-	Ieuan Worgan	Hawk Class	-	Charlie Thornton
Eagle Class	-	Thea Jennings	Eagle Class	-	Riley Reith-Van Beers
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Owl Class	-	Ivy Billups			
Osprey Class	-	Rory Walker-McClimens			
Falcon Class	-	Bea Malone			
Kestrel Class	-	Hope Earney		~	
Raven Class	-	Ellis Bowman			
Merlin Class	-	Lucy Bull			
Hawk Class	-	Felix Palmer Ward			
Eagle Class	-	Sala Naiyaga			

Platinum Reading Awards - 100 Reads

Congratulations to the following children for reaching their Platinum Reading Certificate:

Owl Class Osprey Class	Jack Watts and Henrietta Mansfield Arthur Baldry, Ottilie Woolf, Isobel Pitcher, Archie Mercer and Henry Le Poidevin
Falcon Class:	James Morgan, Philippa Mansfield, Atonio Rede, Charlie Smith, Isla Cotterill and
	Hugo Stacey-King
Kestrel Class	Harry Woolf and Eva Smith
Raven Class	Reuben Starkey
Merlin Class	
Hawk Class:	Felix Palmer Ward, Hangsham Limbu and Phoebe Rose
Eagle Class:	Mollie Robson, Millie Carroll and Harry Smith

Falcon Class Army Day

I would just like to say a big thank you to Mr Lawes for orgainsing this experience for Falcon Class. They were extremely excited and learnt a great deal about the British Army and the equipment they use. All the soldiers that helped out were extremely helpful in explaining their roles in the military and what they wore, ate and used when on operations. This was a fantastic way for the school to interact with our community and it was much appreciated by the staff and children.



Class Curriculum Letters - https://www.thorneyislandcps.org.uk/Curriculum%20Letters.html

These contain useful information and website links to help you support your child with their learning. Anything that you can do at home is very much appreciated and makes such a difference to the progress children make and the enthusiasm they show for school and learning.

School Disco

A great time was had by all. Your support with bringing in tins for the food bank in Chichester was also much appreciated – helping us to achieve our Mission Statment of making a positive contribution to others.





Netball Tournament



The team played extremely well winning 3 out of the 4 games that they played against Southbourne and Funtington. 6 - 0, 0 - 1, 6 - 1 and 2 - 0. They showed excellent sportsmanship and I would just like to thank Miss Goss and Miss Reeves for taking the children and refereeing all the games.

School Councillors

Eagle Class	Anna Edwards	Harry Smith
Hawk Class	Phoebe Rose	Hangsham Limbu
Merlin Class	Amarah Daniel	Lucas Cockerill
Raven Class	Elizabeth Ngugi	Choegyal Tamang
Kestrel Class	Elsie Jennings	Finlay Mercer
Falcon Class	Violet Shawashi	Toby Atkinson
Osprey Class	Elsie-Belle Edmonds	River Sheehan
Owl Class	Belle Anderson	Rupert Malone

At half term the children in each class elect new School Councillors for Year R to Year 5. The Year 6 School Councillors remain the same for the whole year so as we have continuity across the year for key projects. The children have to prepare and delivery a speech and are elected using a democratic process in line with the British Values that schools are meant to uphold.

Play And Share - Owl Class

This must have been one our best ever attended sessions and I would just like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents who were able to attend and make this such a memorable experience for the children. We do understand that not all working parents can make it so we will be organising another session in the Summer Term.





Dance Club Perform at Dance House in Worthing

The message From Jill Hoskins (Dance House Director) says it all - I just wanted to say a huge 'Thank You' to yourself and Thorney Island CP for your ongoing support of Dance House, it means so much to me. Your children were a delight to have at the theatre (as always), both during the rehearsal and at the evening performance, a credit to your school. They performed beautifully and certainly drew a huge cheer from the audience, they helped to make the evening a great success.



World Book Day

I would just like to say a big thank you to all the parents for their effort in making this such a successful day and to to all the staff and children for embracing the spirit of 'World Book Day'. Reading is such a vital life skill which often opens up a world of pleasure and interest for many children.



DIARY DATES 2024

15 March	Comic Relief - non-school uniform
18-20 March	Eagle Class residential visit to Runways End
26 March	Clarinet Assemblies - Merlin Class 9.30 - Raven Class 10.30
28 March	Last day of Spring Term
15 April	First day of Summer Term
1 May	Osprey Class to Marwell Zoo
3 May	Falcon Class to Arundel Castle
8 May	Owl Class to Staunton Farm
9 May	Hawk Class to Dell Quay
13-17 May	KS2 SATs week
22 May	Owl Class Play & Share
24 May	INSET Day - children <u>do not</u> attend school on this day

Term Dates 2023/2024

02 January 2024	Start of Spring Term
12-16 February 2024	Half Term
28 March 2024	End of Spring Term - Break up for Easter Holiday
15 April 2024	Start of Summer Term
6 May	Bank Holiday
24 May	INSET DAY
27-31 May 2024	Half Term
24 June	INSET DAY
23 July 2024	End of Summer Term - Break up for Summer Holiday

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Friday 20 October 2023 Monday 30 October 2023 Monday 19 February 2024 Friday 24 May 2024 Monday 24 June 2024

Term Dates 2024/2025

02 September 2024	Start of Autumn Term
28 Oct-01 Nov 2024	Half Term
20 December 2024	End of Autumn Term - Break up for Christmas Holiday
06 January 2025	Start of Spring Term
17-21 February 2025	Half Term
04 April 2025	End of Spring Term - Break up for Easter Holiday
22 April 2025	Start of Summer Term
26-31 May 2025	Half Term
22 July 2025	End of Summer Term - Break up for Summer Holiday