



Newsletter No. 1

8th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

A huge welcome to our wonderful new intake in EYFS who had a lovely few hours this morning.

What a super week we had last week! Children across the school were really settled and working so hard - so much so that teachers found it extremely hard to choose their stars of the week! Our assemblies on Friday were a wonderful celebration.

I hope you have found it useful to have most of the key dates for the year. Inevitably, there will be more dates to come, but I know parents appreciate having plenty of notice. This is always our aim.

You will have seen that each year group has organised a Parental Involvement session for this term, which will also include a short session to inform you of the curriculum for the year. If you cannot make this date, we will be sending out the presentations after each one.

I know that many of you have class or year group WhatsApp groups. I too am in several of these to do with my children, and being a busy Mum, find them invaluable in keeping up to date with what is going on, knowing when it is PE or a special day etc. However, can I please ask that, if you have a concern about something to do with your child that you come and see us, rather than using the WhatsApp groups to air issues? We are all human and for a member of staff to find that they have been the subject of complaint/discussion on social media can be very upsetting. We all aim to be approachable - and know that there will be times when we get things wrong, so do please come and talk.

Our wonderful PTA have again arranged a super range of activities for the coming year, but we are all concerned that this may be the last, as numbers in the group are dwindling. If you can spare a moment to make a huge difference to our school,

the PTA would love to hear from you, through the office.

Have a super week.

Miss E. Dawson
Headteacher

Secondary School Admissions

Please note that if your child is currently in Year 6, you will need to apply online for a Secondary School place (applications open from 12th September 2025) by 31st October 2025. To register your choice please visit:-

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place>

School Gate Opening/Closing Times



Please note that the school gate will be opened at 8.40am. Children must be in class for an 8.45am start. Gates will be closed at 8.50am. Children arriving after this time must be signed in late at the main office. The gate will be opened again at 3.05pm ready for EYFS/KS1 children to be collected at 3.10pm and KS2 children to be collected at 3.15pm. For the safety of all our children we ask that everyone leave the school site promptly. Thank you.

School Office Hours

Open at 7.15am (for phone calls) - Monday to Thursday

Open at 7am (for phone calls) - Friday

Open at 8.40am (front desk for enquiries)

Closes at:-

5.00pm Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays

4.30pm Wednesdays

4.45pm Fridays

Polite Reminders

Absence

If your child is unwell or not in school for any reason, please contact the main School Office on 01268 793251 before 9.15am to advise staff or email admin@thundersley.essex.sch.uk - thank you.

Leave of Absence

All 'Leave of Absence' requests in term time will be unauthorised unless there are exceptional circumstances and will be at the discretion of Miss Dawson. Please complete a 'Leave of Absence' form which you can obtain from the main School Office. Please give as much notice as possible. Thank you.

Visitors

Please note that all visitors must sign in at the main School Office. Please do not enter the buildings without signing in first and receiving a 'visitor's sticker'. Thank you.

Peanut Butter/Nutella/Nut Products

We would like to remind you that your child must not bring peanut butter, Nutella or any nut products into school as we have children with severe nut allergies. Thank you.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named bottle of water in school at all times in order to keep hydrated throughout the day. Thank you.

Asthma Pumps

If your child requires an asthma pump, please ensure that your child has one in the main School Office and one in their classroom. Please also check that the pumps are in date. Thank you.





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Coats

Please note that children will go out to play at break and lunch times each day whatever the weather unless it is torrential rain. Therefore, please ensure your child has a named coat with them every day to wear if necessary.

Labels

Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with your child's full name in order that they can be returned if found. Thank you.

Bikes/Scooters

Please note that bikes/scooters must not be ridden in the playground. Please ensure your child dismounts and walks their bike/scooter on the school premises to avoid any accidents. Thank you.

Medication

Please note that staff are not able to administer medication unless your child has a Care Plan for an ongoing medical condition. Thank you.

Honesty is the best policy!

We would like to congratulate the following for handing in money they found recently.

Henry Walters (Squirrels)
Isaac Wood (Squirrels)
Henry Grover (Squirrels)
Quinn Godfrey (Squirrels)
Daisy Avison (Squirrels)
Darcey Rowland (Squirrels)
Susie Pellett (Ladybirds)
Thalia Churchman (Ladybirds)
Olivia-Grace Nevill (Fireflies)
Elsie Phillips (Owls)
Mrs. Hawkins (MDA)

Well done - you should be very proud of yourselves!

House Point Scores

Scores for the House Point groups are:-



Red Arrows	2825
Green Dragons	2372
Blue Dolphins	2004
Golden Eagles	1667



Well done Red Arrows!

Congratulations - League Champions!



We would like to congratulate Scarlett-Rose O'Dell, Annie Vine, Mabel Evers, Eleny Grover, Layla-Star Wright-Martin and Ruby Trew who won the Essex League over the summer with Thundersley Rovers and became U8 champions for 24/25. The girls' parents are so proud of them all as they have worked really hard in training. The girls also attended the summer camps of Mr. Wilson and Miss Turner-Powell so the parents would like to take this opportunity to thank them also. The girls just love playing football all the time, always have a smile on their faces and have a great team spirit. Well done Thundersley Rovers, what a fantastic achievement!

eSchools App

We kindly ask that you to download the eSchools and eSchools Lite apps (free of charge), in order that any messages we send you are not charged to the school and you will be able to access the calendar, newsletter and website easily.



Twitter

Please keep checking our Twitter feed for various updates/messages:-

@Thundersley_P_S

Early Birds Breakfast Club & Treetops After School Club



We offer a Breakfast Club (7.45am to the start of school) and an After School Club called Treetops (3.15pm to

6.00pm) each day.

If you are interested in a place for your child and would like more information, please either speak to Mrs. Hayward in the main School Office or email her directly on:-



Katie.Hayward@tps.robusmat.co.uk

Treetops this week:-

It was lovely to see all the children back at Early Birds and Treetops.

This week, we will have activities linked to National Literacy Day and National Teddy Bear Day as well as outdoor play, weather permitting.

Uniform Shops

We would like to advise that we now have two uniform shops as follows:-

Penn UK,
15-17 Kents Hill Road,



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South Benfleet,
Essex, SS7 5PN.

Telephone:- 01268 751724

www.pennuk.com

Danielle's Uniform,
Claydons Lane,
Rayleigh,
Essex, SS6 7UP.
Telephone 01268 967542

www.danielllesshop.co.uk

PTA

Next Meeting

The next PTA meeting is on Monday, 8th
September 2025 in the White Hart at
7pm. Everyone is welcome!

Community News

eScooter Safety

Please find attached a flyer in respect of
the above.

Harlow Brick Festival

Please find attached a flyer in respect of
the above.

Good Beginnings Course

Please find attached information in
respect of the above.

Ukraine After School Project

Please find attached information in
respect of the above.

Nova Performing Arts Academy

Please find attached a flyer in respect of
the above.

Walking Together Sponsored Walk

Please find attached a flyer in respect of
the above.

School Calendar - Dates

eSchools or eSchools app Lite

Future Term Dates

27/10/25 to 31/10/25 - Half Term
22/12/25 to 02/01/26 - Christmas Break
05/01/26 - Start of the Spring Term
16/02/26 to 20/02/26 - Half Term
30/03/26 to 10/04/26 - Easter Break
13/04/26 - Start of the Summer Term
04/05/26 - Bank Holiday
25/05/26 to 29/05/26 - Half Term
17/07/26 - Last Day of the Summer Term
(due to non-pupil day on 20/07/26)

******NON PUPIL DAYS******

24/10/25
24/11/25
23/02/26
20/07/26

