



Newsletter No. 8

3rd November 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

I trust you had a super half term and are ready for the half term ahead! We have lots on, so do please keep an eye on the calendar. Attached to the newsletter is also an updated list of dates for you to refer to.

A huge thank you to the PTA and staff who helped out at the Discos prior to the holiday. The children really did dance until they dropped. It was a lovely way to end the half term. The PTA are keen to have other parents/carers get involved this year as many of our real stalwarts will leave at the end of this year, so if you want to be part of the future of fundraising at TPS, they would love to hear from you.

Monday, 10th November 2025 is odd socks day, when children will be encouraged to wear odd socks to school. Odd Socks Day is an annual event held on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week to celebrate individuality and raise awareness about bullying. This year's theme is the 'Power of Good' which fits perfectly with our values at Thundersley. During that week, we will vote for our new Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, children who their peers feel can be a force for good on our playground.

We are looking forward to welcoming parents/carers who do not have Structured Conversations for their children to our Parent/Carer Consultations on Wednesday and Thursday this week. If you have not made an appointment yet, please do so.

Please make sure that your child is reading to an adult or being read to regularly - it makes such a difference to them. Another idea is to get audio books for the books the children read and they can follow along. eBooks and eAudiobooks can be borrowed free from the borrow box library app

<https://www.borrowbox.com/>

Finally, if you have not yet walked past our wonderful new wall art, opposite the KS1 playground, please do check it out. Dan Kitchener has given us the most amazing scene to inspire us to 'Be the best you can be'.

Have a lovely week.

Miss E. Dawson
Headteacher

Attendance

For the week ended 24th October 2025 there were six classes who achieved 97% attendance or above. Well done to Owls who achieved 100%. They will receive a £10 Amazon voucher to spend on something for their class.

We have a number of children who have medical conditions which mean that they have to have time off school for appointments and therefore their data is not included in these figures.

Attendance figures:-

	Week
Chipmunks	96.3%
Dragonflies	87.3%
Butterflies	96.0%
Rabbits	98.3%
Ladybirds	98.3%
Robins	99.2%
Fireflies	92.7%
Owls	100%
Bears	93.6%
Sparrows	89.7%
Ants	98.3%
Kestrels	93.6%
Badgers	98.4%
Squirrels	95.3%
Whole School	95.4%
Target	97.0%

Congratulations to this week's winners

OWLS

Aspirational attendance target set for the school for

2025 - 2026 is:

97%

Honesty is the best policy!

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

George Wise Bell - Rabbits
Max Jarvis - Rabbits
Ziggy Wright-Martin - Rabbits
Cattleya Tsvetkovska - Squirrels
Edward Payne - Squirrels
Darcey Rowland - Squirrels

Well done - you should be very proud of yourselves!

House Point Scores

Scores for the House Point groups are:-

Blue Dolphins	4589
Golden Eagles	4412
Green Dragons	3925
Red Arrows	3902



Well done Blue Dolphins!

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.





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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:-

Now the clocks have gone back and the evenings are drawing in our outside time will be limited but this just means there will be more fun activities to do indoors. The children have a huge variety of toys and games to choose from as well as weekly themed activities. Unsurprisingly, this week's activities are based around Bonfire Night and the escapades of Guy Fawkes.

Uniform Shops

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

Penn UK,
15-17 Kents Hill Road,
South Benfleet,
Essex, SS7 5PN.

Telephone:- 01268 751724

www.pennuk.com

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

www.daniellessshop.co.uk

PTA

Next Meeting

The next PTA meeting (AGM) is on Monday, 10th November 2025 in the White Hart at 7pm. If you are interested in joining the PTA and making a real difference to our school, please just pop along! Everyone is welcome.

Community News

Behaviour Support Programme for Families with Children aged 5+ (paid for service)

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

ACL Courses - November 2025

Please find attached information regarding the above.

Girls' Cricket

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

Christmas Fayre in aid of Havens Hospices

Please find attached a flyer in respect of the above.

School Calendar - Dates

eSchools or eSchools app Lite

Future Term Dates

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****

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

