



# 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

This new year brings with it fresh opportunities and exciting events. We are looking forward to seeing all the children working together to make this a successful and exciting term. The year 6 children are leading their clubs once again, these are proving very popular. All after school clubs are now in full swing.

**Holly class** will be learning about "Bright lights, Big City" In this they will be learning all about The United Kingdom, Maps, HM Queen Elizabeth II, London, The Great fire of London, Human Features, Physical features, Life in a city, Life in the countryside and Landmarks.

**Oak class** have a new topic, 'Rocks, Relics and Rumbles'. They are embarking on a hands-on exploration of the fascinating world of geology and natural phenomena. They will be exploring the amazing natural forces that shape our planet, including volcanoes, earthquakes and more.

**Willow class** are learning about the features and characteristics of land use in agricultural regions across the world, including a detailed exploration of significant environmental areas. The children will also learn about the meaning and benefits of seasonal eating, including food preparation and cooking techniques.

## REMINDER



Can we please remind **all parents/carers** that parking on or near the zig zag lines is not only an offence but extremely dangerous to our children. We would ask everyone who drops their child/children at school in the mornings and picks them up in the afternoon to PLEASE adhere to these rules. We appreciate that everyone rushes around in the morning but to spare a little extra time and drop your child at a SAFE place, could, effectively, save a life or injury.

## A big 'Thank you' to Mr Hull!

The school were extremely lucky and had Mr Hull in as special guest to meet and talk with the children who arrived in his tractor, which the children explored with during the session. He was able to present to the children the possibilities and benefits of eating farm produce and how this impacts our health. Oak class learnt about different soil types and how certain soil types benefit different crops and their growth.

## Notices

### Breakfast Club

Is available daily from 8am. Please book your child's place on Arbor.

### Cold Weather

Reminder that **all children** must have a warm coat, hat, gloves and spare shoes in school now the weather has turned colder.

## Dates for your diary...

**24<sup>th</sup> January** – Willow Class, Forest School

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**7<sup>th</sup> February** – SEN Drop-in sessions with Mrs Bell-Tye

**17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February** – Half Term Week

**5<sup>th</sup> March** – World Book Day. Details coming soon.

**1<sup>st</sup> April** – Whole school Easter Service and Homework Share. Details coming soon.

Our **Designated Safeguarding Lead** is Ms Hannah Meadowcroft.

**Alternative DSL** – Mr Daryl Jones and Mrs Bell-Tye

Our **Safeguarding Governor** is Mrs Gooderham.

Please report any safeguarding concerns to a member of the team: via the school office or by telephoning 01379 678392.

**REMINDER** – Have your say in Thorndon school's ethos and wrap around care options!! Let us know your thoughts.

**In the event of closure due to bad weather** - Parents will receive an email from the School Office and a Class Dojo notification.

