

Dear Parents

Welcome to the June edition of our school newsletter. Please see the following information which may be of interest to you as we near the end of this academic year. You will notice we have tried to highlight the MAT values at the end of each section. We refer to our values regularly within school and on our social media platforms but we would like to make them more prominent on our newsletters too to raise awareness with our families too.



### Sports Day Thanks and Overall Results:

Thank you to everybody who attended and took part in last week's sports days. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and we hope that you did too. Miss Yardley and Mrs Harvey did a fantastic job organising all of the events – THANKYOU to you both. Year Six helped out for the infant sports day and they did a fabulous job too. They were all so positive and encouraging of the younger pupils – what great role models! [#TPSIInspiration](#) [#TPSCitizenship](#) [#TPSCollaboration](#)



Congratulations to our infant **ROMANS** who came first and congratulations to our junior **VIKINGS** who came first. You will be able to come to school this coming Friday wearing your own clothes as a reward. Well done to all of our teams, you did a great job! [#TPSIInspiration](#) [#TPSCollaboration](#)



### Staffing Update, 2025/2026 Staffing:

As you will be aware from May's newsletter, Miss Kilikita will be commencing her maternity leave in mid-September which left us with a fixed term vacancy. We held interviews for a maternity cover teacher last week and we are pleased to announce that Mrs Beesley has been appointed to teach our Year Four class. Mrs Beesley is currently working at Brackenwood Junior School and is therefore very used to being a part of the Oak Trees Trust. We are sure you will all join us in offering her a big Team Thingwall welcome - she is going to join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July for our Meet the Teacher morning to meet the current Year Three class.

The 2025/2026 classes are as follows:

FS2 – Mrs Harvey

Year One – Mrs Waddington/Mrs Leyland

Year Two – Mrs Goulding

Year Three – Miss Yandle

Year Four - Mrs Beesley

Year Five – Miss Arden

Year Six – Miss Taylor

We are still in the process of allocating our teaching assistants to the various classes and will inform you in the July newsletter as soon as we are able.



### **Attendance 360 Review:**

We have been visited by the local authority attendance officers this week for an attendance review of our procedures and protocols. Mrs Lewis, our lovely school secretary, did a great job of showcasing all we do to promote good attendance – thank you Mrs Lewis. In addition to this, the attendance officers also requested a cross section of 6 pupils to talk about life at Thingwall, their experience of the school, the things they enjoy and how safe they feel in our care. The pupils did a superb job of speaking with the attendance officers and were very eager to tell them about all of the lessons and other activities they enjoy at Thingwall. Many thanks to Ava (Year Four), Millie (FS2), Finley (Year Six), Nova (Year Two), Benji (Year Six) and Spencer (Year Six), what great ambassadors for Thingwall you are – thank you all.

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### **Parent Survey:**

The new look Arbor annual reports to parents will be sent home at the start of July and there is no space for parents to make general comments on receipt of the report. We love to receive your comments and they are great evidence to demonstrate the strong home/school relationship we have with our families. To this end, we have set up a simple google form (consisting of a few short questions so it should only take you 5/10 minutes to complete). We would be grateful if you could complete and return this survey to us by the end of term. There will also be an additional question on the survey regarding social media communication to our families as we have noticed a definite drop off in followers lately on 'X', formerly known as Twitter. We would like you to vote for your preferred social media platform for celebrations and wider school community news. Please keep an eye out for this simple survey which will be sent out at the same time as the school reports, via a simple hyperlink. **#TPSCollaboration**



### **Parking Issues:**

We have been contacted by several local residents over the past few weeks about parking at either end of the school day. Whilst we realise it does get very congested around school and Pensby Road is a busy main road, residents of Thingwall Road East, Heywood Boulevard and Richmond Way have raised concerns about parking over drives and also parking up on the pavements. We would be grateful if you could be considerate of our neighbours at drop off and pick up time and, if at all possible, walk some/part of the way to school please. Buddies have also asked us to remind you that their car park is to be used for before/after school club and nursery parents only. Many thanks for your co-operation over this important matter. **#TPSCitizenship**



### **Enterprise Updates:**

The £10 Enterprise Challenge has been a great success again this year, every class has taken their social responsibilities very seriously indeed, raising hundreds of pounds for various charities. Please find below an overview of the varied activities each class did and the charity they voted to support. Thank you POTS for providing each class with their £10 starter fund at the start of the school year. Well done children, your care for our local, national and global areas is very touching indeed - GREAT JOB! **#TPSCitizenship** **#TPSCollaboration** **#TPSInspiration** **#TPSExpression**

Year Group	Fundraising Activity	Chosen Charity
Year Six	Popcorn Playtimes	MacMillan Cancer Research
Year Five	Ice Pop 'Pop Up Shop'	Jackson's Animal Sanctuary
Year Four	tbc	tbc
Year Three	Guess the teddy's name and Guess the number of sweets in a jar	Barnardos
Year Two	Fair Trade Cake Sale	Fair Trade and School Gardens
Year One	Traction Man Challenge sponsored event	Tam O'Shanter
FS2	Bath Bombs	British Heart Foundation



### **Eco Update (Hedgehog Update and Litter Pickers):**

Many thanks to all of our Year Five litter picker children who have been working very hard with Miss Yardley to keep our school grounds clean and tidy – we really appreciate your commitment to helping to make our school environment a safe and tidy place and Mr McAleny appreciates your help very much as well. For the remainder of the school term, we are going to try to focus on keeping our communal areas just as clean and tidy, in particular our cloakrooms and toilets. **#TPSInspiration** **#TPSCitizenship**



Many thanks to our Year Five Milk Monitors, Scarlett and Lauren. They have worked so hard every day, helping to deliver the milk to each class at snack time. Thank you girls, we do appreciate all you do and we are thrilled that you have both offered to continue in this role next year - THANKYOU. #TPSCitizenship #TPSIInspiration



### **Diary Dates for Term 3B:**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Events</b>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	MAT Event – Track and Field Athletics competition
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 4 visit
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 6 Induction Day Year One Traction Man Challenge sponsored event
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Meet the Teacher – each class will have the opportunity to visit their class teacher for next year and their new classroom. Please keep an eye out on Arbor as your child's class teacher will be writing a welcome letter to them over the next few days.
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	POTs own clothes day (please see POTs newsletter) Summer Fair 3.30 – 5.30pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Rock Steady concert for Rock Steady parents 2.30pm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 visit
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	FS2 class assembly – please arrive from 9 for a 9.15 start
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	MAT Event – Sponsored Coastal Walk – A Mile A School!
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 visit
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 visit
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 assembly – please arrive from 9 for a 9.15 start Year 6 party 3.30 – 5.00pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Special menu (menu to follow)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term Own clothes day and toy day. Please remember not to bring any mobile phones or toys that connect to the WiFi or take photographs.

Dates for  
the Diary:

### School Office Weekly Update:

Moving forward, the school office will issue a weekly update via email at the end of each week. This update will include key diary dates for the coming week, flyers and advertisements, as well as weekly attendance percentages following a suggestion from our LA attendance officers after our recent attendance audit. The decision to consolidate communications into a single weekly email was made in response to feedback that parents were receiving multiple messages from the school each day, which was overwhelming at times. We hope this new approach will reduce the volume of emails and make it easier for families to stay informed. The monthly Mrs Evans newsletters will continue. **#TPSCollaboration**



### Celebration Corner (OR HUGGO – Huge Unbelievably Great Goals!)

This area of the newsletter is so we can celebrate children's achievements outside of school. If you would like your child to appear in this area of the newsletter, please let the school office know with the relevant details.

**Ellie (Y3) and Archer (FS2):** Well done Ellie and Archer, for taking part in a 3km walk in aid of Claire House on June 22nd, raising an impressive £190. Mum tells us you had amazing fun as well as managing to raise vital funds for this local charity - congratulations. 😊

**Freddie (Year 3) and Betsy (Year 2):** Well done Freddie and Betsy, for planning to take part in the Wirral Coastal Walk this year, in aid of POTS. We hope your training is going well and you are managing to raise funds for our playgrounds - good luck. 😊

**Alyssa (Y6):** Congratulations to Alyssa, who has been scouted by Manchester United and Benfica as well as playing at Goodison Park last month, where she had the honour of playing for her county and winning. Well done Alyssa, we are very proud of you. 😊

**Maisie, Elsie E and Elsie M (Y4):** These Year Four pupils play for the Phoenix Rebels and they won the New Ferry Rangers tournament last weekend. Congratulations girls, we are very proud of you. 😊

**Maisie (Y4):** Congratulations to Maisie, who has been selected for the second year running by Liverpool Youth Team. This is impressive news and we are very proud of you, congratulations. 😊

**Lottie (Y2):** Well done to Lottie, who has been awarded an impressive gold medal for her gymnastic sequencing at Fusion Gymnastics Academy, we are very proud of you. 😊

**Evelyn (Y5):** Evelyn has been meeting the stars recently, managing to have a chat with children's author, Jacqueline Wilson, at a recent book event at Heswall Hall to promote Jacqueline's recent book, The Seaside Sleepover. Wow Evelyn, we bet you were thrilled! 😊

**Grace (Y5):** Congratulations to Grace, who recently took part in a competition at Bebington Gymnastics Club. She was the overall winner for her age group and also was awarded gold for her floor routine and silver on the vault. Well done Grace, impressive work! 😊

**Annabelle (Y5):** Congratulations to Annabelle, who took part in a competition at Bebington Gymnastics Club at the start of June. She was awarded a bronze medal for her flawless floor routine. Well done Annabelle, we are very impressed! 😊

**Elsie E and Elsie M (Y4):** Well done to both of these Year Four pupils, who have been scouted and selected to play football for Tranmere Rovers, we are very proud of you both. 😊

**Arabella (Y1) (and her little brother, Joshua):** Arabella and Joshua took part in the 'Run for the 97' 1km Hillsborough memorial race at the end of May. It was a tough race but they both did brilliantly and were rightly very proud of their medals - well done to both of you, we are very proud. Impressive work. 😊

**Gabriel (Y2):** Well done Gabriel, for taking part in a 3km walk in aid of Claire House this month, we are very impressed as 3km is a long way! Thank you for raising a much-needed £150 for this local charity, which we are sure will be put to good use. 😊

**Penny (Y3):** Congratulations to Penny who took part in her first gymnastics competition earlier on this month and was awarded silver medals for her floor and vault routines. Congratulations Penny, we are delighted for you. What an achievement for your first competition! 😊

Congratulations to all these pupils, who exemplify the MAT values of **collaboration, citizenship, inspiration and expression** with distinction and pride. We are immensely proud of **all** of our Team Thingwall pupils, they are **all** outstanding ambassadors for our school and try to reflect our values in **all** that they do.



With best wishes to you all

Mrs D L Evans