Whole school attendance figure this week is 93%

20th November 2026

Dear Families

The week has flown by and we are rapidly approaching the glitter season!

Next Friday is our **Decorations Morning**, when we invite parents, carers and friends to join us in making festive decorations. We would love to see you there.
After drop-off, we will register the children before welcoming visitors into the classrooms. You are then welcome to stay and join in until **10:15am**, when the children will head out to play.

Our **PFA** is also looking for donations of gifts and prizes for the **Christmas Fayre**, which will be held on **Saturday 5th December**.
As a thank you for supporting this event, children may wear their own clothes to school on **Thursday 26th November** when bringing in a donation.

If you know of any young children who would enjoy coming to play in our wonderful **Hedgehogs** area, we warmly welcome pre-school-aged children and their carers every **Friday afternoon**. Please do share this opportunity with friends and family.

Finally, if you are a parent or carer of a child at our school, please take a few moments to complete our **Parent Survey**. Your feedback is incredibly valuable. It helps us celebrate what is going well, as well as identify priorities for the future.

Thank you for your continued support, and we wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Balado and the Thurlton Team

In our celebration assembly today the following children were celebrated:

	Star Great progress	Superhero Great attitude	Reader Great reading	Writer Great writing
Hedgehogs	Edith	Maisie	Gabriella	Fergal
Rabbits	Ellie	Amber	Tallulah	Alfie
Badgers	William	Arthur H	Dakota	Evie

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Dates for week beginning 23rd November

Monday	23rd	Gymnastics with Michelle for all classes
Tuesday	24th	**2.45pm- Open book session for parents**
Wednesday	25th	PE with Mr Reeve and after school club Hedgehogs visit to Thurlton Church
Thursday	26th	Non-uniform day in exchange for chocolate for PFA Christmas fair
Friday	27th	Decorations morning 9.00-10.15am – Parents and carers welcome to join us Open play in Hedgehogs 1.45 – 3.00pm

Other useful information:-

Flu nasal immunisation – If your child missed the flu nasal immunisation and you would like him/her to have it, you can use the following NHS link to book one.

https://www.manage-vaccinations-in-schools.nhs.uk/bookings/1000103/flu/start

Christmas Lunch –
Our Christmas lunch will be on Thursday 17th December. The menu will be available shortly, as will details of how to order.

End of Christmas term:
Please note that on the last day of term, Friday 18th December, parents/ carers will be able to collect their children from 2pm.

Letters sent home this week:
Science Lecture invitation from Hobart High School – Badger Class

If you require a paper copy of any information please let Mrs Payne know.

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Please find below a list of dates for the term ahead.

Thurlton Primary School- Dates for your diary			
November	**Tuesday**	**24th**	**2.45pm- Open book session for parents**
	Wednesday	**25th**	**Hedgehogs visit to Thurlton Church**
	Thursday	**26th**	**Non uniform day in exchange for chocolate for Christmas Fete**
	Friday	**27th**	**9-10am Decorations morning – all parents welcome** **1.30 – 2.45pm Open Play in Hedgehogs**
December	Tuesday	1st	Christmas post box out for cards
	Thursday	3rd	Pantomime in school (am)
	Thursday	**3rd**	**2.45pm- Open book session for parents**
	Friday	**4th**	**1.30 – 2.45pm Open Play in Hedgehogs**
	Saturday	**5th**	**PFA Christmas Fayre**
	Tuesday	**8th**	**2.45pm- Open book session for parents**
	Friday	**10th**	**1.30 – 2.45pm Open Play in Hedgehogs**
	Monday	14th	No gymnastics today
	Tuesday	15th	10am Carols in Church
	Wednesday	16th	1.30pm Hedgehogs nativity to parents
	Thursday	17th	12 noon- Christmas lunch
	Friday	18th	9am Celebration of the term assembly- invited guests

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Monday 21st- Tuesday 5th January 2027 Christmas Holiday			
January	**Tuesday**	**5th**	Back to School 2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Friday	**8th**	1.30 – 2.45pm Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Thursday	**14th**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Friday	**15th**	1.30 – 2.45 Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Tuesday	**19th**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Thursday	21st	Census day – more information to follow
	Friday	**22nd**	1.30 - 2.45pm Open play in Hedgehogs
	Thursday	**28th**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Friday	**29th**	1.30 – 2.45 Open Play in Hedgehogs
February	**Tuesday**	**2nd**	2.45pm - Open book session for parents
	Friday	**5th**	1.30 – 2.45 Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Wednesday	10th	Safer Internet Day
	Thursday	**11th**	2.45pm Open book session for parents
	Friday	**12th**	1.30 – 2.45pm Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Monday	15th	Half term holiday Monday 15th to Friday 16th
March	Monday	1st	Class photographs
	Tuesday	**2nd**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Tuesday	**2nd**	Parents Evening
	Thursday	**4th**	Parents Evening
	Thursday	**4th**	World Book Day
	Friday	**5th**	1.30 – 2.45 Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Thursday	**11th**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Friday	**12th**	1.30 – 2.45 Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Tuesday	**16th**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Friday	**19th**	1.30 – 2.45 Open Play in Hedgehogs
	Saturday	**20th**	PFA family quiz night with food 4.00 – 6.30pm
	Thursday	**25th**	2.45pm – Open book session for parents
	Friday	**26th**	School closed for Easter Holidays
* Please note, this is not yet a full list and some dates may be subject to change			

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR
Autumn term

Thursday 3rd September- Friday 18th December

Half-term holiday:
Friday 23rd October - Friday 30th October 2026
PLEASE NOTE THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED TO PUPILS ON FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER

Spring term

INSET: Monday 4th January 2027 - school will be closed to pupils

Tuesday 5 January - Friday 27 March 2027

Half-term holiday:
Monday 15 - Friday 19 February 2027

Easter holiday:
Friday 26th March - Tuesday 13 April 202

Summer term

INSET: Monday 12th April 2027 - school will be closed to pupils

Tuesday 13 April - Friday 28 May 2027

Half-term holiday:
Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June 2027

Summer holiday:
Wednesday 21 July – Monday 6 September 2027

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