

Thursfield News



Friday 18th July Edition

Our Weekly Affirmation: 'I am warm, bright and cheerful - like a ray of sunshine!'

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Thursfield,

<u>Headteachers Message</u>

As we reach the end of another exciting and busy year at Thursfield, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on everything we have achieved together. It has been a year of hard work, growth and celebration for our whole school community.

Our heating project has continued at pace and is on track to be fully completed by October half term, which will make a huge difference to our learning environment. We have also successfully navigated our Ofsted inspection this year, with the report recognising so many of the strengths we know make Team Thursfield special.

This year we have been delighted to build closer collaboration with Thursfield Preschool, allowing us to welcome even more children and families into our community at the very start of their learning journey.

A special mention must go to our Year 6 pupils. We are so proud of everything they have achieved this year, not least their fantastic academic results with 50% of pupils attaining the higher standard – an incredible accomplishment. On Tuesday, it was a privilege to officially hand them their Thursfield Ticket to Anywhere during our celebration assembly. We also enjoyed a fabulous Year 6 Prom – a night filled with fun, laughter and many memories. Today we wish them all the very best as they leave us for high school, ready to take their next steps with confidence.

We would also like to thank our pupils and parents for the valuable contributions they have made throughout the year. Your support, time and enthusiasm are what make our community so special.

As we look ahead, we also take time to say goodbye to members of staff who are moving on. Mrs Walton, Mrs Maybury and Miss Brookes have each given so much to our school during their time here, and we thank them wholeheartedly for the amazing work they have done and the difference they have made to so many children.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. Thank you all for your support throughout this year – it truly has been a team effort. I look forward to welcoming you back in September, ready for another exciting chapter in the story of Thursfield.



This week, we celebrated our Sports Awards, honoured our Footballers of the Year, and presented Year 6 with their special Tickets to Anywhere. It was a wonderful way to recognise the children's achievements and hard work throughout the year. Well done to all — we're proud to be Thursfield!



On Friday, our Year 6 children presented their Leavers' Assembly to family and friends — and they were amazing! The assembly was a heartwarming celebration of their time at Thursfield, filled with memories, laughter, and a few happy tears. It truly showcased the special moments they've created over the years. You are all ready to fly now, and we wish you the very best of luck

in the next chapter. Class of 2025 — we're so proud of you!



We're sorry to say that we are saying goodbye to Mrs Maybury, Mrs Walton, and Miss Brookes, who are all moving on to new schools.

We will miss them dearly and want to thank each of them for their hard work, care, and dedication to the children of Thursfield over the years. We wish them all the very best in their new adventures —

they will always be part of the Thursfield family.

On Wednesday, our Year 6 pupils celebrated their Prom – and what a fantastic evening it was! The children looked absolutely amazing as they danced, laughed, and enjoyed delicious food together. A truly special night filled with fun and memories to last a lifetime.

A night to remember!

Wedding News!

We'd like to send our warmest congratulations to Mr Reddish and Miss Mott, who are both getting married (not to each other!) during the summer holidays! We hope you each have the most amazing wedding day and a joyful start to married life. Best wishes from all of us at Thursfield!



School reopens on Wednesday, 3rd September

- 8:35 AM Reception
- 8:40 AM KS1 & KS2

Join us for a Back-to-School Drop-In on Tuesday, 2nd September, 2:30PM.

A great chance for children to meet their teacher, see their classroom, and feel ready for the new year. Parents and carers are warmly welcome!

SEPTEMBER

Return to School: Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Monday 8th : Reception Meet the Teacher @3:30pm and 5:30pm W/C 15^{th:} After School Clubs to Commence – Book via Arbor Monday 22nd: SEND Coffee Evening @5:30pm Wednesday 24^{th:} TT Rockstars Launch Day Thursday 25th: Year 5 Trip to Sandyford Fire Station

Monday 29th: PTFA AGM Meeting @2pm

Have an AMAZING Summer!



Please **do not** park on the curbs outside the school during drop-off and pick-up times. We are increasingly concerned about the potential risk of a **traffic incident**, and we want to **ensure the** safety of all our Thursfield pupils.

Parking

Thank you for your support in keeping our school community safe.

<u>Water Bottles</u>

Please ensure that all children bring a reusable water bottle to school each day. We are currently using too many single-use plastic cups, and we'd like to reduce this for environmental reasons.

All bottles should be clearly labelled with your child's name to avoid any mix-ups.

Thank you for your support in helping us become a more sustainable school!



We'll let you know as soon as clubs have been confirmed and are set up on Arbor for you to book. Thank you for your patience — we're looking forward to another exciting term of clubs and activities!

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Named Uniform

As families begin purchasing new uniform for the start of the school year in September, we kindly remind everyone to clearly label all items with your child's name. We know new uniform can be expensive, and we'd hate for anything to get lost. Labelling helps us return items quickly and avoids mix-ups. Thank you for helping us keep everything safe and organised!

<u>Healthy Snack</u>

Remember we are a Healthy Snack School! Please bring in healthy snacks only.





Wraparound Club

We are hoping to have Wraparound Care available to book via Arbor soon. Please bear with us as this is a new system for us too. We'll be working on setting everything up during the INSET days, and we will be in touch with parents during this time with updates and instructions. Thank you for your patience and support as we get things up and running!

<u>New Catering Partner – Aspens</u>

We're excited to welcome Aspens as our new school meal provider! They offer fresh, home-cooked food daily, catering to all dietary needs and combining traditional

favourites with new, exciting dishes. Menus and an introductory email have been shared with families — please take a look!

We're looking forward to working with Aspens to provide nutritious, tasty meals for all our pupils.





Please remember to book your child's lunch and snack via Arbor in advance, ready for the first week back in September.

Thank you for helping us ensure a smooth start to the new school year!

Reception Meet The Teacher

Monday 8th September Reception Meet The Teacher 3:30pm & 5pm

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for achieving 100% attendance last week!



Thursfield has a Facebook page. The purpose of the page is to provide parents with a window in to the school day. To join search Thursfield Primary School.

School Website www

Please visit our website for information regarding school policies including mobile phones and attendance. You will also find information regarding our curriculum.



Please remember to update your personal details in Arbor if there are any changes. It is essential that we have multiple contact details for each child to ensure smooth communication.

Additionally, you can adjust your photo permissions through Arbor at any time.



A huge thank you to our incredible PTFA from everyone at Thursfield Primary School. Your hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm throughout the year have not gone unnoticed. From organising events to raising funds and bringing our school community together — you have made such a positive impact. We are so grateful for the time and energy you give to support our pupils, staff, and families.

Thank you for helping to provide enriching experiences and valuable resources that benefit every child at Thursfield. We truly appreciate everything you do!

<u>Good To Be</u> Green Winner



BRIDGEWATER!

HOUSE

PRIZE

2599 POINTS

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

A Heartfelt Thank You from All of Us We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all pupils and parents for the beautifully thoughtful end-of-year gifts and cards. Your kindness, whether expressed through a handwritten note, delicious treats, or meaningful token, has touched each and every member of our school community. These gestures mean so much to us and remind us how fortunate we are to be part of such a caring school family.



10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators





AT A GLANCE

 Sensory Garden completed! Summer Fair a huge success! · Goodbye to our year 6's!

This year we have raised £5082.94!*

full accounts to be shared at AGM

Our final term of 2024/25 has been another raging success from the sensory garden being completed, our huge summer fair efforts and all the way through to supporting year 6 achieve their leavers hoodies target! Non of this could have been possible without the support and help of all of our parents, careers, teachers and friends of the school. A huge thanks to each and everyone of you for your support this year. For those of you that aren't aware this year the PTFA had a new chair, secretary and treasurer alongside other new members, a totally new team to revamp everything that we do & raise as much money for the children of Thursfield as we possible can. We hope that our transparency in our income and expenditure, our revamped social media and our newsletters are helping you to believe in the work that we are trying to do & that you will continue to get behind us. But, as always if you feel there is something more we could do please do you speak to one of us.



During summer term we have seen many events, our biggest and most talked about being the Summer Fair. Not only open to the school but to the local community too, what a wonderful day



Our Father's Day stall was more popular than we have even seen before and we raised £210 from this alone. There was no messing about and this money went straight towards making our Mud Kitchens for the outdoor garden area. We are over the moon with all of our fundraising this year and a special thanks to our year 6's who have supported throughout, attended and ran stalls at our summer fair & through their own determination and planning smashed their target to purchase their leavers hoodies. We think they look amazing, don't you!

was had by all. A huge thank you to all teachers, parents and local supporters who really came together and made it a day to remember. A huge thank you must go to Jane at Pre-school who without the borrowing of the marguee our visions would have never left the paper. From performances of local groups, stalls galore, penalty shoot outs with Pottermus and even through to the sponging of Mrs Bradbury we raised fantastic amount of £2450 for the children of Thursfield! We had so many complements from all that attended so we can't wait to see what we pull out the bag for next year!







We celebrated our wonderful teaching staff through Teacher Appreciation day & gifted each a small gift that they will be able to treasure from the children of Thursfield. We have never done this before and hope all our teachers felt truly appreciated for all that they do. This leads us easily on to our heartfelt thanks to the teachers, staff & Mrs Bradbury in all that you do to support us, bringing our crazy ideas to life & supporting us in being able to create these wonderful moments for the children & raise some much needed extra funds for the children of Thursfield!



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What have we spent it on?

We have continued to develop the outdoor garden area with the addition of two fantastic mud kitchens, hand built by Alex, we are really grateful and thank you for ensuring they were made to suit our needs. A thank you to Mrs Page for organising this & Fraser for your support in making sure they were delivered and sited safely. We can't wait to see the children really get creative with their muddy bakes! Alongside these bigger purchases we have also again provided the end of term reading winners Kindle, Keyboards, tissues for the year 6 parents at leavers assembly, "Be school ready" booklets for the new Reception class and many more smaller items. All of this could not be achieved without the support of our parents, guardians and friends of Thursfield.



What's next?

It maybe the summer holidays but we don't stop, our entry to the Scarecrow festival will be going up shortly, please do purchase a map and look around all the entries. The money raised from this is being split between ourselves and the 2 other local schools so it would be great if we managed to get a good amount donated our way. Thank you to all those who have already purchased raffle tickets, if you haven't and would like some they can be purchased via FB or the phone number on the poster.



Without a shadow of a doubt though we aren't stopping yet, we're hoping for even bigger events and more fundraising opportunities for Team Thursfield. If you have any ideas please drop us a message on Facebook or attend our next AGM meeting on 29th September 2025 at 2pm in the school hall. Please do come along and see what we can get planning for the Autumn term and beyond!

Wishing you all an amazing summer holiday, stay safe! **Thursfield PTFA**

Future Events:

• Monday 29th September: Annual PTFA AGM 2pm

Thursfield Community Centre What's going on...







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Mini Mates Baby & Toddler Group Come play, learn, and make new friends! Looking for a fun and welcoming place to bring your little one? Join

us at Mini Mates — a relaxed and friendly group for babies, toddlers, and their grown-ups!

For ages 0+
Toys, songs, snacks, and free play

Hot drinks and chats for parents & carers

Crafts and seasonal activities

When: Thursdays 9:30-10:45

Where: Community Centre, Chapel Lane, Harriseahead

Cost: £3.50 per child and adult then 50p every extra person

hether you're a new parent, grandparent, or carer — everyone is welcome! No need to book, just drop in.

Come along and be part of our lovely community

We can't wait to meet you!

Upcoming Events For Thurstield Community Centre

JUNE 8TH 13:00-15:00 AROMA BALANCE WORKSHOP £15 JUNE 15TH POTTERY CLASS 11:00-12:30 £17 JUNE 20TH 18:00-20:30 SUMMER WREATH MAKING £27.80 JULY 12TH 10:00-12:30 WATER COLOUR ART CLASS £33.22 JULY 25TH LHB 18:30 CAKE DECORATING CLASS £45 AUGUST 7TH FELT MAKING WORKSHOP £42

AUGUST 23RD 11:00-13:00 CARTON DRAWING CLASS £22 EPTEMBER 14TH 10:00-12:00 HSL HIGHLAND COW POTTERY CLASS £27

ALL EVENTS ARE ON EVENTBRITE AND REQUIRE TICKETS

SPACES ARE LIMITED

ALL DETAILS ON THURSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE FACEBOOK PAGE

Cake Decorating Party FRIDAY 25TH JULY AT 6:30 PM THURSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE



•Mini cake to decorate & take home •Drink on arrival •Nibbles •Cake demonstration from LHB Bakery

TO BOOK, MESSAGE LHB BAKERY ON FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM





Cake Decorating

Thursfield Community Centre, 7 Chapel Rd, Harriseahead, ST7 4JN

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Whatsapp Mark on 07963 552107

SEN Carer Meet

When: First Monday of the Month 18:00-19:30 & The First Tuesday of the Month @ 10:30-12:00 Where: Thursfield Community Centre ST7 4JL Cake and Refreshments provided, donations welcome

Due to the success of the first meeting, I'm hosting these meet ups on a regular basis . They are for anyone who cares for a SEN child. I want to provide a safe space for a chat, biscuit and a drink with others that just get it. No judgement, no expectations just a swap of knowledge and hopefully friendship building for all. No need to book just walk in, any further info please contact me - Abi on 07816600754

Ps: Children also welcome for those not able to attend school



