



# Thringstone Primary School

*Believe and Achieve Together*

Newsletter: October 2022

Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you all had a well-deserved break, have recharged those batteries and are all ready for another busy half term, in our run up to this exciting Christmas half term.

I would like to thank you all for your generous food donations for Coalville Food Bank at our recent Harvest Assembly. We were also overwhelmed by the number of you who came along to help us celebrate our first Harvest Assembly since 2019. It was fabulous to see you all back in school.



I'd also like to remind you that if you have any concerns or questions about your child or their life in school, please do not hesitate to speak to their class teacher, or to contact me.

Cheryl Hammersley



**Congratulations to our School Councillors, who were elected by the children in their class. Miss Bowers runs our School Council and I know that the children and Miss Bowers have some great ideas to work upon this year. Hari and Brooke have already represented the school at The Year 6 CPCT School Council, which is run each half term.**

- Pandas: Melodie**
- Tigers: Eva & Freddie**
- Cheetahs: Kasey & Sophie**
- Snow Leopards: Zofia & Harry B**
- Dolphins: Hari & Brooke**



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## **Braiswick Photographs**

On Wednesday 26th October, the school photographer, Braiswick, will be in to take individual photographs of all the children. Group photographs will also be taken of siblings within the school and Little Acorns.



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## **Flu Immunisation Programme**

On Monday 21st November, children from Foundation Stage to Year 6 at Thringstone Primary School will be offered protection against influenza (flu) by Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust's Community Immunisation Service.

Details about the programme can be found here:  
<https://www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Parental consent is required for your child to receive the immunisation which is given as a nasal spray, so please complete the consent form online.  
You will need our school code which is: **LE139767**

## **Cross Country Events**



Last half term, your child should have brought home a letter about a cross country event taking place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November at Sir John Moore School, Appleby Magna.

The races are open to all from Foundation Stage (FS) to Year 6 (boys and girls race separately). The race times are listed below:

FS Girls 10:00am / FS Boys 10:05am  
Year 1 Girls 10:10am / Year 1 Boys 10:15am  
Year 2 Girls 10:20am / Year 2 Boys 10.25am  
Year 3 Girls 10:30am / Year 3 Boys 10.35am  
Year 4 Girls 10:40am / Year 4 Boys 10:50am  
Year 5 Girls 11:00am / Year 5 Boys 11:10am  
Year 6 Girls 11.20am / Year 6 Boys 11.30am

If you have not returned your reply slip, there is still time to get it back to school. We have some spares in the school office. At the event, Mr Oldham will be there to organise and support the children taking part – Look out for the Thringstone flag!

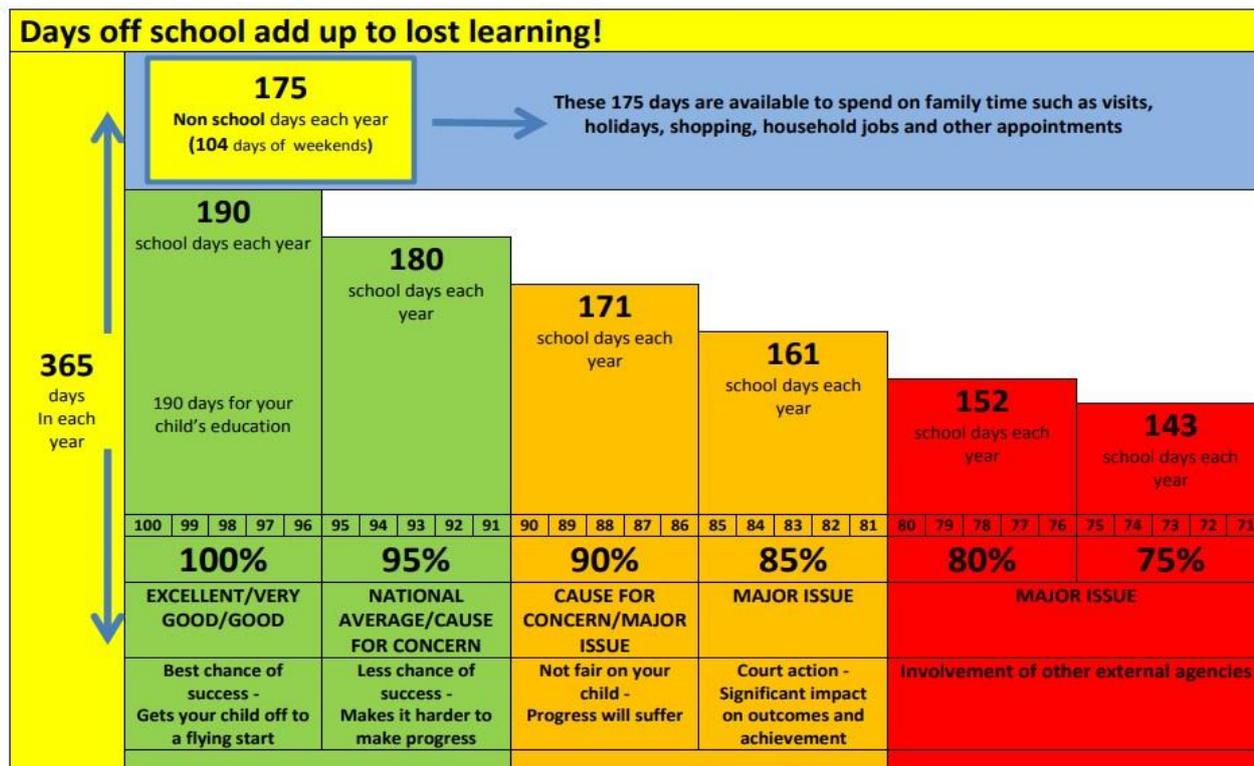
## School Attendance

As we all know, excellent school attendance is critical to our children's long-term success.

Taking a day off here and there, or a holiday during term time may seem inconsequential. However, the following tables clearly demonstrate the potential impact of the combined total of these days.

Nobody would consider taking a child out of school for a whole year, half a year or even a quarter of year. However, when the missed days are added up, this is how it looks:

	One year in school is equivalent to <b>950</b> 1 hour long lessons Five years in school is equivalent to <b>4750</b> 1 hour long lessons Eleven years in school is equivalent to <b>10450</b> 1 hour long lessons And all of this comes down to set of grades on a sheet of paper in an envelope				
Attendance %	Missed Days	Missed weeks	Over 5 years	Annually	Impact over 5 years
100%	0	0	0	Excellent	
99%	1.9	0.38	9.5	Very Good	
98%	3.8	0.76	19	Very Good	
97% <sup>1</sup>	5.7	1.14	28.5	Very Good	
96%	7.6	1.52	38	Good	
95% <sup>2</sup>	9.5	1.9	47.5	National average	Quarter Year missed
94%	11.4	2.28	57	Below Nat. average	
93%	13.3	2.66	66.5	Below Nat. average	Approx. Third year missed
92%	13.3	2.66	66.5	Requires improvement	
91%	17.1	3.42	85.5	Requires immediate improvement/worrying	
90% <sup>3</sup>	19	3.8	95	Cause for concern	Half year missed
89%	20.9	4.18	104.5	Serious concern	
85% <sup>4</sup>	28.5	5.7	142.5	Major issue	
80% <sup>5</sup>	38	7.6	190	Major issue	1 Year missed



We are currently in the process of updating our attendance policy, in line with new Government guidelines. This policy will be shared with you all shortly.

8:40am	8:50am	10.30am	10:50am	12:00noon	1:00pm	3:15pm	3:20pm
Classroom doors open. Children get ready for the school day	Lessons begin. Children in school ready to start	Break time begins	Break time ends	Lunchtime begins	Lunchtime ends	Wolves and Pandas: School ends	Tigers, Cheetahs, Snow Leopards, Dolphins: School ends



**25<sup>th</sup> October** – Inclusive Multi-Sports at Forest Way 9.30am

**25<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 5 /6 Football match – away at Griffydam 3.30pm start

**26<sup>th</sup> October** – Braiswick individual & sibling photographs

**26<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 1 Multisport at Whitwick and Coalville Leisure Centre: 1.00pm

**27<sup>th</sup> October** – PTA Halloween Disco after school (Tigers, Pandas and Wolves disco at 3.15 - 4.30. Cheetahs, Snow Leopards and Dolphins disco at 4.45 - 6.00pm)

**2<sup>nd</sup> November** – New Intake 2023 Open Evening: 6pm

**9<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 5/6 Football match - home 3.30pm start

**12<sup>th</sup> November** – Cross country event at Sir John Moore – 10.00am

**15<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 5 / 6 football match – away at Moira Primary 3.30pm start

**21<sup>st</sup> November** – Year 3/4 Dodgeball festival at Ashby School: 3.30pm

Flu Immunisations for FS – Year 6 children

**25<sup>th</sup> November** – PTA Dress Down Friday

**30<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 5 /6 Dodgeball festival 3.30 start

**2<sup>nd</sup> December** – Christingle service at St Andrews 1.30pm

**7<sup>th</sup> December** – Pandas and Wolves Christmas play – ‘A Bundle of Joy’: 2pm

**8<sup>th</sup> December** – Snow Leopards and Dolphins Christmas play – ‘Who?’: 4pm

**9<sup>th</sup> December** – PTA Santa’s Grotto for Wolves, Pandas & Tigers

**14<sup>th</sup> December** – Whole school Christmas Dinner

**16<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of the Autumn term. PTA Raffle to be drawn.

## FRIENDS OF THRINGSTONE - CAROLS ON THE GREEN

This year's event leaves St Andrew's church at around 6.45pm on Friday 16 December to walk up to The Green. All the way up there, Christmas Carols will be sung. We will then go on to sing outside the centre for around 7pm. Afterwards, the centre will be open for refreshments whilst the U3A choir continues the singing. It is a free event and everyone is welcome!

Thank you.  
Nita Pearson BEM  
Chairman  
Friends of Thringstone



### School admissions: Secondary transfer

If your child is due to transfer to secondary school in Autumn 2023, the closing date for applications is 31st October 2022.

All parents must apply for a school place.

Places will not be offered without an application.

Applications can be made at:

[www.leicestershire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/admissions)

### Thringstone Toddler Group

Thringstone Miners Social Centre, Homestead Road, Thringstone

Come along and join us for a cup of tea, a piece of cake and a natter whilst the children play and have fun.

Snacks are provided for the children  
£1.50 for the first child, 10p for additional children.  
Drinks and cakes 30p each

Every Friday morning  
Drop in anytime 10am - 12:30pm



For more information phone Kath on 01530 222824

### Accessing Learning at Home

Children have access to a range of online learning subscribed to by the school to help them with the things that they are learning at school and to enable you to support them at home.

These are accessed by going directly to the website or via our school website (bottom of the front page). If you are unsure of the passwords please get in touch with your child's class teacher or the school office.



Thringstone Primary School is a **smoke free environment** and smoking (including vaping) is not permitted on school grounds.

Website [www.thringstone.leics.sch.uk](http://www.thringstone.leics.sch.uk)