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## Thornwood Primary School Newsletter June 2019



### Diary Dates

#### Holidays

**School closes for summer at 1pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June.**

Please note that the dining hall will provide soup and sandwiches on the last day of term instead of a hot meal.

#### Session 2018/19

Children return to school for the new term on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 9.00am.**

### Transition - Nursery to P. 1

Our new P.1s enjoyed transition visits including an opportunity to make their own puppets! We are looking forward to welcoming the children and the P.6 children are excited about being Buddies to next year's P1 classes.

P.1 children will begin full time attendance from their first day.

### Best Start Grant

For parents/carers of children starting P.1 please follow the link below to see further information on eligibility for the Best Start Grant for P.1 children.

<https://www.mygov.scot/best-start-grant/>

### Transition - Secondary School

I would like to wish the P.7 children who are moving on to high school best wishes for a successful time at secondary school. The children should be proud of their achievements in Thornwood and are now ready to build on their success.

### Parent Council

A big thank you to the Parent Council for organising the School Fair and to all the helpers for making it such a success. Please note the Parent Council meets on the first Monday of each month at 7pm. All are welcome.

### Free School Meals

Next session all children in P.1-4 stages will continue to receive free school meals.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is available from 8.00-8.45am at a cost of £2.00 per day for the first child and £3.00 for two children.

If you have applied for and are eligible for free school meals for your child they will also be entitled to free breakfast club.

### Removal of snacks in the Fuel Zone 2019/2020

As you will be aware, all food and drink in schools must comply with strict Scottish Government legislation. Catering and Facilities Management (formally Cordia) are always looking for ways to further reduce the amount of sugar, salt and fats that are in the food and drink that we provide. Legislation will be tightened next year and it is likely that the maximum amount of sugar, fat and salt that is in food and drinks will be reduced. To plan for this, there have been some changes to the menu recently; no flavoured milk (only plain), removal of desserts (apart from yoghurt and fruit). The next change to the menu will be the removal of additional sales (to include snacks, fruit based drinks and home baking) in the Fuel Zone. This will mean from the new term in August there will be **no mid-morning or lunchtime items sold.**

### Charity

Thank you for your support of our recent 'Go Yellow' event. It was a great success. P6 and P7 had a fantastic day at Bellahouston Park and the P1-P5 pupils enjoyed school based activities. Your generosity meant that the school was able to donate £583.78 to the Prince and Princess of Wales Hospice.

Mrs Hunter has worked with the Be All You Can Be Group to organise sunflowers for all the children to grow at home. We have been most impressed by the results with some beautiful flowers produced. The children also presented them at an assembly and helped to raise £192.71 for Marie Curie Cancer Care.



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### Staff Changes

We are delighted that Miss MacKenzie has been appointed to the permanent post of Depute Head Teacher. Next session we will be welcoming new staff to Thornwood. Ms Watters will be joining us and Mrs Cree and Mrs Taylor are returning.

Mrs Murdoch, Miss Blackwall, Mrs Gaw and Mrs Miller will be leaving. We would like to thank them for their contribution to Thornwood.



### STEM Opportunity for Parents

Have you taken a career break from an engineering or a technical sector and wish to return? Are you working below your experience in a different sector? Do you have an engineering or technical degree that you aren't using? Do you just wish to transfer sectors but don't have any experience? If so this could be the opportunity for you! After the unprecedented success of four BAE Systems programmes within their UK shipyards, we are currently sourcing candidates for the second BAE Systems 'STEM Returners' programme in Scotland, a 12 week, fully paid and supported return to work programme starting in September 2019 in Glasgow. All candidates will also have the opportunity to obtain a permanent role at the end of the programme. No career break is too long, register to return to STEM today! For more information please visit [www.stemreturners.com](http://www.stemreturners.com) or email [hello@stemreturners.com](mailto:hello@stemreturners.com).

More information on the programme is also available here:

<https://www.stemreturners.com/2019/06/26/second-returners-programme-run-bae-systems-glasgow-pilot-success/>

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy and enjoyable summer. I have enjoyed working in partnership with you and look forward to continuing to do so in the new session.

Yours in partnership.

Caroline E. Dunleavy

Head Teacher