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## Thornwood Primary School

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**Dates for your Diary** Please note the following dates when the school will be closed:

**September weekend** – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September and Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**October Holiday** – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October (in service) and Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October

**The School Day** We are delighted our new primary one children have settled well into school. **From Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September parents are asked to drop off their children at the school gate as the children are now familiar with lining up and are becoming increasingly independent.** This will also allow the children space to play with their classmates.

**Breakfast Club** Breakfast club starts at 8.00am and costs £2.00 per day or is free for children who have applied for and are entitled to free school meals. Please follow the link below for further information:

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=17885>

**Free School Lunch** All children in primaries 1 to 4 are entitled to free school lunches provided by the Scottish Government. For children in primaries 5 to 7 the cost is £1.90, unless you have applied for and been granted free school meals for this session. You can follow the link above if you wish to apply.

**Pupil Absence Reporting** There are new procedures for pupil absence reporting. Please follow the link below or fuller information:

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence>

**Harvest Assembly** Primary 5 will be leading our Harvest Assembly which takes place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 1.45pm. All parents and carers are invited to attend.



### Supporting Our Local Charity

Our charity for this term is our local food bank. Parents and carers are asked to support this charity by handing in tinned or dried food and toiletries during week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> September.

**Harvest Tea** Parents and carers and wider family members are invited to a Harvest Tea which will be run by P.7 on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am. All donations of baking will be greatly received.



**Book Bank** Our library has recently been refreshed with new books with a grant from the Foyle Foundation. As a result we have books which we would like to share with children and their families. You are welcome to come along to our reception area after Harvest Tea and choose a book with your child.

If you can't attend your child will have an opportunity to choose a book the following week.

**Uniform Bank** Our uniform bank is bulging with generous donations of school clothes in good condition. Thank you for your generosity. Please feel free to browse at any time and take any items that are of use to your child.

**Master Classes** We have started a block of four week master classes on Friday afternoons. There are a wide variety of classes for the children to choose from and so far they are proving very popular. However, we would like to extend the children's opportunities by inviting parent to participate by running a master class. If you have a skill you could share and are able to participate in any way please contact the school and we will provide you with guidance as to how to get a Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) certificate to work in school.

**Snapshot Jotters** We will shortly be sending home Snapshot Jotters of your child's work and achievements on a monthly basis. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated by discussing your

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child's work with them, completing your comments and returning them on the next school day. These will become a snapshot record of your child's learning and achievements during the session.

#### **Forthcoming School Events**

There will be a whole school focus for the following events:

**Show Racism the Red Card – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October**  
Children are asked to wear something red that day and there will be a whole school assembly to promote positive values.

**World Mental Health Day - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October**  
There will be a whole school focus on promoting mental health.

**Parent Council** The next meeting of the parent council is on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7.00pm. This is the annual general meeting (AGM). Several former active members of the parent council have moved on, as their children have moved to secondary school, so there is currently a real need for parents and get involved.

#### **Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)**



We are delighted that Thornwood has been chosen for the installation of a MUGA. Work will start on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

However, the site will be fenced off in preparation for the work from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September. The school will liaise closely with City Building and the site manager during this work to ensure health and safety is paramount.

**Indoor Shoes** Please ensure that your child has indoor shoes to change into when they come into school. This helps to keep our classrooms and gym hall clean.

Only children with a change of shoes will be able to access the red ash pitch.

**Clubs** There are a wide range of clubs running this term please check our website for fuller information.

**Families into Film Club** Parents and carers are invited to attend a free Families into Film event with their child. The next film showing is *The Gruffalo's Child* on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 3.15pm in the hall.

**Communication** Our school website is regularly updated with useful information for parents/carers. Please also follow us on twitter to keep up to the minute with what's happening in Thornwood.

I look forward to working in partnership with you.

Caroline E. Dunleavy,

Head Teacher



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