

**THUNDRIDGE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**

**PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

**SUMMER WEEKS 4-7**

**20TH JUNE 2019**

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| **WHAT’S GOING ON NEXT WEEK** | |
| Monday 24th June | Library Reading Challenge Assembly |
| Tuesday 25th June | EYFS New Parent Visits 9.00am  Dance & Drama Lunch Club |
| Wednesday 26th June | Athletics Some Years 2-6 Wodson Park – Afternoon Collect at 5.00 |
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| Friday 28th June | Year 5&6 Swimming 9.15 at Fanshaw Pool  Sports Day – start 1.30 followed by Friends Committee Event |
| **WHAT’S ON LATER** | |
| Tuesday 2nd July | EYFS New Parent Visits  Dance & Drama Lunch Club |
| Thursday 4th July | Year 5&6 Class Assembly 9.15am – Village Hall |
| Friday 5th July | Contingency Sports Day |
| Wednesday 10th July | Cluster Sports – Years 3-6 – Stapleford School  Open Evening – 5.00-7.00 |
| Thursday 11th July | EYFS New Children Visit  ‘Moving up Day’ – Whole school  Year 6 visit their Secondary School |
| Friday 12th July | Chauncy Community Day  Whole School involved  Friends Committee School Disco |
| Thursday 18th July | Year 6 Leavers Day Treat |
| Tuesday 23rd July | Leavers Assembly – Village Hall – 9.15  Last day of term |
| Monday 2nd September | Inset Day |
| Tuesday 3rd September | First Day of Autumn Term |

**Birthdays…**

**Rachel Grierson -1st June**

**Isabella Le Grys - 1st June**

**Fletcher Hart - 5th June**

**Mrs King - 7th June**

**Elena Smyth - 10th June**

**Billy Cyl – 11th June**

**Chloe Pearce – 23rd June**

**Michael Mann – 1st July**

**Miss Gaze – 2nd July**

**Mason King – 2nd July**

**Alex Warner – 3rd July**

**Ralph Bradley-May – 6th July**

**George Hartfield – 6th July**

**Mrs Welsh – 9th July**

**Awards Friday 17th May 2019**

**Head Teacher Award-**

Year 6 for a huge effort, concentration and a positive attitude during all the SATS.

**Class Awards:**

**Foundation Stage** – Brodie Fenton, Aoife Obrien &

Preston Tyler

**Year 1&2** – Betsy Baker & Josie Brown

**Year 3&4** – Oliver Chamberlain & I sabella Le Gry

**Year 5&6** - Lewis Greatrex & Martha Stopps

**Mrs Tarbuck Award** –

**Lunch Staff Awards** – Izzy Basham, George Hartfield

& All of Foundation Stage

**House Points Winner** – Clarkson

Well done all of you!

**Awards Friday 7th June 2019**

**Head Teacher Award-**

Dana Harris-West for amazing use of phonics in her independant writing.

**Class Awards:**

**Foundation Stage** – Jude Chappell & Michael Mann

**Year 1&2** – Lily-May Hewitt-Makin & Amy Johnson

**Year 3&4** – Tommy Brown & Lily Mann

**Year 5&6** – Billy Cyl & Elena Smyth

**Mrs Tarbuck Award** – Joseph Fox

**Lunch Staff Awards** – Ralph Bradley-May

**House Points Winner** – Hanbury

Well done all of you!

**Awards Friday 14th June 2019**

**Head Teacher Award-**

Joseph Fox for a positive attitude towards all his learning and sharing his extra knowledge enthusiastically with the rest of the class.

**Class Awards:**

**Foundation Stage** – Izzy Basham, Ralph Bradley-May,

Micheal Mann & Preston Tyler

**Year 1&2** – Sydney Marshall & Thomas Smyth

**Year 3&4** – Zac Earl & Harry March

**Year 5&6** – Libby Adams, Rachel Grierson, Jake Sawdy

Elena Smyth & Martha Stopps

**Mrs Tarbuck Award** – Zoe Thomas

**Lunch Staff Awards** – George Hartfield, Jack Turner

& Preston Tyler

**House Points Winner** – Barclay

Well done all of you!

**Year 1&2 Teachers**

It is with regret I need to inform you Mrs Grange, our part time Year 1&2 Teacher will be leaving at the end of the term to start a full time Teacher position at a special school, nearer home as she now lives a long way away. We wish her all the best in her new position.

However, we are pleased to inform you that Mrs Loader is remaining in Year 1&2 in a full time capacity.

# **Year 3&4 Assembly**

# On 14th June the Year 3&4 class presented their assembly to the whole school and family at the Village Hall. We were all treated to a brilliant assembly all about the Ancient Egyptians. It truly was amazing with a real 'dead body' included! The children had covered so many aspects of this topic including art, design and technology, maths, English, music and of course, history. This was all presented in a dramatised way and the children looked stunning in their costumes.

# Very well done to all the children and to Mrs Frost!

**Year 3&4 Ancient Egyptian Day**

Here are extracts from the children’s writing, the next day.

**Introduction**

It was probably the best day ever (Fletcher). Our class had an Egyptian Day and a man called Mark came in for the day. We had to dress up as an Egyptian, a Mummy or an Egyptologist (Isla). Mark came to our school to tell us about Egypt as it is our topic (Ronnie).

**History**

Mark showed us a map of Egypt (George). He told us who ruled Upper and Lower Egypt (Aden). They were both ruled by Kings that did not like each other (Henry). Lots of tribes tried to steal Egypt’s gold and silver (Izzy). Cleopatra put on her best dress and make up, got a basket and pulled out a poisonous snake. It bit her! (Charlotte).

**Games**

There were 8 quiz boards. We had to answer them (Mason). I got nearly all of them right (Milan). We played ‘Hounds and Jackals’, which was a board game (Jack). It is a bit like Snakes and Ladders (Rylie). Outside, we used foam javelins for spears and hunted animals (Jack). We pretended to hunt for our food (Fearne). You had to try not to hit the Hippo (Macy).

**Mummification**

Some of us acted out parts, like Priestesses and Pharaohs (Izzy). Stanley was the Pharaoh and Milan was his Queen (Lily). I had to march as a man (Stanley). The Pharaoh was poisoned by food he ate (Beth). The Pharaoh died, so we had to mummify the body (Harry). Dead people have their organs taken out (Joseph). We wrapped him in bandages, like a mummy, and put him in a sarcophagus (Olly).

**Artefacts**

Later he showed us artefacts (Finley). I loved seeing the artefacts and the different patterns (Fearne). He showed us a 3500 year old piece of mummy bandage from a tomb and a beer jug with a little naked creature on it, called Bez, who always protected the owner’s family (Oliver).

**And Finally**

At the end we were told Cinderella in the Egyptian form (Dita). Overall, I thought the day was a brilliant day of learning about Ancient Egypt (Harrison).

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**Every One In**

On 6th June, nine children from Year 5&6 spent the afternoon trying out some amazing new sports and games at Wodson Park. The event was organised for small schools in the area and was a Festival rather than a competition, so everybody got to try everything for about 25 minutes, from Dodgeball, Archery, Boccia and other games not normally played. Everybody had a great time learning new skills and working hard while having fun.

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**Stay & Play Sessions**

Thank you to everyone who supported our Stay and Play sessions, we hope they all enjoyed them. They will commence again in the next academic year.

**Message from the School Nurse…**

Please remember you can have your children’s eyes tested for free at the Opticians.

Please contact your GP if you are concerned about your children’s hearing and they will arrange a hearing test with the school nurse. If you need to contact the school nurse they can be contacted on www.hct.nhs.uk.

**Charlotte Chamberlain**

‘I decided to donate my hair (15 inches) to the Little Princess Trust because I wanted to help the children that had lost their hair due to illness. I raised £320.00 and I am really happy with that amount, as my target was £250.00!!



Amazing Charlotte, well done!

**Reminders……**

**Sports Day**

Sports Day will start prompt 1.30 followed the Friends Committee Event. We look forward to see you there.

Kind regards

Miss Greatrex

**Thundridge School Committee**

The Friends of Thundridge School were delighted to be able to give the school £3,346.00 to purchase some wonderful new school equipment which is already being used by the children in their day-to-day learning.

The products purchased by the school were:-

****Numicon, this is the UK’s leading maths resource that is used in many schools to support maths teaching, particularly in the Early Years and Key Stage 1.

Phonics Play is an online resource tool to assist the

****children with their phonics learning and encourage vital reading skills and hopefully give them a real love of reading;

and lastly.,

****Language Angels is a product available to help primary schools progression with foreign languages, as part of the National Curriculum.

**Friends of Thundridge School**