



# THORNHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL



FRIDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2022

## WHOLE SCHOOL MESSAGE

Our school days are always so much fun and our children are always so busy with their learning that the days and weeks go so fast. Our children are very positive about their learning and their time at school. It is important that you are positive about school life and learning as this will benefit your child, please ask about their learning at the end of the school day as this will help to develop their confidence when speaking about their learning and knowledge. We have high expectations of our children and we know they can achieve their potential, your support will ensure this.

We want to instill a love of reading in all our children, please do read to your child and talk about stories and make up stories of your own together, this can be such fun. We know that children who read and engage in imaginative play, do better than their peers in school. Reading opens up the whole curriculum. We have updated information in relation to this on our website in the English curriculum area. [English – Thornhill Primary School – West Lakes Multi Academy Trust](#)

On Tuesday we are offering an opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher, I appreciate many of you may already know your child/ren's teacher but we welcome you to this drop in session where you can come and say hello and introduce yourself. This will be from 3.15pm to 3.45pm.

As it is the start of the new academic year we have updated a number of policies and these are in the statutory information section of our website, this includes our child protection policy. Keeping your child happy and safe is our priority. [Thornhill Primary School – West Lakes Multi Academy Trust](#) Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is anything I can do to support or help with, and we are always grateful of your comments in relation to what we do well, our successes and please do share what you feel we can do better.

This week our children have loved returning to Forest School. We have also held our first good work assembly of the year, and our new approach to rewards was shared with the pupils, this is a big hit. Also, Key Stage 2 parents have received information regarding our residential in January, this will be a brilliant experience for our pupils. If you have any questions or concerns please speak with Mrs Murray.

I would like to share that the West Lakes Academy Year 6 open evening takes place next Thursday from 5pm to 7pm, it is certainly worth going to find out more. We will support all of our year 6's with the transition to secondary school and will share relevant information throughout the year, applications for a secondary school place must be submitted by the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

The official date of the State Funeral is 19 September 2022. This is Monday and will be a bank holiday and the school will therefore be closed. We will reopen as normal on Tuesday. We would welcome you to join our children and tie a remembrance ribbon to our school gates as recognition of her service and duty and as a mark of appreciation and respect, please ask at the school office for a ribbon.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

**Sophie McCabe**

**Executive Headteacher**

# CALENDAR

27/9/22

KS2 REACT Foundation Annual  
Science Show

30/9/22

Macmillan Coffee Morning

30/9/22—6/10/22

Harvest Collection 'Just 1 Tin'

1/10/22

ADHD Awareness Month

7/10/22

Harvest Assembly

24th—28th October 22

Half Term

8/11/22

Nasal Flu - Autumn 2022 programme

## ATTENDANCE

**Whole School - 96%**

**Reception - 80%**

**Year 1 & 2 - 97%**

**Year 3 & 4 - 100%**

**Year 5 & 6 - 96%**

Today  
is a  
great  
day to  
learn  
something  
new.

# SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

<b>CLOSED</b>	Fish Fingers, Chips & Tomato Sauce	Roast Turkey Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Pork Sausage Hot Dog & Potato Wedges	Chicken Fajitas & Rice
<b>CLOSED</b>	Cheese Pasty & Chips	Cauliflower & Cheese Bake	Vegan Sausage Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta
<b>CLOSED</b>	Coleslaw Sweetcorn	Carrot Cabbage	Sweetcorn	Peas
<b>CLOSED</b>	Raspberry Jelly & Mandarins	Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt or Ginger Cookie	Sponge with Custard	Chocolate Shortbread

Freshly cooked jacket potatoes / Fresh Bread / Fresh Fruit / Daily salad selection

# GOOD WORK ASSEMBLY



**Rosie for being a lovely friend**

**Isla has made a great start in Reception**

**Leo for amazing Math's**



**James has displayed his excellent manners**



**STARS OF THE WEEK**



**Hannah has made a great start in Year 6**



**Longlands were the Team Winners rewarded with 20 minutes in the park**



**Our young people showcasing their good work**







# EYFS

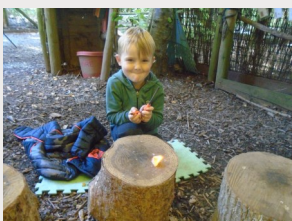
The children enjoyed another wonderful day at Forest School on Monday. They learnt some valuable new skills and as you can see the toasted marshmallows were a big hit!







# KS 1

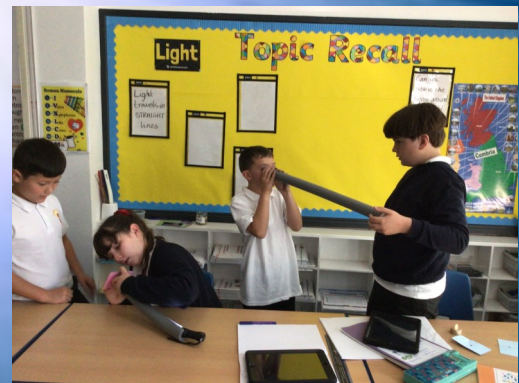
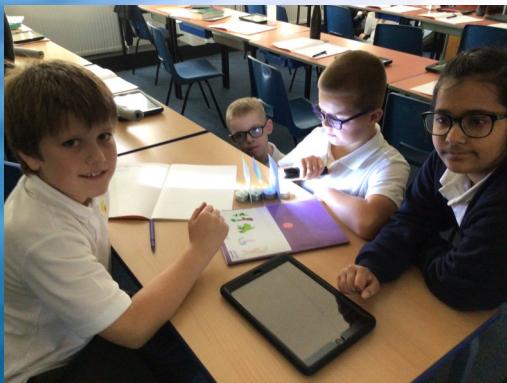




# LIGHT

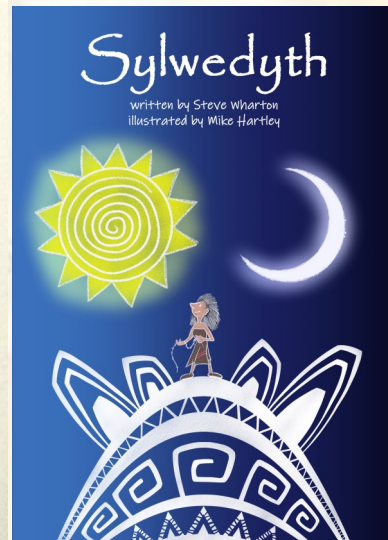
Years 5 & 6 have been proving that light travels in a straight line.

Ask them how fast light travels and what causes a shadow





Kids Art Comp  
Comp 1  
Seasons  
Comp 2  
Space



Create pieces of art on the themes of 'seasons' and/or 'space' to win copies of the new science story book 'Sylwedyth' for you and your school library

Selected artworks will be exhibited at Florence Arts Centre, Egremont  
A winner from each comp will receive 2 copies of 'Sylwedyth'

Comp 1 deadline: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept Comp 2 deadline: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Ask an adult to email a photo of your artwork to [28DalesLater@gmail.com](mailto:28DalesLater@gmail.com)

Competition open to all Nursery, Reception and Primary school children

## Kids' art competition inspired by local stone circle storybook

Children across Cumbria can enter an art competition which will see their works exhibited at Florence Arts Centre in Egremont and have the chance to win books for themselves and their school libraries.

Storyteller Steve Wharton originally wrote the story of Sylwedyth to help children engage with an exhibition of space science at The Beacon Museum. Sylwedyth (pronounced Sil-wed-ith) is a local stone age girl who begins to question her tribe's beliefs. By testing sayings against the weather and observing the movements of the sun and moon, she becomes Britain's first scientist.

Steve said, "Having worked with children as a storyteller and early years teacher, I'm in awe of their ability to absorb information. I hope this is the first of a series of books that will help children to tackle some big concepts by presenting them in relatable ways."

The book expands on Sylwedyth's story with some pages of science explanation suitable for younger children. A review in Popular Astronomy magazine hailed the book as, "a really thought provoking and enjoyable reading experience."

The competition has two themes, seasons and space. Nursery, reception and primary school children can submit any form of artwork in response to the themes. They need to ask an adult to email a photo of their artwork to [28DalesLater@gmail.com](mailto:28DalesLater@gmail.com) by each theme's deadline. The deadlines are: Seasons 18<sup>th</sup> Sept and Space 29<sup>th</sup> Sept.

The works will be judged by author Steve Wharton, illustrator Mike Hartley and editorial consultant Forrest Nellis-Wharton. The artworks will be exhibited at Florence Arts Centre during the weeks of the Autumnal Equinox (22<sup>nd</sup> Sept) and World Space Week (4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Oct).

# Thornhill Primary School supporting North Lakes Foodbank Harvest 2022

We will hold a Harvest collection for North Lakes Foodbank during the week of  
30/9/22—6/10/22. More details to follow soon.

## School Harvest Appeal 2022



**Giving 'Just 1 Tin' can make a  
huge difference in someone's life.**



Please help if you can. Thank you!



Tins we would like you to donate:  
Baked Beans, Tinned Soup, Tinned Meat, Tinned  
Veg, Tinned Tuna, Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned  
Fruit, Tinned Custard or Tinned Rice Pudding

For more information and downloads go to [www.thefoodbank.org.uk/schools](http://www.thefoodbank.org.uk/schools)  
Contact: Stuart Christian, North Lakes Foodbank, Schools Worker  
Email: [Stuart@thefoodbank.org.uk](mailto:Stuart@thefoodbank.org.uk) Mob: 07733338352





# TUESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 22



## flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



### 1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

### 2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

### 3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

### 4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

### 5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

For more information visit  
[www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

**Flu**  **mmunisation**  
Helping to protect children, every winter

# FUN ACTIVITIES AT HOME



[Makaton - LITTLE PETER RABBIT - Singing Hands - YouTube](#)



## Little Peter Rabbit had a fly upon his nose

Little Peter Rabbit had a fly upon his nose,

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Little Peter Rabbit had a fly upon his nose,

So he flipped it and he flopped it  
And the fly flew away.

Floppy tail and curly whiskers,  
Floppy tail and curly whiskers,  
Floppy tail and curly whiskers,  
So he flipped it and he flopped it  
And the fly flew away



### Younger children

Try gently stroking your baby's ears (floppy ears) and each side of their mouth (curly whiskers)

Let your little one try and copy your actions as you sing the song – make bunny ears with your hands, touch your nose and flap your hands to fly away.

### Older children

Add actions to the song or learn to sign by clicking the link above for singing hands. Once children know the song and the actions, try missing out some of the words but keep the actions – see if they can fill in the blanks for you – or sing quietly in their head.