



THORNHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY 17th FEBRUARY



WHOLE SCHOOL MESSAGE

We have had a number of visitors in school this week, and as always, they have commented on our children and their wonderful manners. We had guest speakers in talking to children about 'Team Evie', they spoke about the Team Evie Reading Challenge, this is a sponsored event which takes place in schools to raise money to buy mobile libraries for children in hospital.

As a school we will be supporting this and further information will be shared. We are looking forward to celebrating world book day after half term, our children are all making excellent progress with their reading, we know the joy a great book can bring and our children do enjoy reading.

Thank you to all parents who came to the family lunch, we really hope you enjoyed it and we look forward to welcoming you into school next half term for our pupil showcase. It is lovely to have you in school, and please do share any thoughts, we welcome your feedback.

The next proposed national and regional action in England and Wales is set for the 28th February. We worked to operate as close to normal as possible for our children on the initial strike day, and we will operate in the same way on the 28th February, we will be open for all pupils except two year olds. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

I hope you have a wonderful half term.

Sophie McCabe

Executive Headteacher



2/3/23

World Book Day 2023

6/3/23

Forest School Trips

17/3/23

Comic Relief -Red Nose Day

20/3/23—26/3/23

Down's Syndrome Awareness Week

21/3/23

Down's Syndrome Lots of Socks Day

22/3/2023

Pupil Showcase & Parent Forum

30/3/2023

**Yrs 4, 5 & 6 Charlie & the Chocolate
Factory Trip**

31/3/23

End of Term

ATTENDANCE

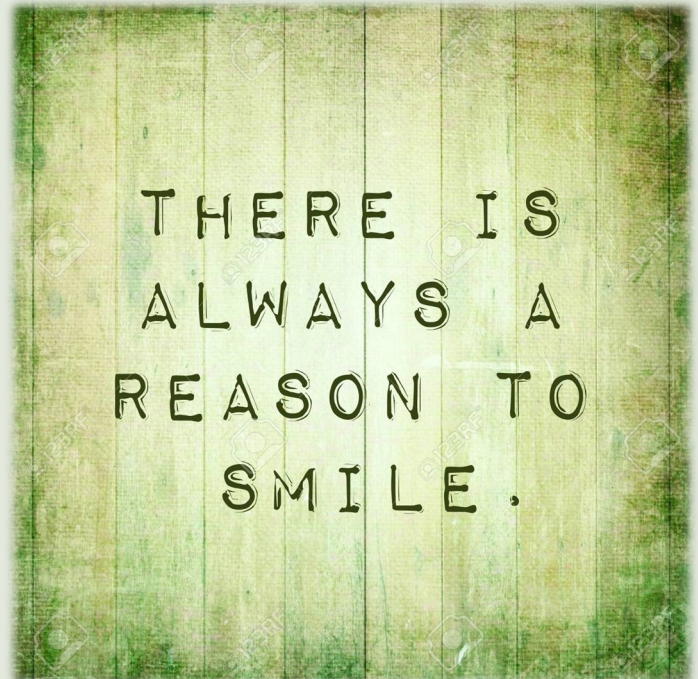
Whole School 96%

Reception – 90%

Year 1 & 2 – 95%

Year 3 & 4 – 95%

Year 5 & 6 – 96%

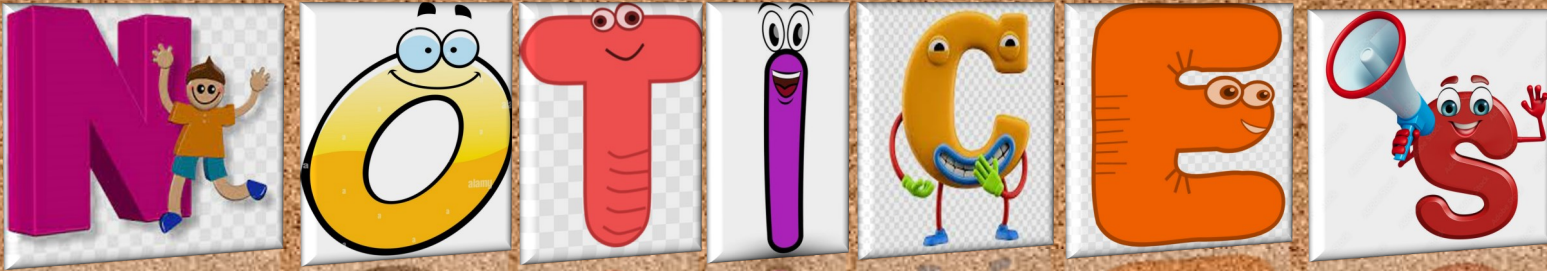


SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

Meatballs in Gravy & mashed potatoes	Spaghetti Bolognaise & Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cheesy Pizza Swirl & Cubed Potatoes	Sausage, Chips & tomato sauce
Tomato Pasta	Vegetable Bolognaise & Garlic Bread	Pasta Broccoli Bake	Veggie Quiche with Coleslaw	Fishfingers & Chips tomato sauce
Mixed Veg	Sweetcorn	Carrot Broccoli	Baked Beans	Peas Baked Beans
Apple Crumble & Custard	Jelly & Fruit	Sultana Flapjack	Oaty Cookie	Apple, Cheese & Crackers

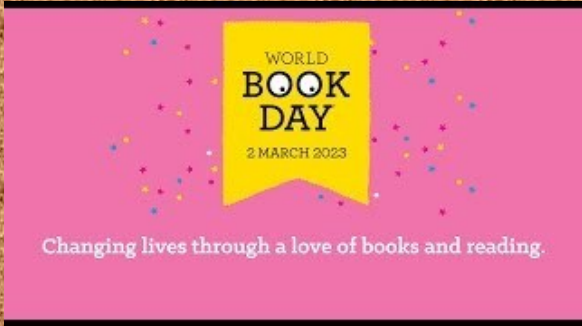
Freshly cooked jacket potatoes / Fresh Bread / Fresh Fruit / Daily salad selection



MARCH 21: WDS D
SEE THE ABILITY!



World Down Syndrome Day





TEAM EVIE SCHOOL READING CHALLENGE



We are excited to be taking part in a sponsored reading challenge to raise funds for Team Evie. The challenge will take place over the week of 27th February to 3rd March and was introduced to the children by the founder of the charity, Greg Johnston during an assembly in school on Wednesday. The challenge will enable us to help provide books for children who are in hospital to read and enjoy.

During the challenge children set their own 'challenge goal and are sponsored to complete this within the week. As the challenge is set by the child themselves it is linked to their age and reading ability.

The challenge could be to read 2 books each night with an adult, read a full chapter book within a week, read for a longer time every evening. The funds raised are used by the charity to supply books to hospitals for families to share with their children.

All children will bring home a challenge card and a book mark. Sponsor money can be sent online using the link below or brought into school once children have completed the full week.

<https://www.teamevie.org/get-involved/readingchallenge/>



This charity based in West Cumbria was set up to help sick children and their families all in the name of amazing Evie – whose story you can read

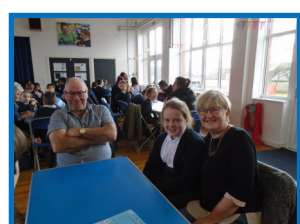
[All About Evie - The ongoing inspiration for Team Evie](#)

FAMILY LUNCH

On Tuesday 14th February we welcomed parents and carer's into school to share a meal with their children.

The lunch, freshly prepared by our wonderful catering team was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

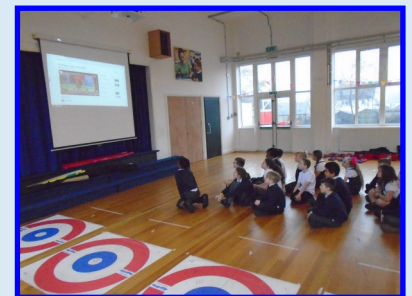
A selection of homemade Valentine cookies made the perfect finishing touch!



New Age Kurling

New Age Kurling is a form of the original curling game, but adapted so that it can be played indoors on any smooth, flat surface. This is a sport that is great for all children to be involved as it doesn't matter how big you are, how strong you are, how quick you are, anyone and everyone can play!

The children had a chance to try out this different sport on Thursday and they had great fun !



Bikeability - Feedback request for cycle training

Bikeability : Your Feedback Matters



We hope that you enjoyed your Bikeability training at school. We'd really like you to tell us what you liked and what you think could be better. By sharing your experience with us, we can make sure that everyone enjoys their Bikeability training in future. Please take a few minutes to complete the short surveys below.

Parents

Children

Parents / Guardians Survey::

Junior Cyclist Survey:

Use the following link or scan the QR code below

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<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XB736LT>

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XHY6KX7>



If you would like to find out more about cycling in Cumbria please visit [Cycling - Active Cumbria](#)

Has your training inspired you to do more cycling? Ask an adult to visit [Take the Bikeability Pledge - Active Cumbria](#) to make a Bikeability Pledge and be entered into a termly prize draw for the chance to win some fantastic prizes.

Be part of it!



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A series of child friendly nature trails exploring
Cumbrian Green Spaces



The Hiking Household is designed to be a go-to guide for families of
all abilities who are keen to get outside with their brood

Scan me!



For all
our walks

www.thehikinghousehold.com



Scan the QR code
to view the maps

Local walks for children & families

The Early Years Team have been working with The Hiking Household to develop a series of 6 maps aimed at pre-school children and their families packed with prompts and games to spark the imagination and start curious conversations.

Maps are available for the following family friendly locations:

- ⇒ Chances Park, Carlisle
- ⇒ Thacka Beck, Penrith
- ⇒ Castle Park, Whitehaven
- ⇒ Abbot Hall Park, Kendal
- ⇒ Barrow Park, Barrow in Furness
- ⇒ Vulcan Park, Workington

The maps are free to download from the Hiking Household's website:

<https://thehikinghousehold.com/our-projects/>