



Thorpe Church of England Primary School

Faith, Love and Excellence

Our Vision

Through Christ who strengthens us, all will flourish at our school, with Faith, Love and Excellence

♥ This week's news ♥

The **Strength** within our school community continues to grow and this support is genuinely appreciated by everyone. The children have enjoyed a memorable mufti day, and together you have helped raise over £300 for FOTSA to purchase the Christmas crackers for our Christmas lunch on Monday 16th December. This generous contribution will ensure that every child enjoys a truly festive meal—thank you to all who donated.

Over the course of this term we have been exploring different ways to deliver our Collective Worship. We have continued to focus on our school Vision of **Faith, Love and Excellence**, alongside our school Values. Many families will have enjoyed seeing the new **Values In Practice** certificates that were awarded today, celebrating **Honesty, Respect, Aspiration, Trust and Strength**. I look forward to continuing to explore our Christian Distinctiveness as we approach a significant period in the Christian calendar.

We have also received some comments regarding Owls Club and the financial difficulties this provision is currently presenting for the school. I want to reassure families that we really do not want to close this facility and we are doing everything we can to continue offering wrap-around care until 5:30pm from Monday to Thursday. If numbers do not increase, it may be that we can only sustain the club from Tuesday to Thursday, as Monday currently has only a small number of children attending. We will continue to keep you updated, and thank you for your understanding and support as we work through this together.

A huge thank you to the Hannington family (and Mrs Manning for delivery from the Lyne Farm Shop) for your very kind donation of the amazing Christmas tree. Thank you Mr Lubbock for decorating the hall so beautifully.

Team Thorpe

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Friday 28th November 2025

This Week's Values based Achievements

- Year 1** Freddie S
- Year 2** Margot
- Year 3** Sahib
- Year 4** Sofia V
- Year 5** Darcy Rose
- Year 6** Angel

Congratulations

<i>Our values are rooted in prayerful faith in God</i> ♥	HONESTY	Autumn 1
	EMPATHY	Autumn 2
	ASPIRATION	Spring 1
	RESPECT	Spring 2
	TRUST	Summer 1
	STRENGTH	Summer 2

Mars	Saturn	Venus	Neptune
126	112	131	107

Team points are awarded for excellent attitudes towards learning and excellent behaviour attitudes.

Well done everyone for working hard to earn teams points. Well done Saturn for winning over all this week!

Reminders for next week.....

Tuesday 2nd December –KS2 Times Tables Meeting for all parents (especially Year 3 and newer parents) online at 2pm. The joining code to be sent out on Monday.



2025-2026 Calendar

Thorpe Church of England Primary School

Autumn Term

Faith, Love and Excellence

Dates for your Diary 2025-2026 [INFANTS: YR, Y1 and Y2]

[JUNIORS: Y3,Y4,Y5 and Y6]

December 25	
Tues 2 nd	KS2 Times Tables Meeting for all parents (especially all Year 3 parents) online at 2pm Years 5&6 Football match v St Charles Borremeo Weybridge Primary after school
Mon 8 th	Christmas Bake Off Sale – bring in your nut free cakes in the morning, cake sale after school Year 4 and Egham Youth Brass Project Christmas Concert 7.30pm at St.Johns Church Egham. Parents welcome.
Tues 9 th	9.30am INFANTS/KS1 only – Christmas Dress Rehearsal with siblings, Nursery & guests from Noah’s Ark
Thurs 11 th	9.30am 1 st Performance Christmas Play (KS1 children)
Fri 12 th	9.30am 2 nd Performance Christmas Play (KS1 children)
Mon 15 th	Years 4 & 5 Junior Carol Service at St Mary’s 8.40am drop off at the church Year 4 & 5 parents invited to attend
Tues 16 th	Years 3 & 6 Christingle Service at St Mary’s 8.40am drop off at the church Year 3 & 6 parents invited to attend Christmas School Lunch (see form) and Christmas Jumper Day (optional)
Wed 17 th	Years 3 & 4 trip to ‘Firework Makers Daughter’ Theatre Production Wimbledon. Leave at 8.30am.
Fri 19 th	Break Up at 1.15pm
Thur 25 th	Christmas Day – all are welcome to services at St Mary’s Church - https://www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk/
CHRISTMAS BREAK Mon 22nd December – Fri January 2nd	
January 2026	
Mon 5 th	INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 6 th	Return to school at 8.40am
Thurs 8 th	Year 6 SATS meeting for parents – details to be confirmed
Mon 12 th	Year 6 Drama workshops at TESIS School Theatre 2-3pm.
Wed 14 th	10am Finance & Staffing Committee Meeting
w/c Mon 19 th	Lesson Observation Week
Wed 21 st	1.15pm Governors Children’s Learning Committee
Fri 23 rd	Parent Voice – Rep Meeting with Headteacher in school – 8.45am (comments to reps please)
Tues 27 th	9.15am Governors Coordination Meeting
Fri 30 th	Emerald Class Assembly at 9.15am in school hall – families welcome
February 2026	
Tues 3 rd	Amethyst Class Assembly at 9.15am in school hall – families welcome
Tues 10 th	PEC Governors Meeting at 9.30am
Fri 6 th	NSPCC Number Day – Children to wear something with a number on and will take part in fun maths activities
Fri 13 th	Break up for Half Term – 3.15pm pick up
HALF TERM 16th – 20th February	

FOTSA NEWS

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM: @FOTSA THORPE
FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK: 'FRIENDS OF THORPE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION'



Last week we hosted a Wreath Making Evening, which was a huge success.

A big thank you to Emmie-Lou's nan for hosting the evening. Next year we will try to book 2 sessions in to allow more people to join in the fun!



Monday 8th December – Thorpe Christmas Bake Off. Children and parents are invited to bake some festive treats and bring them to school in the morning. There will then be a bake sale after school with Mr Blaney awarding a 'star baker' from KS1 and KS2. (see advert below)

Friday 12th December - Christmas Disco. Get out your party clothes and get ready to boogie. KS1 from 4 – 5pm, KS2 from 5:15 to 6:15pm. £7 a ticket and price includes a drink and snack. Tickets need to be prebooked. They can be booked here - <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FOUM>

Christmas balloon race - **FOTSA VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS BALLOON RACE:** Enter Here: <https://ecoracing.co/cause/friends-of-thorpe-school-association-2780/>

What is a Virtual Balloon Race?

A virtual balloon race is an online, eco-friendly fundraiser where participants sponsor a computer-generated balloon to travel the furthest distance.

You can purchase a balloon(s) to enter the race at a cost of £3 each. You can then customise your balloon with different colours, patterns and change the amount of helium it has in it and how thick the balloon is, so you have a better chance of winning the race!

The race then uses real-time weather data to simulate the flight path of the virtual balloon for a set period, typically seven days, and the winner is the balloon that travels the greatest distance.

This method raises funds for charities without the environmental damage associated with physical balloon releases

Please all support St Mary's Christmas Fair on Saturday 6th December 12.30pm - 4pm. Lights switch on at 3.45pm.

Welcome to
**St Mary's Thorpe
Christmas Fair**
Saturday 6th December
12.30pm - 4.00pm



Thorpe Brass 3pm

Tower Lights Switch On 3.45pm

Nativity Crib Santa's Grotto Carols

Bacon Rolls Tea & Coffee Mulled Wine Hot Dogs

Children's Area - Games Crafts Stalls

Tombolas Decorations Gifts

Produce Cakes Jewellery

Grand Draw Tickets £1

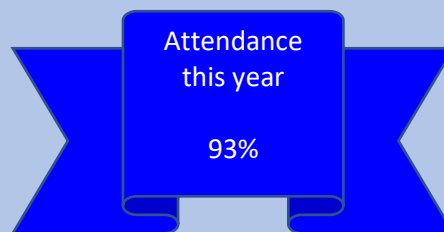
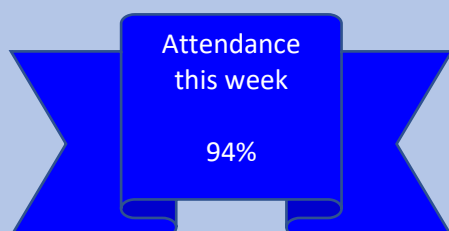
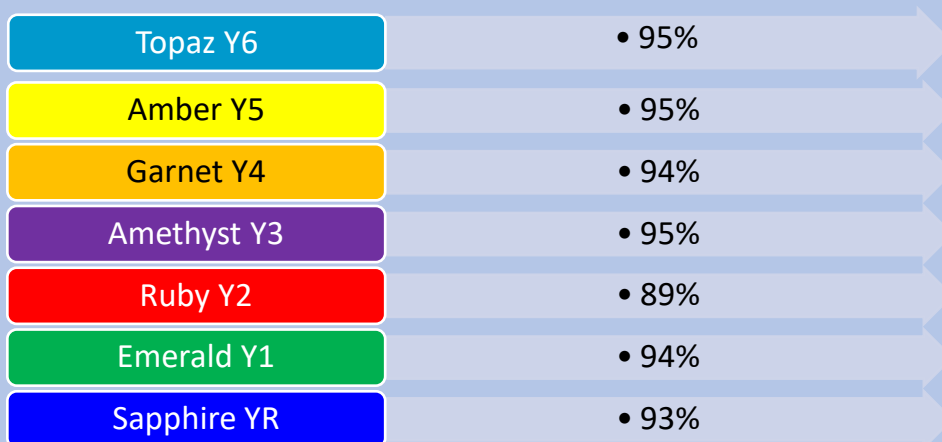
Prizes Include
Cash Prizes, Restaurant Vouchers, Bottles of Fine Spirits
and many more!!

St Mary's Church, Church Approach, Thorpe TW20 8TQ

Attendance Impact



Class Attendance Academic Year to Date - goal 100%



Punctuality Impact

Gates open between 8.35-8.40am **Registration:** 8.40-8.45am

If you arrive between 8.50am and 9.30am, you will be marked **late**

If you arrive after 9.30am you will be marked as an **unauthorised absence**, (10 unauthorised will incur a fine)

5 mins late each day	The same as missing 3 school days a year
10 mins late each day	The same as missing 6 school days a year
15 mins late each day	The same as missing 9 school days a year

Please be aware that a Penalty Notice may be issued by Surrey County Council per parent, per child for 5 or more days of unauthorised absence (these do not need to be consecutive). Notices are £160 per child (reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days)
See the school website under 'Attendance' for full details. Full notice below.

WEEKLY MENU

WEEK 1
WEEK 2
WEEK 3



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Margherita Pizza (MK, G/W)	Piri Piri Chicken	Butcher's Sausage With Mashed Potato & Gravy (CE, MK, SO, SU, G/W)	Butter Chicken Curry (G/B*, O*, R*, W*)	Battered Fish Or Salmon Fishcakes & Chips (F, G/W)
VEGGIE	Veggie Supreme Pizza (MK, G/W)	Piri Piri Quorn & Veggies (CE, E, MU, G/B, O*, R*, W)	Veggie Sausage With Mashed Potato & Gravy (MK, G/W)	Chickpea & Vegetable Masala (CE, MK, G/B*, O*, R*, W*)	Vegan Nuggets & Chips (G/W)
SIDES	Homemade Potato Wedges & Green Salad	Steamed Rice & Green Beans	Roasted Carrots & Parsnips	Steamed Rice & Green Beans	Beans or Peas
PASTA & JACKET	Vegan Roasted Vegetable Pasta (G/W)	Jacket & Salad	Tomato & Basil Pasta (CE, G/W)	Jacket & Salad	Mac & Cheese (MK, G/W)
PUD	Orange & Berry Cake (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Chocolate & Orange Brownie (E, MK, SO, G/B*, W)	Apple Crumble With Custard (MK, G/W)	Carrot Cake (E, MK, SO*, G/B*, O*, W)	Cinnamon Swirl (G/W)

THEME DAYS



DAILY SALAD BAR | HOMEMADE BREAD | FRESH FRUIT

DATES

1 SEP / 22 SEP /
13 OCT / 10 NOV /
1 DEC

ALLERGENS

CE - CELERY F - FISH O/O - OATS L - LUPIN MU - MUSTARD SO - SOYA * - MAY CONTAIN
CR - CRUSTACEAN G - GLUTEN O/R - RYE MK - MILK N - NUTS SU - SULPHUR V - VEGAN
E - EGGS G/B - BARLEY G/W - WHEAT MO - MOLLUSCS P - PEANUTS SE - SESAME SEEDS S - SEASONAL VEG



CHRISTMAS DISCO

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER

KS1 - 4PM - 5PM
KS2 - 5.15PM - 6.15PM

PRICE INCLUDES DRINK, CRISPS, FRUIT & YOUR DISCO TICKET

£7 PER PERSON

FOTSA PRESENTS THE VIRTUAL Christmas Balloon RACE

Winner gets £100 Cash Prize!
£3.00 PER BALLOON

SIMPLY BUY YOUR BALLOONS TO ENTER THE RACE!

Buy as many balloons as you like. Please share with friends and family & ask them to join in with the race!

Personalise your balloon with your favourite colour, shape and pattern & how much air it needs to help you win the race!

See the link below or scan QR code to Enter