



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 ♥

It has not quite been the week we had all anticipated. I would like to thank everyone for their patience and understanding regarding the postponement of this week's festive events. Although it is a real shame, our priority must continue to be the safety and wellbeing of our children, staff, and families. We are hopeful that these events will be able to go ahead next week.

I would also like to congratulate our winners, Florence and Maisie for their wonderful cake designs in Monday's Bake Off. The standard of entries was exceptionally high, with so many creative cakes and cookies that choosing just two winners was incredibly difficult. Thank you to everyone who donated, and a special mention to those who attended and helped run the event on behalf of FOTSA. Many parents commented on what a successful and enjoyable event it was, and I am sure we will see future Bake Offs in the spring and summer terms.

This Sunday, St Mary's Church will be holding their Carol Service at 10am and 6.00pm. It would be lovely to see members of our school community there at this special time of year.

Please see the section below regarding next week's organisation. I would particularly like to draw your attention to Tuesday, which is a busy day. Year 3 and Year 6 will attend the Christingle Service at St Mary's. Children should wear full school uniform, but may wear a Christmas jumper if they wish. As Tuesday is also our Christmas Lunch, all children can wear their jumpers throughout the day. Thank you again to FOTSA for funding the crackers using the proceeds from our recent mufti day. Please note that PE for Year 3 and Year 6 will not require PE kit on this occasion.

Have a lovely weekend and keep safe.

Team Thorpe

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Friday 12th December 2025

This Week's Values based Achievements

- Year 1** Aiden
- Year 2** Christian
- Year 3** Wilbur
- Year 4** Barney
- Year 5** Bella W
- Year 6** Anjola

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
142	142	121	103

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 & Mars for winning over all this week!

Reminders for next week.....

Monday 15th	Years 4&5 Carol Concert at St Marys cancelled
Tuesday 16th	Christingle Service for Years 3 & 6 at St Marys–8.50am Christmas Jumper Day, School Christmas lunch
Wednesday 17th	Years 3 & 4 Theatre trip – packed lunch needed. Separate small bag with water bottle and morning snack. Registration at 8.30am
Thursday 18th	KS1 Nativity Performance at 9.30am
Friday 19th	KS1 Nativity Performance at 9.30am Finish at 1.15pm

Please kindly remember that chocolate should not be included in lunch boxes or for morning snacks. Please kindly refer to the school's Health Eating and Drinking policy for guidance on the school website.

No Coding, Netball or Brass Band clubs next week.
Archery, Cheerleading and all Football Clubs still taking place.

Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 16th – the choice is Turkey Christmas lunch or vegetarian Wellington. Please note there is not a deli or jacket potato option on this day.



2025-2026 Calendar

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Dates for your Diary 2025-2026 [INFANTS: YR, Y1 and Y2] [JUNIORS: Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6]	
Mon 15th	Years 4 & 5 Junior Carol Service at St Mary's 8.40am drop off at the church Year 4 & 5 parents invited to attend event cancelled
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 and Christmas Jumper Day (optional)
Wed 17 th	Years 3 & 4 trip to 'Firework Makers Daughter' Theatre Production Wimbledon. Registration at 8.30am.
Thurs 18 th	Rescheduled KS1 Nativity at 9.30am * subject to confirmation
Fri 19th	Rescheduled KS1 Nativity at 9.30am * subject to confirmation Break Up at 1.15pm
Thur 25th	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.
w/c Mon 19th	Lesson Observation Week
Fri 23rd	Parent Voice – Rep Meeting with Headteacher in school – 8.45am (comments to reps please)
Wed 28 th	Teaching and Learning Governors Meeting 1.30pm
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
Fri 6 th	NSPCC Number Day – Children to wear something with a number on and will take part in maths activities
Fri 13th	Break up for Half Term – 3.15pm pick up
HALF TERM 16 th – 20th February	
Mon 23rd	Return to school – 8.40am
Wed 25th	Primary Music Festival Dorking Halls KS2 school choir to attend
March 2026	
Thurs 5th	Celebration of World Book Day – details to follow
Tues 19th	Sapphire Class 'Little City' event in school – dets to follow Parents Evening 3.30-6pm
Wed 11th	Finance and Resources Governors Meeting 1.30pm
Thurs 12th	Parents' Evening – 4.30pm – 7pm
Fri 13 th	Amber Class Assembly at 9.15am in school hall families welcome
Wed 18 th	Full Governing Body Meeting 1.30pm
Fri 20 th	Garnet Class Assembly at 9.15am in school hall – families welcome
Mon 23 rd	Years 3 & 4 Easter Church Service 9am drop at St Marys Church – parents welcome
Tues 24 th	Years 5 & 6 Easter Church Service 9am drop at St Marys Church – parents welcome
Fri 27th	Break Up for Easter at 1.15pm
April 2026	
Easter Break Mon 1st April to Friday 10th April	

**Please note some key changes to dates in the Spring term
Easter Services and Parents' Evening dates have changed**

St Mary's Church Thorpe

- 1st December** **Advent Carol Service.**
For all the community, hosted jointly by St Mary's and TASIS England.
Followed by mulled cider and mince pies.
- 14th December** **10am Family Carols**
Hear the Christmas story and sing your favourite Carols.
- 6pm St Mary's Lessons and Carols**
A traditional atmospheric Carol service to enjoy the wonder of Christmas.
Followed by refreshments.
- Christmas Eve** **3pm and 4.45pm Crib Services**
Come dressed as nativity figures, sing the songs, join the story.
Followed by refreshments.
- 11pm Midnight Mass**
Reflective service to joyfully welcome Christmas Day and the birth of Christ.
- Christmas Day** **8am Holy Communion**
- 10am Family Communion**
A festival celebration of the gift of Christmas for everyone.



"Designed by Freepik"

**Carol Concerts this Sunday 14th December
at 10am and 6pm - all welcome**

**The crib services on Christmas Eve 24th December are at
3pm and 4.45pm.**

A beautiful celebration of Christmas for all the family.

**Please come long and
dress as nativity figure if you wish to.**

Support available this **WINTER**

If you need support now, here's what to do:

If you are in immediate danger: call [999](tel:999)

If you have an urgent need, call our crisis line on [0800 915 4644](tel:08009154644). It's open 24/7. You can also call NHS 111 and select the mental health option.

Self help tools & resources

A range of resources, strategies, and tools developed by professionals can be found on our [resources section](#). Resources on self care, anxiety, depression and much more are available, with links through to other useful websites.



Online support

If you need support with life's ups and downs outside of your regular support system, try Kooth which offers a free, safe, anonymous online support (kooth.com) or Chat Health which offers confidential text support with a qualified nurse (chathealth.nhs.uk).



Workshops and groups

We offer free workshops and groups for children, young people, and families - no request for support or diagnosis needed. More information on our [Early Support pages](#).



CYP Havens

The [Children Young People \(CYP\) Havens](#) are a welcoming space for 10 to 18 year olds to talk about worries and mental health in confidence. Provided by Surrey County Council.



Out of hours advice line

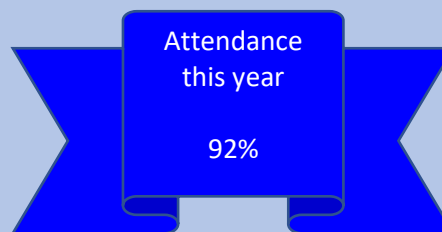
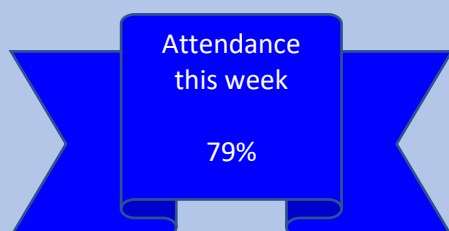
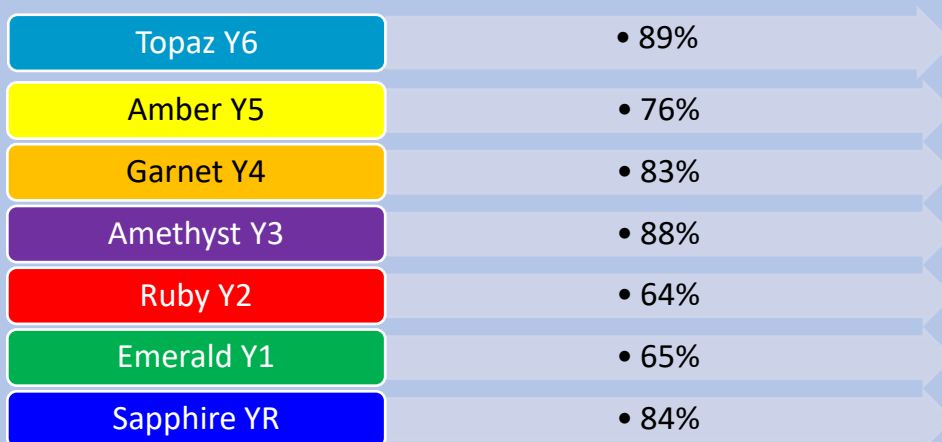
A free out-of-hours phone line provides advice to parents and carers who are struggling with behaviours or difficulties which could be related to neurodevelopmental need, such as autism or ADHD. It runs from 5pm until 11pm, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Please call 0300 222 5755



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.

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

