



Thorpe Church of England Primary School

Faith, Love and Excellence

Our Vision

Through Christ, we will flourish together with Faith, Love and Excellence

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Friday 20th March 2026

♥ This week's news ♥

On Tuesday Fr. Stephen led an extended collective worship, helping the children to understand how Holy Communion is shared in church. This thoughtful session gave pupils time to reflect on what this special practice means to Christians. As part of the experience, children were offered a small piece of dried bread and a red grape, symbolising the body and blood of Christ, which helped to deepen their understanding in a meaningful and age-appropriate way. We are very grateful to Fr. Stephen for the time and care he put into preparing and delivering this worship.

We would also like to congratulate the children in Garnet Class for their wonderful class assembly today. We learnt so much about chocolate and how it was discovered by the Mayan civilisation. Well done to everyone involved, everyone left feeling the urge to eat some chocolate!

Thank you to Mrs Ambridge who organised a football match for the school team. The children played fantastically well and secured an impressive 10-0 victory. Harry Said, " We all played really well and we tracked back as a team to work as a strong unit. We hope to do the same in our next match on Tuesday."

Next week, we will be holding our attendance assembly where a significant number of children will be recognised for their excellent attendance. This is very encouraging and we are pleased to see such a positive commitment from our pupils and families. Our overall school attendance currently stands at 92%, which shows good progress. While there is still work to be done to reach our target of 95%, it is clear that we are moving in the right direction.

Joe Blaney and the Thorpe Team

Our values are rooted in prayerful faith in God ♥

HONESTY

EMPATHY

AIM HIGH

RESPECT

TRUST

Next week in school....

Monday 23rd – Years 3 & 4 Easter Service at St Marys. Please drop at church. Families welcome

BAKE OFF - please drop cakes at school. Cake sale after school

Tuesday 24th – Years 5&6 Easter Service at St Marys. Please drop at church. Families welcome

Friday 27th – school closes at 1.15pm.

Team Points

Mars	Saturn	Venus	Neptune
95	94	69	64

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 Mars for winning over all this week!

A special **congratulations** goes to the 15 children who have achieved 100% attendance so far this academic year, an outstanding accomplishment. We look forward to celebrating all of our pupils' efforts and continuing to work together as a school community to further improve attendance in the weeks ahead.

Well done Garnet Class for 100% attendance this week!

Thank you Fr. Stephen for teaching us about receiving Holy Communion. Please discuss this special experience with your KS2 child.








Thorpe Primary School

WEEKLY MENU

WEEK 1
WEEK 2
WEEK 3



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN 	Beef & Lentil Bolognese Pasta Bake (MK, G/B*, W*)	Meat Feast Pizza (MK, G/W)	Homemade Chicken Sausage Roll & Gravy (E, G/W)	Chicken Kebab with Pitta (G/W)	Battered Fish or Salmon Fishcake & Chips (F, G/B*, W)
VEGGIE 	Tomato & Basil Pasta (CE, G/W) V	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (MK, G/W)	Veggie Sausage Roll (MK*, SO, G/W)	Vegetable Kebab with Pitta (G/W) V	Margherita Pizza & Chips (MK, G/W)
SIDES 	Garlic Bread & Green Salad (MK, SO*, G/W) V	Homemade Potato Wedges & Green Salad V	Rustic Roast Potatoes with Roasted Carrots & Parsnips S V	Homemade Potato Wedges & Green Salad V	Beans or Peas V
PASTA & JACKET 	Vegan Roasted Vegetable Pasta (G/W)	Jacket Potato & Salad	Tomato & Basil Pasta (CE, G/W)	Jacket Potato & Salad	Mac & Cheese (MK, G/W)
PUD 	Homemade Chocolate Cookie (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Iced Vanilla Sponge (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Chocolate & Orange Brownie (E, MK, SO, G/B, W)	Orange & Berry Cake (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Cinnamon Swirl (G/W)
Daily Salad Bar Homemade Bread Fresh Fruit					

THEME DAYS



DATES

12 JAN / 02 FEB /
02 MAR / 23 MAR

ALLERGENS

CE = CELERY F = FISH G/O = OATS L = LUPIN MU = MUSTARD SO = SOYA * = MAY CONTAIN
CR = CRUSTACEAN G = GLUTEN G/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



Please note there is no deli option available on a Monday.



Thank you Alex Weller for creating the beautiful Easter hampers
Raffle closes at 5pm – a last chance to purchase your ticket.





EASTER SPORTS SCHOOL

Beaufort School, Woking Ages 5-13 9am-3pm*

*Individual drop off and pick up times will be confirmed when places are booked.

COURSE DATES AND DETAILS

Week One	Monday 30th March to Thursday 2nd April Multi Sports Week
Week Two	Tuesday 7th to Thursday 9th April Football Fun Days

Cost

£20 per day

£75 for full 4 day multi sports course

£55 for all 3 football fun days

£125 for all 7 days

Sibling discount is available - please contact Steve for more details.

What you will need:

- Appropriate clothing and footwear
- Packed lunch
- Plenty of non-fizzy drink

About the Sports School

The courses will be based on enjoyment, encouraging physical and mental health and well-being. Up-to-date guidelines will be followed to ensure a safe working environment.

Courses will include warm ups, fun games, skill challenges, individual and team activities, tournaments, Easter themed events and a certificate presentation on the final day.

Sports covered at the multi sports course will include football, hockey, dodgeball, basketball, tennis, cricket and lots more!

How to book & payment

Email or message Steve on steveorrissfc@yahoo.co.uk or 07759 440366 stating:

- Your name
- Child's name and age
- Chosen day(s)
- Contact phone number and emergency contact
- Child's medical conditions

On receipt of this information bank details will be sent to you to pay by bank transfer to complete the booking.

All places must be booked in advance, there will be no on the day places available. Places are limited and are on a first come first served basis.

Keeping your child safe

Steve Orriss FC recognises and accepts its responsibility as provider of the services and will provide a safe and healthy work place for staff and children.

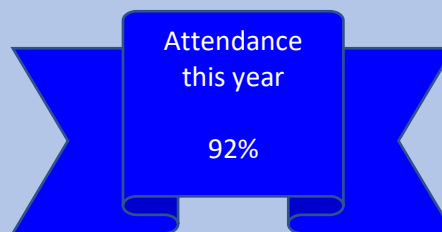
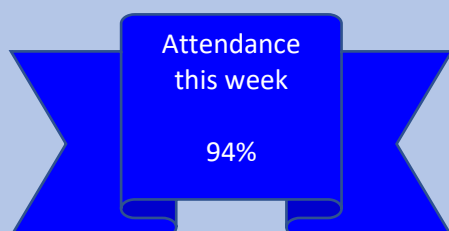
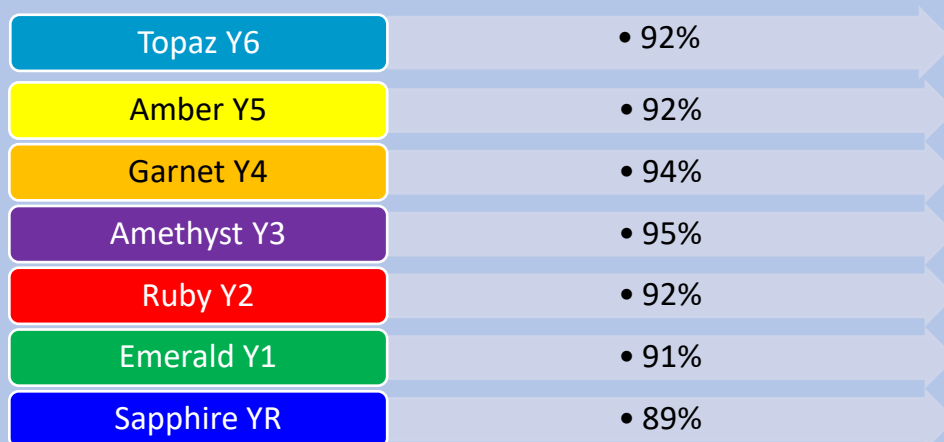
A detailed risk assessment is available upon request.

By booking a place you understand and accept that whilst all reasonable care will be taken neither Steve Orriss or any other person authorised by him will be held responsible for any illness, injury, loss or damage to any items.

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.



The Open
University

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED FOR ONLINE RESEARCH SURVEY

A 10-15 minute anonymous online survey exploring **the factors influencing parents' decisions about when to allow their child their first smartphone.**

Parents or guardians (18+), of children who currently **do not have** a smartphone and are aged 4-16, are eligible.

To take part, use the QR code or web link below:



[Click here to take part in the survey.](#)



This study is part of an MSc Psychology (Conversion). It has received D811 ethical approval. All necessary permissions have been obtained.



DISCOVER SCIENCE DAY

Saturday 28 March 2026

Join us for a day of science exploration and discovery at Royal Holloway, University of London

royalholloway.ac.uk/sciencefestival



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