

# SPRING TERM 2



Part of the Green Hills First federation

## HEAD'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to a new half term. We have had so many things happening this half term including some lovely class trips, with more to look forward to. This half term our children in Class 1 enjoyed a visit to Cannon Hall, where they learnt all about life in the past. As history lead it was great to see how inspiring a visit like this was for our younger pupils. Real life experiences really make the past come to life. Class 3 also enjoyed a visit to Jorvik Viking Centre, where they took part in some real excavation activities at The Dig. What great experiences for both groups to inspire and enhance their learning back in school. Class 2 will visit Murton Park to support their learning about The Stone Age. Thank you to our PTA and your fundraising which helped to fund part of these visits.

We have also had some sporting activities take place this half term and I've heard how well our children have represented both our school and our Federation. I'm very proud of all those who took part and the wonderful example you set.

I am very much looking forward to our World Book Day celebrations next week and the lovely activities planned by our Reading Ambassadors to celebrate stories. We will also hold a bookmark design competition in conjunction with Read Bookshop.

Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs. Wagstaff



## >>> SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

Our next school fundraising event will be our Beetle Drive and Bingo on Wednesday night in school. We hope to see as many of you there as possible. It's a really lovely opportunity for you to get involved in an event with your child and meet and socialise with other families in school. Eyes down, look in! This will be quickly followed by our book stall on Thursday for World Book Day, many thanks as always for your support with our events.

## >>> CURRENT VACANCIES

We currently have two vacancies for support staff at Thurstonland. Do you, or does someone you know, want to work in school? If so please visit Holmfirth Jobs or Kirklees Jobs for more information about the two posts we have available and to download an application form.

We would love you to join our team!

### LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR

**£2721 – £2783**

**5 HOURS 25 MINUTES PER WEEK  
TERM TIME ONLY**

**HOURS: 1 HOUR 5 MINUTES A DAY  
(12:10 – 1:15PM)**

**START DATE:  
MONDAY 8TH APRIL 2024**

### ACTIVITY SUPPORT OFFICER FOR BREAKFAST CLUB

**£1883 – £1962**

**3 HOURS 37 MINUTES PER WEEK  
TERM TIME ONLY**

**(8AM – 9:15AM)**

**START DATE:  
MONDAY 8TH APRIL 2024**



## Friday 15th March

Our School Council children are organising a bake sale in the den for Comic Relief. Please look out for further information.



Voting for Tesco Stronger Starts will commence from the middle of January and run through until the end of March. This is a store based voting system for Thurstonland First School to potentially receive funds for our playground and outdoor space projects. The funding will be between £500 and £1500 based on where we place in the voting. You can cast your vote after making a purchase at the following Tesco stores:

Brighouse Bradford Rd HD6 1RZ

Dalton Huddersfld Exp HD5 9SF

5654 Huddersfield Wake Exp HD5 8DE

5943 Scissett Exp HD8 9HU

6090 Leeds Rd Hudds Exp HD2 1UU



# UNIFORM <<

You may remember we shared with you before Summer the uniform guidance. This can also be found on our school website. We would like to draw your attention to the section around PE kit. For health and safety and so that we can promote high expectations and pupils being their BEST in all aspects of their learning, we feel it is important for children to wear a consistent and safe PE kit when in school. Historically pupils have worn their own clothes for PE, however all new PE kit purchased should be as follows:

- a white or polo plain t-shirt
- green shorts for warmer weather and indoor PE
- plain (no logos) dark blue or black jogging bottoms or leggings
- Sweatshirt (preferably without a hood for health and safety) for colder weather

There is no expectation for new purchases to be made at this time. However, if you do have these items at home or are buying the next size of kit, please follow the above guidelines. This will be followed up in September when we would expect all children to follow these guidelines.

## Thurstonland First School Uniform Guide for Parents September 2023

### General Appearance

No make-up, nail varnish or visible temporary tattoos. Stud earrings only which must be removed for PE. Long hair tied back and manageable hair accessories.

### Uniform

Jade green sweatshirt or cardigan, white or jade green polo t-shirt (with or without logo), grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress, green checked summer dress or shorts.

Uniform with a logo can be purchased from Term Time Wear in Huddersfield.



### Swimming

Boys should wear fitted trunks and girls should wear a one-piece costume. All children should have a swimming cap. Goggles are optional.

### Footwear

Black sensible, low heeled shoes and structured boots. No trainers except for physical activity. No open toed summer sandals or flip-flops.

### PE Kits

White T shirt or polo shirt and green shorts for warmer weather and indoor PE. Plain, with no logos, dark blue or black jogging bottoms or leggings and a sweatshirt/hoody for colder weather.

**Footwear:** Trainers.

### Provided by School

The PTA will provide your first School Bookbag when you start school and also a water bottle that will be kept in school.

### Personal Items

Mobile phones, watches with alarms and inbuilt games should be left at home.

Watches are permitted if they do not disrupt learning.

### Cost of Living Support

Where parents need support with the cost of living and school uniform please speak to the school office who can help with the cost of uniform and provide links for second hand uniform.

## >>> CANNON HALL DAY TRIP

In January, Class 1 spent the day at Cannon Hall House as part of our learning about Houses and Homes. In History, children had been looking at how different homes were in Victorian times compared to those they live in themselves, today. We had a fantastic day spent 'downstairs', working as the staff would have done all those years ago. The children thoroughly enjoyed all the experiences on offer, especially baking the bread which smelled divine! As always, our children were a credit to Thurstonland School with their excellent listening skills, thoughtful questions and lovely manners. A big thank you to all the parents who accompanied us and ensured their children had costumes for the trip so they could really get into role.



## >>> SPORT AT THURSTONLAND

### Sporting Photos

We would like to update our PE & Sports display boards around school and would love to include photos of our pupils taking part in activities outside the school day. Does your child do a sport? If so, we would love to display your child's photo. Please email them to the school office.



## >>> GIRLS FOOTBALL

Our KS2 girls took part in the football competition. The staff were really impressed with the way they supported each other and how friendly they were towards the other children from other schools. Well done girls you were great ambassadors for our school and federation.

## YOUNG VOICES <<



After much rehearsal time in school as part of Class 3's music lessons, our children in Years 4 and 5 took part in the annual Young Voices Choir Concert at Sheffield Arena. It was a wonderful performance and one which was enjoyed by all the children who took part. Thank you to Mrs. McFarlane and team who made it possible.



## >>> PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT

Our children have been enjoying using our newly resurfaced playground space. It has really uplifted the front of school and made it a much safer space to use. Here are some of our Class 1 children making the most of the better weather outdoors. Thanks to AC Groundworks for a very professional job in our outdoor space. We look forward to more sunshine and dry weather so we can get outside more often.

# Supporting Mental Health and Wellbeing

## SHELLEY JUNIORS PARKRUN



Every Sunday  
9am at Shelley College  
4-14 year olds

REGISTER FREE ONLINE: [www.parkrun.org.uk/register/form](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/form)  
Volunteer: [shelleyjuniors@parkrun.com](mailto:shelleyjuniors@parkrun.com)

Follow on Twitter: @shelleyjuniors

**Subject:** Edgerton Dental Clinic: NHS Spaces Available for Children Aged 0-11

*Edgerton Dental Clinic  
80 New North Road  
Huddersfield  
HD1 5NE*

## **Dear Parents/Guardians,**

**Edgerton Dental Clinic is currently accepting children aged 0-11 through the NHS**

We understand the growing concerns about finding an NHS dentist for your children, and regular dental check-ups are crucial for your child's overall well-being, so we're here to ensure they receive the best care possible.

If your child is not currently registered with an NHS dentist, we encourage you to contact our practice for assistance in scheduling an appointment. Spaces for children will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given to children aged 0-11 years old ensuring their dental needs are promptly addressed.

**Call our reception team on 01484 530343 to BOOK NOW.**



Thank you for entrusting Edgerton Dental Clinic with your family's oral health needs. We look forward to welcoming you and providing exceptional dental care for your family.

Kind regards,

Edgerton Dental Clinic



# SCISSETT KIDS CLUB



To book please see our website  
[www.scissettkidsclub.org.uk](http://www.scissettkidsclub.org.uk) or see  
our Facebook page for the link to  
our booking form.



Holiday Club



Hot lunch,  
drinks  
and  
snacks are  
provided



Monday 25th to Thursday 28th

March 2024

7.30am to 6pm - £29.50

half days available - £18.50

7.30am to 1pm

or

1pm to 6pm

Sibling discount available

email [scissettkidsclub@gmail.com](mailto:scissettkidsclub@gmail.com)



# SCISSETT KIDS CLUB



HAF FUNDED  
HOLIDAY CLUB

## WHEN

MONDAY 25TH MARCH TO  
THURSDAY 28TH MARCH 2024  
9AM TO 1PM  
WE HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF  
PLACES THAT CAN BE EXTENDED TO  
4PM

## WHERE

SCISSETT KIDS CLUB  
SCISSETT CE ACADEMY  
WAKEFIELD ROAD SCISSETT  
HUDDERSFIELD HD89HR

## WHAT'S ON OFFER:-

A HOT HEALTHY LUNCH  
ARTS AND CRAFTS  
OUTDOOR GAMES  
BUSHCRAFT GARDENING  
AND LOTS MORE!

TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE EMAIL  
[JULIE@SCISSETTKIDSCLUB.ORG.UK](mailto:JULIE@SCISSETTKIDSCLUB.ORG.UK)  
TO COMPLETE A BOOKING FORM  
CONFIRMING YOU ARE IN RECEIPT  
OF BENEFITS RELATED FREE  
SCHOOL MEALS  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
PLEASE EMAIL OR RING  
07791064565



Department  
for Education

Kirklees  
COUNCIL



# Spring 2 Diary Dates

<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
<b>Monday 19th</b>	All day	Inset day
<b>Tuesday 20th</b>	4:00 – 5:00 pm	KS2 Football @ Score, Waterloo
<b>Thursday 22nd</b>	3:30 – 4:30pm	KS2 Netball Club continues from Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb to 21 <sup>st</sup> March
<b>Monday 26th</b>	3:30 – 4:30pm	After School Choir Club continues every Monday from 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb to 18 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>Monday 26th</b>	8:00 am -3:45 pm	Class 3 Federation Trip to Jorvik and 'The Dig' in York.
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Y3 Football @ Score, Waterloo
<b>MARCH</b>		
<b>Friday 1st</b>	1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	Tennis Taster session for Class 1 (Reception & Y1) will be delivered by Georgina Jackson from Thongsbridge Tennis Club
<b>Wednesday 6th</b>	6:00 pm	PTA Beetle & Bingo – more details to follow
<b>Friday 8th</b>	All day	Dressing up for World Book Day – more details to follow
<b>Monday 11th</b>	9:30 am – 11:00 am	Easter Journey at <del>Almondbury</del> Methodist Church for Year 5 pupils – more details to follow
<b>Tuesday 12th</b>	1:30 – 2:45 pm	BIBLE Learning Experience for Y4 or Y5 pupils (to be confirmed which year group) – more details to follow
<b>Tuesday 12th</b>	Times to be confirmed	Class 2 (Year 2/3) trip to Murton Park with pupils from Farnley Tyas – more details to follow
<b>Tuesday 12th</b>	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Year 4 and Year 5 Football @ Score, Waterloo – more details to follow
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	All day	Red Nose Day – children will be able to wear something red for the day and there will be a bun sale - more details to follow
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> &amp; Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	Times to be confirmed	Proposed dates for Parents Evenings – more information to follow when dates will be confirmed and time slots offered
<b>Tuesday 19th</b>	4:00 – 5:15 pm	KS2 Hockey Festival at <del>Kirkburton</del> Middle School – more information to follow
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	All day	Break the Rules Day – more information to follow
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	3:30 pm	School Closes for Easter Break