

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this half term, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. We are proud to have such a warm and supportive community here at Thorpe.

We apologise for the congestion in the car park at drop-off and pick-up times. The Keys Trust site team is aware of the issue and is currently looking into ways to improve the situation, with the aim of resolving it as soon as possible. In the meantime, we kindly ask that all drivers take extra care, follow the guidance in place (for example not parking on hatchings or anywhere that blocks access), and show courtesy to others to help keep everyone safe.

A quick reminder that school will be closed tomorrow (Friday 22nd May). The following week is our half-term break, running from Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 1st June.

Attendance

Please see below the class-by-class attendance break down for the week 11.05.26 to 15.05.26 (last week). Well done to 6 Blackman for the best attendance that week – you topped the list, only just!

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks (%)
R Donaldson	90.5%
R Carle	95.4%
1 Murphy	93.0%
1 Grey	94.7%
Nursery	80.7%
2 Rosen	91.7%
2 Blake	98.0%
3 Cowell	86.8%
3 Rowling	97.9%
4 Morpurgo	90.4%
4 Lewis	96.0%
5 Walliams	91.7%
5 Dahl	96.8%
5 Strong	99.6%
6 Ibbotson	99.0%
6 Blackman	99.7%

Attendance Awards

Our winners of our half termly attendance awards, winning 30 minutes of sporting activities with Mr McDonough, are: R Carle - Minahil Zeeshan, 1 Grey - Ethan Addotey, 2 Rosen - Esa Haidarzada, 3 Rowling - Izaan Nawaz, 4 Lewis - Esa Thomson, 5 Strong - Mohamed Abubakar Nawaz and 6 Ibbotson - Serine Abdelli. Well done everyone.

Learning Spotlight

Year 1 had a fantastic trip to Woburn Safari Park on Thursday 7th May. They enjoyed a coach safari, where they saw bears, lions, and elephants up close. During the visit, they also took part in a classroom session to learn about different habitats and had the exciting opportunity to touch a snake's skin. On the foot safari, the children explored further and saw monkeys, parrots, and sea lions. It was a wonderful day full of learning and memorable experiences for everyone.



Reception had a wonderful trip to Hamerton Zoo. All of the adults who accompanied the children were incredibly proud of their impeccable behaviour throughout the day, which was even commented on by members of the public. The children enjoyed seeing a wide variety of animals, exploring the meerkat tunnels, stepping inside the aviary, and even taking a train ride to see the dinosaurs. They also loved having their lunch outdoors and spending time playing in the park.



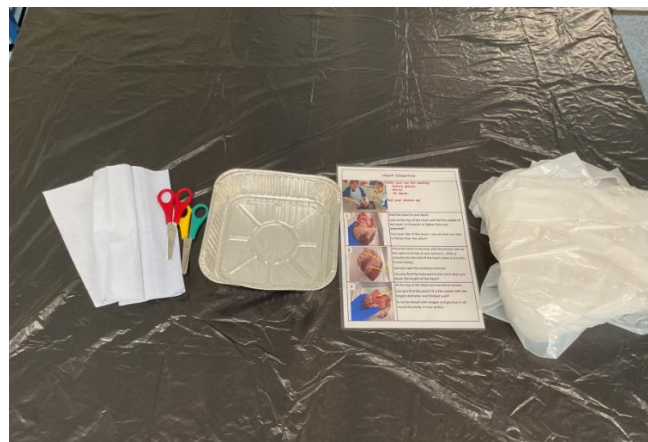
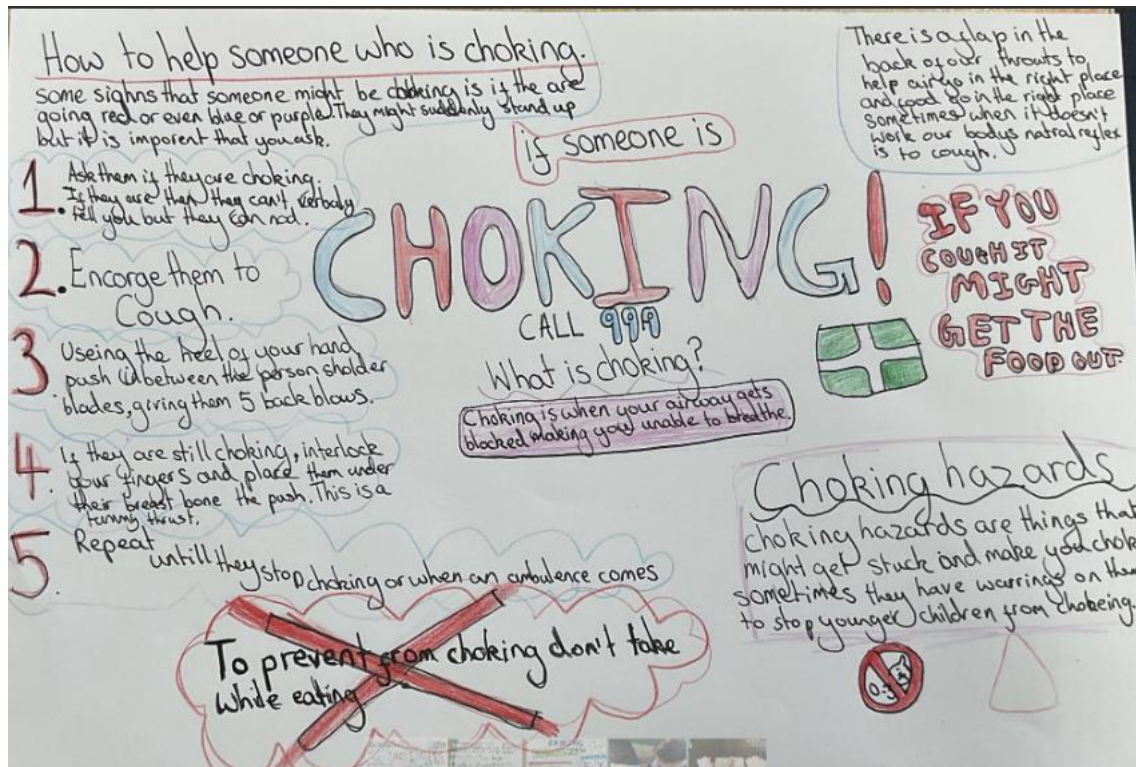


Year 5 had an exciting and informative visit from the ambulance service, giving them a valuable insight into the important work of paramedics. During the visit, the children learned about how emergency services respond to incidents and the different types of equipment found inside an ambulance. They were able to explore the ambulance up close and discover how paramedics assess and care for patients in a variety of situations. The children also learned basic first aid skills, including how to check if someone is breathing and what to do in an emergency.



During First Aid Awareness week, Year 6 have learnt all about what choking is and how they can help people who are choking. They created posters with lots of helpful reminders. This week, Year 6 have dissected a lamb's heart. They were able to feel the heart in their hands and identify the different parts of the heart that they have learnt about in previous lessons. The Year 6 teachers

were really impressed with confidence, curiosity and working scientifically skills that the Year 6 children demonstrated.



Reminders

Key Dates Coming Up:

Date	Event
Thursday 21 st May	Final day of school before half term.
Friday 22 nd May	School closed for a training day.
Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May	Half Term – school closed.
Monday 1 st June	Children return to school.
Monday 1 st June – Friday 12 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks.
Thursday 4 th June	2.50pm: Year 6 class assembly.
Monday 8 th June – Friday 12 th June	Year 1 and 2 Phonics Screening Checks.
Wednesday 10 th June	Class photos are taken.
Monday 15 th June – Friday 19 th June	‘Eat Like A Footballer’ week (World Cup week).
Monday 15 th June	5pm: New (September 2026 start) reception parents induction evening.
Wednesday 17 th June	3 C swimming session begin.
Thursday 18 th June	2.50pm: Year 5 Strong & Dahl class assembly.
Friday 19 th June	Non-uniform day: Dress in the clothes that represent the country you are supporting in the World Cup.
Tuesday 23 rd June	09.20 – 12.15: Years 4, 5 and 6 Sports Day.
Wednesday 24 th June – Friday 26 th June	Year 6 residential trip to Boughton Woods.
Thursday 25 th June	09.20– 12.15: Years 1, 2 and 3 Sports Day. 13.30 – 15.00: Nursery & Reception Sports Day.
Thursday 25 th June	2.50pm: Year 4 class assembly.
Monday 29 th June – Tuesday 30 th June	Year 5 Fenland Adventure camping experience.
Wednesday 1 st July	Year 6 transition day to Jack Hunt. Meet your new class teacher day (Move up day). Reception ‘stay and plays’.
Wednesday 8 th July	End of year reports to be sent home.
Thursday 9 th July	2.50pm: Reception class assembly.
Thursday 9 th July	Parents’ Open Evening.
Tuesday 14 th July	School disco <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: 17.00 – 17.45 • Year 3 - 6: 18.00 – 18.45 • Year 6 stay for pizza: 18.45 – 19.15
Wednesday 15 th July	14.00: Year 6 End of Year Parent Showcase.
Friday 17 th July	School finishes at 13.00 for all children in nursery – Year 5 (Year 6 finish at 13.15).

Friday 17th July

13.15: Year 6 Parent & Teacher 'Clap Out'.

Class Assemblies Summer Term

Please see the timetable below for the Summer Term. They start at 2.50pm and finish at 3.10pm on the designated day (always a Thursday). If you can make it, please come along.

Date	Classes
Thursday 4 th June	Year 6
Thursday 18 th June	5 Dahl & 5 Strong
Thursday 25 th June	Year 4
Thursday 9 th July	Reception

Parent Shout Outs

If your child's teacher or another member of staff has gone above and beyond, I would love to hear from you. Please click here: <https://forms.office.com/e/6r5w1yxP8F>

Have a wonderful weekend and see you on Monday 1st June.

Mr J Parkhouse
Headteacher