



**Thurlaston CE (Aided) Primary School**  
Teaching and Living the Christian Way of Life  
Building Our Lives on Jesus

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Dear Parent/Carer,

“Treasure Island” was performed to the whole school by M&M theatrical productions this morning. This was funded by the sponsored read money from world book week and some generous donations. We hope it has inspired the children.

Reminder- School is closed on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May for the Bank Holiday: have a great weekend. We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

School is unable to authorise holidays in term times. There are exceptional circumstances in which school can authorise holidays. Please can you complete a form for all absences that you know in advance (except medical appointments) even if you know it will not be authorised. This enables us to keep accurate records which is part of keeping your children safe.

We will be taking the whole of KS2 to the small schools athletics competition on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 at Saffron Lane Stadium. We have booked a coach to take us there and bring us back. There will be no cost to you as we are able to use some of our Sports Premium Grant to fund the coach. Children will need to arrive at school by 8:30am on this day and bring a packed lunch. Further details nearer the time.

Unfortunately, this last year we were unable to secure a suitable slot for swimming. Because of this, we need to take children who will be in years 3, 4 and 5 next year. We are in the process of securing a slot for next year. Please be aware that we will be asking for contributions to cover the cost as we always have. However, taking an extra year group means we are spreading the total cost over more children so it should be a bit cheaper. Swimming is a compulsory part of the National Curriculum and so we have to take the children swimming during their time with us.

#### PTFA News

The PTFA will be holding a sponsored walk on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May this year. This is an important fundraising event for them. Sponsor Forms have been sent home today. Please try to secure as many sponsors as you can. If each child managed to raise only £20 that would raise £1560 equivalent to about 4 new ipads.

PTFA will be doing a clothing collection on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May to raise funds. If you have any items to donate, please drop them off at school any time before the morning of the 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for helping us to raise funds for the school. For more details, please check out the poster we shared on Class Dojo!

Unfortunately, the PTFA have decided to cancel the summer fayre. They have taken this difficult decision because they needed more help to run it well and think the time spent on it can be used more efficiently on other things.

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. (Matthew chapter 7 verse 24, NIV)

Yours sincerely



Gavin Beetham

Provisional Dates for your Diary

01-05-26 Treasure Island	15-06-26 – New Parents Meet	30-06-26 – Leavers Assembly
04-05-26 – Bank Holiday	19 and 22-06-26 – New	and Tea
11 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> May – KS2 SATs	Reception children induction	07-07-26 – End of year service
15-05-26 PTFA Sponsored Walk	23-06-26 – KS2 Production	2pm in the church.
22-05-26 – KS2 Athletics	24-06-26 – KS2 Production	Summer Holiday – 8 <sup>th</sup> July to
Half Term – 23 <sup>rd</sup> to 31 <sup>st</sup> May	26-06-26 – Sports Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2026
17-06-26 – KS2 Trips	29-06-26 – KS1 Trips	