



**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,

We were blessed with good weather for the KS2 trip to Swadlincote on Wednesday. This was despite the forecast on the morning stating it would rain all day. The children were very well behaved and I trust they enjoyed themselves.

The Sports Ambassadors performed really well when they lead Little Gems Sports Day on Thursday. The young children had really impressive balance and we look forward to many of them joining us next year. The Ambassadors explained their activities well and kept the children on task and enjoying it. Well done to the Ambassadors.

Another big win for the Sports Ambassadors is that they have gained a Gold Award in the School Games Mark for all their work promoting sport. You may not realise but each week they have been running a club for the younger children on Thursday break times. They have arranged all the activities for this and kept the children safe and excited. They have also helped promote physical exercise and sport in school and have done a sterling job. Well done, Elliott, Connie and Jasmine!

This week saw the last of the Multi Sports Club on Tuesdays for this academic year.

The last of the Dance Clubs is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

I have heard amazing singing in my office from the hall as the children put in their final practices before the public performances of Cinderella Rockerfella. I am sure you will be delighted by it. The tickets you have ordered have been sent out today. The evening performances are adults only. If you attend the afternoon performance with younger children, please take them out if they become unsettled and return when you have settled them.

Next week we also have our Sports Day on the school field. Parents and grandparents are invited to come along. We aim to start as soon as possible after 1pm. The field will be open for you to get seated on the roadside of the field from about 12:30. Please bring your own seats and or picnic mats. The children will be on the shaded side of the field. After the event, the school will open for you to wander around and chats with the teachers until about 4pm.

Please note Gold Award Assemblies have been moved around due to other things happening over the coming weeks. Gold Award Assembly will happen as usual on 22<sup>nd</sup> June: The next will be the 1<sup>st</sup> July and the final one on 6<sup>th</sup> July.

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)

Mr Eardley has taken the big decision to train to be a teacher. I am sure many of you will recognise that this is clearly something that he will be excellent at. He will be leaving school at the end of this term. We want to thank him for all his work in school and his many skills that he has used for the benefit of the children. He will be a great loss to the school but a great gain to the wider education sector. We are convinced he will be amazing.

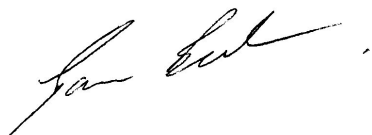
I am pleased to inform you that the tendering processes for school meals has been completed and a new supplier has been appointed. This is because Leicestershire School Food Services will cease to trade at the end of the term. The new supplier is Aspens Catering. They will use an online system to order and pay for meals. All parents will need to register and choose meals and those that need to pay will be requested payment. Children who pay for meals will not be able to have a meal unless payment is made in advance. Full details will be posted on Clasdojo once the system has been set up. Please look out for it and ensure you follow the instructions.

Because of the change in School Meal Supplier all dinner money accounts will be closed. All paid meals taken or due to be taken must be paid before the end of term. Any credit balance will be returned at the end of term. Please help Mrs Norman by ensuring you are up to date with payments and make payment for meals until the end of term on Monday next week.

The government are extending the entitlement of a free school meals to anyone claiming Universal Credit for the autumn term. There will, however, be two levels of entitlement: one will provide free meals only and the other will be those on the current system and/or entitled under the current system for whom a pupil premium payment will be made as well. We will post full details of how to register with the LA for free school meals when details are available. Again, this will be posted on Clasdojo.

I trust the children enjoyed visiting their new classes today. The new reception children settled really well and we are looking forward to them coming for another session on Monday.

Yours sincerely



Gavin Beetham

#### Provisional Dates for your Diary

22-06-26 – New Reception  
children induction

23-06-26 – KS2 Production  
(Eve)

24-06-26 – KS2 Production (PM  
and Eve)

26-06-26 – Sports Day 1pm

29-06-26 – KS1 Trip

30-06-26 – Leavers Assembly  
and Tea 9ish

07-07-26 – End of year service  
2pm in the church.

Summer Holiday – 8<sup>th</sup> July to  
23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026 inclusive