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WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

Dear Thakeham families,

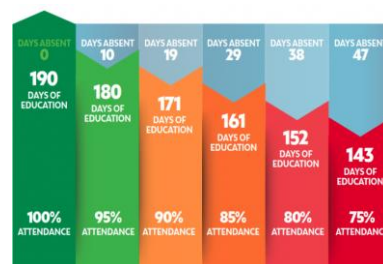
It has been lovely to spend time in school over the past week, getting to know as many of the children as possible.

I have especially enjoyed seeing the Maths learning in action. The children have access to a wide range of practical resources, which help bring their learning to life and support active engagement. It has been wonderful to see how some children are already achieving well with their times tables, showing steady progress and growing confidence in this important area of Maths.

We have also been pleased to see some children earning rainbow certificates for their multiplication knowledge. These moments of recognition matter, and the children who have received them should feel very proud of themselves. It is always encouraging to celebrate effort, progress and achievement, and we are delighted to see the children responding so positively.

Attendance

Attendance remains an important part of school life, as being in school regularly helps children take part fully in their learning, routines and daily experiences with their classmates and teachers. It supports consistency and gives children the best chance to continue building on what they know and can do. Thank you for continuing to work with us in supporting good attendance. When home and school work together, it helps create the steady, settled routines that children need to thrive.



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Pupil leadership

This week in school we have shared the pupil leadership roles on offer for the academic year ahead. These roles are an important part of school life, as it gives children the chance to take on responsibility, contribute to the life of the school and help others around them. These opportunities support confidence, independence and a sense of belonging, while also showing children that their voices and actions can make a positive difference as well as contributing to the school community in meaningful ways.

This week your child (in Years 3-6) may choose to bring home an application letter for one of the following roles:

Year 6 Prefect, Digital Leader, Bookworm, Sports and Wellbeing Leader or Thakeham Reporter.

Please support them with completing their forms, which are to be handed back to class teachers by Monday 21st September 2026.

Wraparound Care at Thakeham

We are incredibly lucky to have this offer at Thakeham, so why not give it a try?



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Date	Event
24.09.26	Wonder Class walk to Sandgate Park
25.09.26	Year 4 trip to Worthing Symphonic Orchestra
01.10.26	Individual School Photographs.
05.10.26	Hedgehog visit - Beatles class.
08.10.26	Whole School Flu Vaccinations.
12-16.10.26	Year 5/6 Bikeability Week.
13.10.26	New Reception Parent Tour 2-3pm.
19.10.26	New Reception Parent Tour 11am-12pm.
22.10.26	Franklin Class trip to South Downs Planetarium, Chichester (info to follow)
26-30.10.26	October half term - school closed.
02.11.26	INSET DAY - school closed.
03.11.26	School open. Children return. New Reception Parent Tour 2-3pm. Parents' Evening.
05.11.26	Parents' Evening.
10.11.26	New Reception Parent Tour 2-3pm.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Houston
 Executive Headteacher

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