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Wednesday 11th November 2026

Wednesday Weekly

Dear Thakeham families,

Thakeham's CARE school vales were evident last week in school with a capital E for enjoyment!

The children took part in a wide range of enriching learning activities, all carefully planned by the teachers and staff at Thakeham to make sure learning that learning was engaging and inspiring.

Wonder class took part in a toy making workshop, with each child designing and making their own moving toy. Marley class worked alongside an artist to create their own clay sculptures and Year 6s in Franklin class began their Community Award with a visit from the Storrington Wardens and getting out into the local area and serving lunch to senior citizens at the local village hall hosted by the Rotary Club.





Sporting News

Some Year 5/6 children took part in the locality basketball tournament with energy and enthusiasm last week. It was a brilliant opportunity to play against local schools, and for the team to develop their skills and strategy. Well done to the children for demonstrating our school values of Ambition and Resilience.





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Eco Club

Eco club have got off to great start with Miss West and have been weeding, clearing, weeding and preparing the flowerbeds by planting new bulbs ready for the Spring. In the coming weeks, Eco club will be making bird feeders to help support our feathered friends during the colder, winter months.



Christmas Competition

Henry Adams, a local estate agent in Storrington visited our assembly yesterday to launch their outdoor Christmas tree decoration competition.

Children from Thakeham are warmly invited to participate, with some fantastic prizes up for grabs. Please see details on the poster for further information which has also be emailed to you.

REMINDER: Children in Need - Friday 13th November 2026

We are celebrating this event by inviting all the children to come to school dressed in their own clothes, ideally something spotty! If it is a PE day, the children will need to wear suitable clothing to participate in their usual active lesson, uniform does not need to be worn.

If you would like to donate in return for wearing your spots to school, then please access the required information here: https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/donate/

Break the Silence – Tuesday 17th November 2026

This year, Anti-Bullying Week takes place from 16th-20th November 2026. The theme of the message this year is, 'Break the Silence' and during this week we will share the resources with the children to help them think critically about bullying online and offline. To help raise awareness of this important theme in school the children are invited to wear odd socks to school on **Tuesday 17th November** in recognition that we are all unique and all different.



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Key Dates

Date	Event
Thurs 12.11.26	Parents' Evening (for Beatles, Wonder, Marley and Franklin classes)
Fri 13.11.26	Children in Need. Wear something spotty!
Tues 17.11.26	Odd Socks Day
Tues 24.11.26	FoTS Christmas Discos EYFS/KS1 – 3:15-4:30pm (Beatles/Wonder) KS2 – 4:45-6:00pm (Marley/Franklin)
Fri 27.11.26	Mufti Day in exchange for sweets (Beatles/Wonder classes) or a bottle (Marley/Franklin classes) for FoTS Christmas Fayre tombolas – see attached poster

We can now also share our upcoming Christmas activities so please see dates below as well as the attached accompanying Christmas Events letter and FoTS posters for further information.

Christmas Dates

Thurs 03.12.26	Christmas Church Service – St Mary's Church, Thakeham (pupils only) 1:30-3pm
Sun 06.12.26	FoTS Christmas Fair 1-3pm
Fri 11.12.26	Beatles class Nativity – 9:15-9:45am
Tues 15.12.26	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day (please order meal via the FEED app when available to do so)
Weds 16.12.26	Whole School Nativity – 09:30-10:45am
Thurs 17.12.26	Whole School Nativity – 2:00-3:15pm
Fri 18.12.26	Last day of term
Mon 04.01.27	First day of Spring term

Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Warm regards,

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