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Wednesday Weekly

Dear Thakeham families,

We have had lots of fun and enjoyment at Thakeham this week, with our Year 5 and 6 pupils learning the skills of riding their bikes safely on the playground and for Year 6 pupils, on the roads. We have been very impressed with their careful listening skills, quick recall of the bike safety signals and the respect that they showed the Bikeability team who came to work with them.



Pupil Leadership

We were overwhelmed with children wanting to take on whole school responsibilities this year and our Year 6 prefects will begin duties this week, when they tour our prospective parents for 2027!

Our Thakeham Reporters have also begun to think about the school year ahead and ideas that they have to make Thakeham Primary School even better than it already is! Please let me introduce you to our 2026-2027 reporters....

Hi my name is Amariaah. I was picked to be a Thakeham Reporter because I think that I am a good writer and I am also in Year 6. I can say lots about the school and what we do. I also have lots of recommendations and events for the future. I am also a good role model for the school. My favourite subjects are Art, Music and break! I am super excited and happy that I am a Thakeham Reporter.

Hello, my name is Herbie, I'm a Year 6 and I chose to apply for Thakeham Reporter because I feel I'm a strong writer and feel it would be nice to see school life from a student's perspective. I think I could say a lot about the school and have lots of ideas for future events that could occur around the school. I'm strong in most subjects and am a good role model. I think the quiet area is an amazing addition to the school. I feel we just need to utilise in properly.

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Hello my name is Sevren. I chose to be Thakeham Reporter because I like having big responsibilities and like to know what's happening around the school. I like telling people news around the school. I'm good at working with people and I know what happens in school throughout the year. I really appreciate being picked as a Thakeham Reporter.

Hi, I'm Mary. I am a Year 6. I have applied to be a Thakeham Reporter because I like to write, and also some of my friends got this job so I'm excited about writing with them. I'm also excited about writing about summer productions at our school.

Hi, my name is Gabrielle. I am a Year 6. I wanted to be a Thakeham Reporter because I was one last year and it was really fun and I love writing and reading. I also know quite a lot about what happens and has happened in this school.

Hi, I'm Talia from Year 5 and I have chosen to apply to be a Thakeham Reporter because we and the school have lots of celebrations and events we do at Thakeham. I have loads of ideas of what we could do in the future. Another reason why I love to write is because our school is lovely to write about. Being a pupil of Thakeham has really helped me learn.

Parents' Evenings

These will take place on Tuesday 3rd November and Thursday 12th November 2026. Please do book an appointment when the information is shared via MCAS, so that we can share how your child is settling into their new school year and how you can support their learning for the academic year ahead.

Harvest Blessings

Thank you for your incredibly kind donations to the Wholesome Warehouse as part of this year's Harvest festival. Rev. Joel Willmer led our special service and each class took part sharing poetry, songs and harvest cooking to remind us of the importance of this special celebration.



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FoTS-Exciting news!

The team are now up and running! A huge, heartfelt thank you to our FoTS Chair Vikki, Treasurer Jess and Secretaries Amy and Sian. The FoTS team have many exciting events planned for the year ahead!

The first event will be a Cake Sale afterschool on Monday 19th October.

Please drop off all donations to the New Hall on the morning of Monday 19th. If you are making home-made cakes, please ensure you provide an accompanying ingredients/allergens list and all cakes must be nut-free (home-made or shop bought).

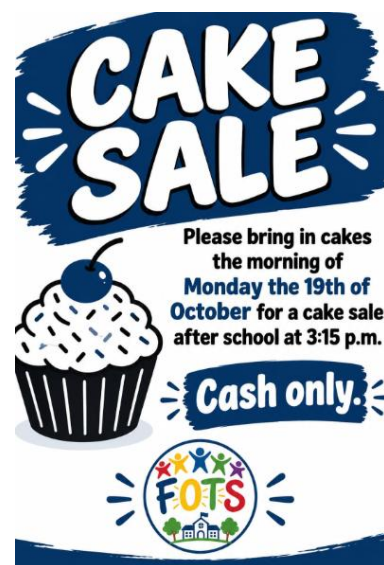
If you can lend a helping hand, this would still be very much appreciated. You can reach the FoTS team via their email: fots@thakehamps.co.uk

JUMPERS/CARDIGANS!

We have several labelled school uniform jumpers/cardigans that have gone missing in school over the past few weeks. Please can you have a good look at home, as it is possible that these have been scooped up by mistake. We really appreciate you taking the time to check and reuniting the items to their rightful owners.

Key Dates

Date	Event
19.10.26	New Reception Parent Tour 11am-12pm FoTS Bake Sale – after school – donations to be dropped off in New Hall in the morning
22.10.26	Franklin Class trip to South Downs Planetarium, Chichester
22.10.26	Emotional Regulation Workshop – 9am in New Hall – all welcome!
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 (for Wonder, Marley and Franklin classes) – info to follow
10.11.26	New Reception Parent Tour 2-3pm
12.11.26	Parents' Evening (for Beatles, Wonder, Marley and Franklin classes) – info to follow



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Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Warm regards,

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