



Summer Term

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newsletter

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Welcome

Dear All,

Welcome back to the summer term, we hope you all had a restful Easter break.

The children have been busy learning new topics, Acorn class visited Pulborough Brooks & have had chicks hatching in their classroom!

FoTS have been busy behind the scenes organising their Thakeham Fun Day event which runs from 1-4pm on Sunday 11th June at the Abingworth Meadows playing fields in Thakeham so please keep the date free! They really need as many volunteers as possible to make it a huge success so please look in the FoTS News section on how you get involved! Letters have also been emailed.

Please remember that the deadline for ordering class photos is Wednesday 3rd May for free delivery to the school: www.tempest-orders.co.uk

Best wishes from the Thakeham Family.

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Who Are We Celebrating This Fortnight?

Positive,
Persevering Perry



Co-operative
Caring Chloe



Headteacher
Award



Reflective,
Reviewing Rowan



Curious,
Questioning Cleo



Ava (Oak)
Eddie (Maple)
Archie (Elder)

Stanley (Oak)
Alhannah (Maple)
Arthur (Elder)
Peter (Elder)

Jonas (Acorn)

Attendance Figures

Thank you for your support in helping our pupils to see the value in each and every day at school. We track attendance because only a little missed can have a huge long-term impact on a child's progress. **Our target is 97%**. Current attendance percentages for the new academic year to date are:

Acorn Class: **98%**

Oak Class: **92%**

Maple Class: **96%**

Elder Class: **96%**

Our School Values

Care – Cooperation – Honesty – Responsibility – Perseverance – Curiosity – Reflection

These are the values that drive our school. They feed into how we learn, how we act with one another, how we teach, how we handle our pastoral elements; so much of what we do! So, it is important we remember them. Our Super Learning Heroes relate directly to these and are how we make our values child friendly. They all come under our new, 'Thakeham Way'.



FoTS News



FoTS are busy organising their Thakeham Fun Day which is being held on Sunday 11th June from 1-4pm on the Abingworth Playing Fields to help raise vital funds for the school, namely towards an outside classroom!! So far this academic year, FoTS have generously paid for the Xmas pantomime, a chick hatching kit for Acorn class, a Coronation memento & computer equipment for Elder class. It can't be done without your support so please come along!

FoTS need as many volunteers as possible in order for this fantastic event to go ahead as planned so please email fots@thakehamps.co.uk or pop along to the school office if you are able to help set up, clear away and/or help on the BBQ or one of the many fun stalls. We have a rota available & we're only asking for an hour of your time!



Email us at: office@thakehamps.co.uk

Call us on: 01903 740176

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Acorn class visit to Pulborough Brooks



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Acorn class were delighted to receive an incubator of eggs at the start of this term. We have learnt about the lifecycle of chicks and how to care for them. We have also written a diary of how they have changed and grown each day.



We named our chicks Agnus, Isla, Spotty, Perseverance, Barbara and Brave. They answered the register each day by cheeping! We have loved watching our little eggs hatch and grow into beautiful and cheeky chicks. A huge thank you to our parents and FOTS fundraising that enabled us to have them.

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Time to Shine!

Please see below for some exciting news from our community. We are so proud of everything our pupils do and want to share!

Over the holidays, Amaya, Beth & James were all chosen to stand on the platform in front of over 550 people and speak individually at a Jehovah Witness assembly auditorium and did amazingly!



Dates for Your Diary

- **1st May** – Bank Holiday
- **3rd May** – Order deadline for free school delivery of class photos
- **8th May**: Extra Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation
- **29th May-2nd June**: May half term
- **5th June**: INSET Day
- **6th June**: return to school
- **11th June**: Thakeham Fun Day hosted by FoTS (1-4pm on the Abingworth Playing Fields)
- **7th July**: Sports Day – KS1 AM, KS2 PM (more details to follow soon)
- **21st July**: last day of term
- **24th July-31st August**: School summer holidays

