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Friday 9th October 2026

We're off to see the Wizard…

As part of our 18th birthday celebrations this week (tomorrow!), we welcomed M&M Productions on Tuesday. They treated us to a fantastic performance of *The Wizard of Oz*, which looked and sounded amazing. The children had a wonderful time and were captivated from start to finish

PTA Points

- Autumn bake sale coming soon! See next week's newsletter for details.
- Elfridges, the surprise Christmas gift shop, is back this year! Keep an eye on your inbox for a letter with everything you need to know about how Elfridges works and how to get involved.

Parent Teacher Meetings

We will be holding Parent Teacher Meetings during next week. If you have not yet booked an appointment, ten-minute slots are still available on Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th for Blue Class (Yrs 5 & 6), and on Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th for all other classes.

Appointments for this event can be booked via the Parents Booking website. You should have received a message containing all the information you need to log in to book an appointment with your child(ren)'s class teacher(s) last Friday. If you have not had this, or if you are having any difficulty booking an appointment, please contact the school office.

These face-to-face meetings will be an opportunity for teachers to meet with parents without their children to discuss your child's progress and to engage with our teaching staff.

Unfortunately, we are unable to offer any supervision of children for this event and would be grateful if you could make alternative childcare arrangements.

Stars of the Week

Rec – Oliver

Year 1 / 2 – Henry & Freddie

Year 3/4 – Ella & Morris

Year 5/6 – George

Monday Menu Change

Please be advised that the 'Week 2' menu for Monday has one alteration. The main option will be Margherita Pizza (not cheese and onion roll).

RED Team Hurrah!

The winners of the latest Team Hurrah were Red Team – well done to them! The children in Red Team may come to school in non-uniform on Thursday 22nd October (last day of this half term).

Thurton Wellbeing Service

Supporting Your Child Through Change

As we move through the seasons, we're reminded that change is a constant part of life. The days become shorter, the leaves change colour, and our routines may shift. While change can be exciting, it can also feel unsettling for children, particularly when things feel unfamiliar or unpredictable.

One helpful way to support your child is to encourage them to look for what is staying the same. When everything feels different, noticing the familiar can help children feel safe, secure and more able to manage change.

For example, when the clocks change and it gets darker earlier, your child might find the evenings feel different. You could say: "I know it feels strange that it's getting dark while we're still having tea, but what's staying the same? We're still having tea together, you can still have your bedtime story, and we'll still have our cuddle before bed."

This gently helps children recognise that although some things change, not everything does.

Quick tip: Try asking - "What's different, and what's staying the same?" This simple question can help your child feel more confident and reassured when facing something new.

Best wishes,

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Birthdays

This week our Birthday wishes go to **Alice** - Happy Birthday to you!

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Week Commencing Monday 12th October 2026

	In School	After School
Mon	• PE • Flu Vaccinations (second session)	• Premier Dance (Yrs 3-6) GRP A • Gardening (Yrs 1/2) GRP A • BLUE Class Parent meetings
Tue	• Lauren Talford Music Lessons • Once Upon a Tune performance	• Premier Dodgeball (Yrs 1/2) ALL • RED, YELLOW, GREEN Class Parent meetings
Wed	• BLUE, RED, YELLOW, GREEN Class Parent meetings	• Aem Hai Karate (Yrs 1–6) ALL • BLUE, RED, YELLOW, GREEN Class Parent meetings
Thu	• Bandwagon Music Lessons • Maths Codebreaking, Hobart (Yr 6)	• Premier Dodgeball (Yrs 3-6) GRP A
Fri	• PE • Forest School (Yr 2) • MP Visit (Y5-6)	• NCSF Football (Yrs 1/2) GRP A • Forest School (Yrs 3/4/5/6) GRP A

Dates for your Diary

PLEASE NOTE: children finish for Half Term on Thursday 22nd October, not Friday 23rd October

Mon 12/10/26	• Blue Class Parent/Teacher Meetings 3:30pm-6:30pm
Tue 13/10/26	• Author Visit: 'Once Upon a Tune' • Red, Yellow, Green Class Parent/Teacher meetings 3:30pm-6:30pm
Thu 15/10/26	• Maths Codebreaking, Hobart high School (Yr6)
Tue 20/10/26	• Harvest Festival: 10am, St Ethelbert's Church • PTA Autumn Bake Sale
Wed 21/10/26	• Individual & Sibling School Photos (9am) • Red, Yellow, Green, Blue Class Parent/Teacher meetings 1:30pm-5:30pm
Thu 22/10/26	• NCMP: Rec/Yr6 (am) • Red Team Hurrah! (Non-uniform) • Last Day of Term
Fri 23/10/26 - Fri 30/10/26	• Half Term