

# Townhill Junior School

## Weekly Update: 11<sup>th</sup> October



Dear Parents and Carers

The week started with our Harvest assembly and ended with our celebration assembly to cap another busy week where the TJS community really came together. Here is a look at the main events of the week:

### Harvest

A huge thank you for your contributions to our Harvest Festival on Monday. We had Jo and Luke from Bitterne Church of Ascension come in to deliver a talk to the



children and thank us for the goods. The items were then delivered to our charity partners at Big Difference by Mrs Austin and Mr Reading and were gratefully received.



### Cross Country & Football

Our Cross Country team completed their 4 races in the Primary Schools' Cross Country Championships at the Sports Centre. Competing against over 300 runners each week they have handled the 1.8km course brilliantly and represented the school superbly. Ahead of the final race on Friday, the boys were comfortably in 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall and the girls were 4<sup>th</sup> place.



Girls Football: Kanes Hill 4 – 3 Townhill (Esme 3)

Boys Football: Thornhill 1 – 1 Townhill (Oliver)

### Parents Evening

A reminder that the online booking system for Parents Evening is now open on Arbor. We look forward to welcoming you into school on:

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October: Y4

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October: All classes except Y4

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October: All classes



## Asda Cashpot for Schools



Thank you to all those families who have downloaded the Asda Cash for Schools App and chosen TJS. Our pot is already over £100 so many thanks for your support.

If you have not registered yet, we would be extremely grateful if you could choose us as your nominated school and each time you buy something from Asda, the school will automatically earn a contribution to our cash pot. Please download the app on your phone and link the school to your account.

<https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

## Chocolate Elf



This Christmas, we will again be a collection point for the Chocolate Elf. Donations of advent calendars and selection boxes can be handed in to the office and will be passed on to Mrs Gregory who is coordinating with the charity to ensure every child in Hampshire has some Christmas magic this year. Our last collection date will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

## Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have one parent governor vacancy and we would love to hear from you if you would be interested in supporting the school in a governor capacity. Meetings are on Monday evenings through the year, with two meetings per half term. If you would like to express your interest please email: [info@townhilljuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:info@townhilljuniorschool.co.uk). If you would like further information, I can put you in touch with Mr Milsom, a parent of a child in Year 5, via email, but if you know him he can often be found at the school gate in the mornings.



## Current Learning

	Subject	What the children will be learning	Ideas to support with the learning at home
Y3	English	Narrative skills	Look at how dialogue is punctuated in your favourite books
	Maths	Subtraction	Count backwards from a given starting number
	Science	Friction	Discuss how different surfaces can slow down or speed up different objects
Y4	English	Non-chronological reports about animals and their habitats	Read a non-chronological report about an animal of your choice
	Maths	Mental strategies for addition	Try to add up given numbers mentally
	Topic	Presentations about mountains	Learn some key mountain facts to include in your presentations
Y5	English	Formal letter writing	When having a conversation, pretend you are king or queen. How does that change what you would say?
	Maths	Multiplication and Division	Extra work on TT Rocks
	Art	Anglo Saxons	Research the gods and goddesses the Anglo Saxons believed in
Y6	English	Diary writing	Read books that are based around well-known diaries
	Maths	Fractions	Revise for mock tests this week
	Topic	Evacuees in World War II	Discuss where evacuees would have been sent to and why



## Home Learning

Thank you for your support with a big increase in home learning this week. A reminder that all of our home learning is online through three main platforms and the expectation is that every child should be logging their reading, and completing challenges on TT Rocks and Spelling Shed every week:

Maths: Times Tables Rockstars  
 Reading: Boom Reader  
 Spelling: Spelling Shed



### Star of the Week

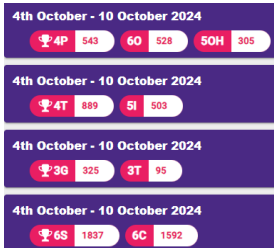
Class	Name
3G	Aoife
3T	Anaya
4T	Cohen
4P	Zara
5I	Phoebe
5OH	Thea
6S	Callum
6C	Denys
6O	Theodore
PE	Poppy
Music	Orla S, Thea R, Anabella O, Coby O, Nella C



### Times Tables Rocks Leaderboard



Rank	First Name	Class	Most correct answers
1	Cody	6S	26111
2	Yuting	6C	22050
3	Forester	6S	16942
4	Jaivon	4T	15431
5	Jesaiah	4T	6463
6	Sienna	6C	6369
7	Arys	6C	4712
8	Alexandra	5I	4182
9	Divino	4T	4125
10	Kian	6O	4038



#### Class Competitions:

Well done to: 4P, 4T, 3G & 6S

This week it will be:

5OH vs 3G vs 3T

4P vs 6O vs 5I

6S vs 6C vs 4T

### Boom Reader



Class	Most Reads
3G	Oscar
3T	Penny
4P	Jaxson
4T	Connor P
5I	Alexandra & Isa
5OH	Matilda
6C	Connor G
6O	X
6S	Eli
<b>Weekly Class Winner</b>	<b>4P</b>

### Spelling Shed



Rank	Pupil	Class	Score	Total Score
1	Charis M	4P	11,476,098	19,706,036
2	Janelle O	3G	4,623,082	10,922,015
3	Raena S	3G	3,743,941	8,902,703
4	Amelia K	5OH	3,402,152	20,783,144
5	Arys S	6C	1,690,270	3,656,218
6	Iliana H	4P	1,551,159	6,023,239
7	Izzy B	3T	1,515,582	1,422,758
8	Zara G	4P	1,294,908	1,294,908
9	Rhema A	3T	1,190,704	1,190,704
10	Maksims M	6S	1,027,460	16,166,294

# Next week at Re:Minds... 14th - 18th October 2024



## ADHD Medication Shortage Talk

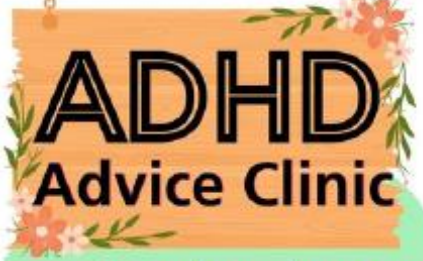
10am 14th October 2024

Laura Nisbet, Southampton CAMHS Lead Nurse for ADHD, is joining us to give updates on the ADHD medication shortage and to answer any questions you have.

Just us virtually on zoom by following the link in the events section of our [Re:Minds Facebook group](#).

This video will be available on our [YouTube](#) channel

Please email [info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk) if you have any questions



## ADHD Advice Clinic

Tuesday 15th October 11am

Book a 10 minute private Zoom appointment to speak with a member of the ADHD team at CAMHS about any issues around this subject

Email [info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk) to book

This clinic is open to all members of Re:Minds



## Thornhill Support Group

at 

A chance to talk to other parents/carers with neurodiverse children and/or mental health issues. Get advice & support from our team - it doesn't matter where you live, you can attend any group!



Friday 18th October 10am

You can also access the book & sensory library on request

\*please allow 48 hours prior notice for this\*

Face to face meetings are held at:  
St Christopher's Church, Pepys Avenue, SO19 6PJ

**Adults only please unless specified**

This venue has free parking onsite and is accessible - Refreshments are available



Please email [Info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:Info@reminds.org.uk) to book your space at one of the clinics or see the 'Events' section on Facebook for the booking form. You will have at least 10 minutes in a private session, held virtually via Zoom.



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**LIGHT  
PARTY**

**A LAND OF SNOW AND ICE**

**EXPECT GAMES, CRAFTS, FOOD AND  
LOTS OF SWEETS AND PRIZES!**

**DRESS UP AS FROZEN, NARNIA, ICE AGE  
AND OTHER POLAR THEMES!**

**THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER  
4-6PM**

**BOOK YOUR TICKETS**  
**WWW.ASCENSIONSOUTHAMPTON.CO.UK**  
ASCENSION CHURCH, 1 THOROLD ROAD, SO18 1HZ

Charity Party for Sophie's Appeal



**Sophie's Appeal**  
Invite you to  
**HALLOWEEN PARTY**  
OCTOBER  
**31st**  
12-2pm

**Fox and Hounds, Winchester  
Road, Fair Oak, SO50 7HB**



Tickets £10 per child  
Includes entertainment by the amazing Crazy M.  
Each ticket includes either Sausage & chips or Chicken & chips and drink.  
Pic and Mix sweet table, Lucky Dip.  
Prize for best fancy dressed Boy and Girl.  
Bar open to purchase extra drinks and food.  
To purchase tickets visit:  
[bit.ly/HalloweenEvent2024](http://bit.ly/HalloweenEvent2024)

Wishing you all an enjoyable and relaxing weekend,

Mr H  
Headteacher

