



This week

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all the support you have given our two schools with our Covid safe measures this term. The most significant of these has been your help with drop off and collection times as this is potentially where families are at most risk with large numbers of people on the playground. I know that many of you will have needed to adjust working patterns and routines, as well as remembering the mask in your pocket on the way in. As Warwickshire is in Tier 3 we ask that you continue to wear face masks when on the school site. Thank you, with everyone supporting each other we help to minimise the risk to our community.

A big thank you to both school PTAs who are working hard to help make sure that Christmas in school is special for the children. I hope that you liked your Christmas card delivery this week; the designs looked fabulous and many thanks for supporting us through ordering these. The minutes from the Thorns November meeting are attached to this email and our next meeting is on Tuesday. Please join us from the comfort of your own home as we meet online at 8pm, use the link at the bottom of the minutes – everyone welcome.

Thorns PTA are offering a cookie delivery service this term, please see the flyer for more information. Park Hill PTA have booked a production for school, please see this newsletter for more information. Both PTAs are asking that you bear them in mind when shopping online as if you register as a supporter with Amazon etc. it will cost you no more money but raise funds for our school charities. Please see the Thorns PTA newsletter for more information or go to: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1043652-0>

It's beginning to look a bit like Christmas at Park Hill as children have been busy making Christmas ornaments for our hoops. Children have been showing a range of different craft skills and will bring their decorations home at the end of term. At Thorns children are putting the finishing touches to the tree decorations before our tree appears in the empty Poundland window as part of this year's festival.

Best wishes, Mrs Liz Bradbury



Next week

Monday and Tuesday – School Christmas post boxes are open

Tuesday 1st December – school governors meeting

Tuesday 1st December – Thorns PTA meeting; 8pm online; to join the meeting click on the link in the minutes from November (attached to his newsletter email)

Next week



All children

Christmas Cards

We appreciate that children want to send Christmas cards to their friends and we want this to happen whilst taking into account Covid precautions. Therefore, children can bring cards into school on Mondays and Tuesdays. Children are asked to put their cards into their class letter box and they will then be quarantined for 72 hours. We will sort the post and give out cards on a Friday so that children may take them home. Our post boxes will open on Mondays and Tuesday from next week until the end of term – last post Tuesday 15th December.



Park Hill

Park Hill PTA

Park Hill PTA has booked showings of Carrot Productions' 2020 Snowman Tour for 14 December. The children will enjoy the Christmas tradition at school in their class bubbles. The day will be a non-uniform day. We are asking for a donation of £2 to participate in non-uniform day. Proceeds will go toward replacing art in the main hall that was damaged by smoke during the fire.

Please text SNOWMAN to 70450 to donate £2. This will cost you £2 plus your standard rate message.

Year 6



Sporting Triumph for Year 6

Congratulations to our Year 6 athletes who took part in an Indoor Athletics Pentathlon competition against other schools from across Coventry, Solihull, Warwickshire and came third overall. This was the first competition we have been able to take part in this year and it is great to see us off to such a good start.

Term Dates for 2020 -2021

We have set some dates for this school year on the basis that we are likely to be working in our current way for the autumn and spring terms and hope to be back to business as usual in the summer term. Please see below for early notice of some key dates.
Dates may be subject to change; as much notice as possible will be provided if this occurs.

Autumn Term

- 1st December: Thorns PTA meeting at 8pm online
- 14th December: non uniform day at Park Hill – PTA request a £2 donation; please text SNOWMAN to 70450 to donate £2. This will cost you £2 plus your standard rate message.
- 16th December: autumn term learning progress updates sent home to parents
- 17th December: Christmas lunch at both schools and Christmas Jumper Day

Spring Term

- 13th January: Park Hill PTA meeting, online
- 26th March: reports out to all parents
- 30th March: open evening at Park Hill 5-7pm
- 31st March: open evening at Thorns 5-7pm

Summer Term

- 11-14th May: Year 6 SATs
- 24-28th May: Year 6 residential visit to Devon
- 18th June: sports day at both schools (Park Hill in the morning and Thorns in the afternoon)
- 2nd July: reserve sports day
- 6th July: Thorns parents evening 4-6.30pm
- 7th July: Warwickshire transition day and children move to new schools or classes
- 7th July: Thorns parents evening 4-6.30pm
- 8th July: Park Hill parents evening 4-7pm
- 13th July: Park Hill parents evening 4-6.30pm
- 15th July: Year 6 leavers performances at 2pm and 6pm
- 16th July: volunteers coffee morning 10.30am
- 20th July Year 2 leavers assembly at 9.15am (parents invited)
- 20th July: Year 2 Leavers' Party in the afternoon
- 20th July: Year 6 Leavers' Party 6.30pm
- 21st July: Year 6 leavers assembly 2.15pm (parents invited)