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#### Weather Warning

Please keep a check on the local news and BBC Radio Leicester in the event of snow.



www.bbc.co.uk/leicester

I will also send out a text and put a notice on the website if we do have to close due to extreme weather conditions.

#### **Star Awards This Spring Term**

	Foundation 2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
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					Adrians		
					Danish		
		Nicola	Charlie				Ayaan
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		Jerah					
		Katie					
			Kaiden	Juwairia			Abdalaziz
			Azariah	Hargun			
				Saarah		Graham	
Green				Jada			
Merit				Keaun			
				Abigail			
Yellow				Orishay			Umar
Merit							
					Hari	Blessing	
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					Jayden		
						Evie	Zaynab
Bronze Award							Rakhi
Silver Award							Raessa







# **Thurnby Lodge Primary Academy**

# January 2017 Newsletter

#### **Principal's Message**

Christmas seems a distant memory as we whiz through January with a month packed full of learning and activities. I would like to thank you all for attending and supporting all the Christmas events.

The children always return after a holiday full of enthusiasm and ready to engage. This is great to see and helps us to continue to raise standards in our wonderful school.

Very soon you will see scaffolding going up around our building. We are excited that all our classrooms are having new windows!

#### 'Big Write'

The children have continued to astound us with their creativity in their monthly 'Big Write'. Each month, the children are given a new stimulus to inspire them. This month, to coincide with the Chinese New Year, the children had a 'dragon themed' video clip. Shockingly, a

dragon actually landed in our playground. So next time you're in the playground—watch out! Previously the children have written about: the gingerbread man invading the playground; Miss Hurdley's spooky tea party and fantastic beasts.

#### Key Dates

Fri 3rd Feb	'Florence Nightingale' workshop for Year 1		
Fri 3rd Feb	Swimming Gala at Cossington St		
Mon 6th Feb	Year 3 Multi Sports at Judgemeadow		
Tues 28th Feb	Bookbus Visit		
Thurs 2nd March	World Book Day		

#### Term Dates

School closes 3.15pm Fri 10th Feb

School opens Mon 20th Feb

School closes 3.15pm Fri 7th April

## **Foundation Blog**



to grip on.'

We have been learning about animals. When Dean Roots came into school we got to hold lots of different animals and find out what they like to eat.





The spider has eight legs and he likes to make a web. He has eight eyes.'

'One gecko was called Dotty and she had a big bottom with all the fat inside it. The other

gecko goes light and dark when it gets too hot and when it gets too cold. His tail looked like bird poo so he didn't get eaten in the trees. As told by Nabil Sumon (F1)



## **Sporting Events**

Our football team have now started playing matches on Tuesday evenings at Judgemeadow. They made a really good start!

We have eight children from year 5 and 6 in training for the East Leicester Swimming Gala on Friday.

Our last sports assessments, just before Christmas, highlighted how much progress all of the children made during the Autumn

The children in years 2—6 are now learning how to play basketball and netball with our Sports Coach.

#### **After School** Clubs

January—April 2017. For details of times and year groups make sure you read the letters that Mrs Tattersall sends out.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	<u>Friday</u>
Musical Theatre	Craft	Computer		Computer
Football	Football	Cooking		Musical Theatre
	Cooking			Football

**Trips & Events This Month** 

On Tuesday 10th January year 3 had a visit from the Museum Service about the Stone Age period. The children took part in an archaeological dig, tried on clothing similar to that of the Stone Age period and had the opportunity to create some 'cave art'.

On Wednesday 11th January years 3 and 4 went to the Curve to watch a performance of Roald Dahl's 'The Twits'. The children and adults absolutely loved it!! At the end the children were able to have a question and answer session with the actors.

Also on that Wednesday the Fire Service came into school to speak to years 1 and 5 about fire safety and how to keep safe when near and when crossing roads.

On Wednesday 17th January year 4 had a visit from the Museum Service about the Vikings and Viking traders. The children had the chance to do some weaving, write their names onto runes and map out what countries the Vikings traded with.

On Wednesday 18th January the parents and children from Foundation 1 and 2 were invited along



to a 'Reading Café' run by the library services and school staff.



They had the chance to share books with their children over drinks and biscuits.

On Wednesday 25th January year 5 went to New Walk museum for the 'Great Art Quest' Day.

#### **House Cup Winners**

Bradgate: 3449

DeMontfort: 3620

Foxton: 3692

Watermead: 3562



#### **House Captains**

Bradgate: Raessa Yr6

DeMontfort: Randeep Yr6

Foxton: Alice R. Yr6

Watermead: Zaynab Yr6

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