



Thornhill Lees Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter – November 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had an enjoyable half term break, and that the children are refreshed ready for a busy half term of learning!

Staffing Update

I (Mrs Booth) will be going on Maternity Leave later this month. Miss Loonat will be Acting Deputy Headteacher for the rest of the school year. Mrs McNulty will be Acting KS1 Leader throughout this time.

Applications for Reception and Junior School

It is time to apply for a school place if your child is in **3 year old Nursery** or **Year 2**.

If your child is in our Nursery, they **do not** automatically get a place in our school for Reception. You must apply for a place on the website below.

If your child is in Year 2, you must apply for a place at Headfield Junior School or elsewhere. Applications must be in by **15th January 2024**.

Apply here: [Kirklees Council](#)

Please come and see Mrs Wilson in the school office if you need any help.

Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. However, if your household claims certain benefits, your child may be entitled to income related Free School Meals. This means that school receives extra funding to support your child and all children, and also means that you may have access to food vouchers and free holiday clubs in some school holidays.

You may be eligible if you receive certain benefits. You can apply online here:

[Apply for free school meals - My Kirklees Account](#)

If you need help, please come and see Mrs Wilson in the school office.

Changing Weather

As the weather cools, please ensure your child has a warm, waterproof coat with them each day.

Nursery Places

We have places available in 2 year old and 3 year old Nursery from January and after Easter. Please pop into the office for a form. Bring your child's birth certificate with you.

Community Christmas Meal

Longcauseway Church in Dewsbury are offering a free community Christmas Day dinner with lunch, gifts and entertainment. It is being organised in conjunction with Dewsbury Cares Community Group. If you wish to book a place, please contact the organisers on **07398 735 530**.

As always, please come and see myself, Mrs Douglas or your child's class teacher if you have any concerns, questions or comments. Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Booth, Deputy Headteacher

DATES TO REMEMBER

School Term Dates and Holidays for the Academic Year 2024-25

School closes for Christmas on **Friday 20th December**

School reopens for the spring term on **Monday 6th January 2025**

School closes for the half term on **Friday 14th February**

School reopens on **Monday 24th February**

School closes for Easter on **Friday 4th April**

School reopens for the spring term on **Tuesday 22nd April**

School closes for the Spring Bank Holiday on **Friday 23rd May**

School reopens on **Monday 2nd June**

School closes for the summer holidays on **Friday 18th July**

Inset Days 2024-25

Monday 21st July 2025
Tuesday 22nd July 2025

