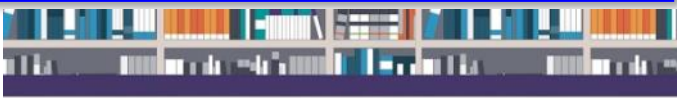




Thurrock Libraries are holding a fantastic scavenger story hunt with storyteller John Kirk this October half term. Join them on zoom!

This is a free event and open just to Thurrock families. All they ask is that they are emailed with a Thurrock library card number and name to [access.services@thurrock.gov.uk](mailto:access.services@thurrock.gov.uk) to gain the password for zoom.

"We'll be going on an adventure to find the naughty monster who has stolen the keys to the library and helping to get Thurrock reading again. Including a retelling of The Billy Goats Gruff this session is recommended as interactive fun for the whole family. Adventurers will need a piece of paper, crayons, pens or pencils to draw a picture and permission to turn their house upside down! Suitable for families with children age 3+"



**Storytelling Scavenger Adventure**  
Tuesday 27 October at 11am

**Join Storyteller John Kirk in an interactive adventure on Zoom!**

*Adventurers will need a piece of paper, crayons, pens or pencils to draw a picture and permission to turn their house upside down!*

Tickets are free by emailing your Thurrock library card number to [access.services@thurrock.gov.uk](mailto:access.services@thurrock.gov.uk)

Suitable for families with children age 3+



For more information on the various library services available, please visit [thurrock.gov.uk/libraries](http://thurrock.gov.uk/libraries)

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**Special Menu Day**

**Big Treat Day**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October

**Breaded Chicken Strips**

**Vegan Nuggets**

**Pinwheel Pizza**

**Curly Fries**

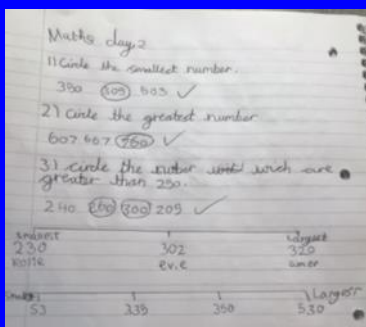
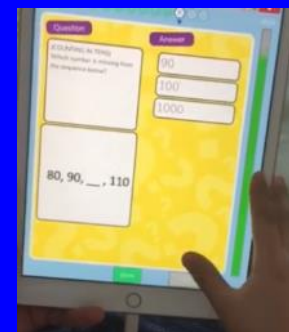
**Corn on the Cob**

**Donut**



**Year 3 in Focus**

Our staff in 3 Violet are Mrs Razzell and Ms Iberi and in 3 Lilac Mrs Haughty and Mrs Russell; we also have Miss West who teaches in both classes. Mrs Razzell is also the phase leader for Year 3. For the last two weeks we have all been learning from home, the children have been well supported by their families and have produced lots of amazing work.



They have been having some teaching sessions via zoom, which has meant that we have been able to complete some very specific learning. We have used google classrooms, purple mash, zoom and class dojo to complete all of the work. We are all looking forward to being back in school so we can continue to grow and learn together.

Please see the table below, which may help with determining common symptoms of COVID-19 compared to other illnesses. Information provided by the World Health Organisation.

Symptoms	Coronavirus	Flu	Cold
 Fever	Common	Common	Rare
 Cough	Common	Common	Mild
 Loss of taste and smell	Sudden	Rare	Sometimes
 Fatigue	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
 Headaches	Sometimes	Common	Rare
 Aches and pains	Sometimes	Common	Common
 Runny/stuffy nose	Rare	Sometimes	Common
 Sore throat	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common
 Sneezing	No	No	Common
 Shortness of breath	Sometimes	No	No
 Diarrhoea	Sometimes for children	Sometimes, especially for children	No

Schoolgateway



Don't forget that you can check and request a change of you and your child's

details on our records by clicking on ABOUT ME on the School Gateway App and click the link "please inform the school".

You will also be able to see your child's attendance record, report an absence and view achievements!

**Please note that it is now a requirement for anyone over the age of 12 to wear a mask when on our premises. This is for your protection as well as the school.**

**5 Topaz achieved 100% attendance this week. Classes meeting or beating our target of 96% were**

<b>2A</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>4A</b>	<b>97.6</b>
<b>6J</b>	<b>96.7</b>		

**Classes not quite meeting our overall school target of 96% attendance were**

<b>1L</b>	<b>95.7</b>	<b>6E</b>	<b>95.1</b>
<b>2R</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1B</b>	<b>94.6</b>
<b>4C</b>	<b>91.9</b>	<b>RC</b>	<b>91.8</b>
<b>5S</b>	<b>91.2</b>	<b>RM</b>	<b>82.5</b>

**RC, RM, 1L, 2R, 4C, 4A, 5T were all in school on time last week. Overall, children lost 6 hours and 50 minutes in total learning time through lateness.**

### **HPA Absence Line**

**To report your child as absent please contact the school office on 01375 489860 by 8.45am or leave us a text message through the School Gateway App. If your child has an appointment during the morning please ensure you have contacted the school office to inform them of this and whether a school dinner is required.**

September 18 2020

# Star of the week

Benny 1B for enthusiasm and being a fantastic role model	Mildred 1L for being a positive role model for others
Kenzie 2A for full marks on his spelling test and for being a positive role model for all	Elsie 2R for enthusiasm in all her learning
Jake 3L for rising to the challenge of new learning and always showing respect	Olivia 3V for always rising to the challenge of new learning with a smile
Billy 4A for showing great resilience since returning to school	Gbolade 4C for always having a positive attitude to learning and trying his best
Tamia 5S for showing resilience and extending her learning at home	Ioana 5T for consistently working hard and showing resilience in all lessons
Matei 6E for showing increased confidence in PE	Jessica 6J for always being an exemplary role model in year 6 and across the school

September 18 2020

# Reader of the week

Alice 1B for fantastic partner reading in phonics	Lucas 1L for showing enthusiasm for home reading
Yahya 2A for reading every day and tackling the activities with enthusiasm	O'Shane 2R for fantastic partner work in RWI
Evie 3L for showing great enthusiasm towards completing reading tasks	Sydney 3V for regular home reading
Cassady 4A for super reading in RWI	Rosie 4C for determination in finding a love of reading
Toby 5S for constantly reading at home and for a well-kept reading log	Daisy 5T for reading daily and participating in class discussions about a book
Tyrece 6E for completing three books already this half term! Thank you to Tyrece and his parents for committing to reading	Sieni 6J for daily reading, every day since the start of term

September 18 2020

# Writer of the week

Kelsey 1B for holding a sentence	Chisom 1L for developing her handwriting
Brodie 2A for his recall of Roald Dahl facts and completing his comprehension	Amin 2R for independently writing sentences
Leon 3L for showing resilience and perseverance when completing research	Teddy 3V for considering his research and how to apply this to his writing
Tate 4A for amazing writing during English	Enya 4C for developing her sentences and making them more descriptive
Joey 5S for using fronted adverbials and emotive language in a diary	Kailan 5T for independent writing on The Journey to Jo'burg
Sammii & Demi-Rose 6E for amazing partner work on expounded noun phrases	Ayoola 6J for witty and creative diary writing as a character

September 18 2020

# Mathematician of the week

Gabriel 1B for enthusiasm for maths and for creating a super pattern	Riley 1L for using resources to support addition
Nathan 2A for enthusiasm for times tables and for full marks on his 10 time tables test	Ayden 2R for identifying the value of 1's and 10's
Klay 3L for challenging himself to move onto the challenge questions and showing enthusiasm towards his learning in maths	Harry 3V for using known facts to apply to challenge questions
Dylan 4A for super understanding of place value	Jaden 4C for working hard and making progress in maths and place value
Bonnie 5S for rounding 6-digit numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000	Harrison 5T for deepening his understanding of place value through questioning
Skye 6E for excellent problem solving skills and for great resilience with the "going deeper" challenge	Mckenzie 6J for showing determination in rounding to 1,000, 10,000 and 100,000

**Please be advised that ALL events are provisional and subject to cancellation/postponement.**

DIARY DATES.....

**Tuesday 1 September**

Non pupil day

**Wednesday 2 September**

Back to school Autumn 1

**Friday 9 October**

World mental health day

**Tuesday 13 October**

Parents Evening

**Friday 16 October**

Last day Autumn 1

**Monday 2 November**

Back to school Autumn 2

**Wednesday 11 November**

Remembrance day

**Friday 13 November**

Children in need charity day

**Wednesday 18 November**

Matilda theatre trip

Open day for prospective Early Years parents

**Friday 27 November**

Non pupil day for GLC Primary Schools

Thursday 17 December

Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children Charity

**Friday 18 December**

Last day Autumn 2

**Monday 4 January**

Non Pupil day

**Tuesday 5 January**

Back to school Spring 1

**Wednesday 20 January**

Tempest Photography—school photos

**Friday 5 February**

NSPCC Numbers Day

**Friday 12 February**

Last day Spring 1

KS1 Sports Hall activities—Basildon

**Monday 22 February**

Back to school Spring 2

**Thursday 4 March**

World Book Day

**Thursday 11 March**

GLC Athletics

Poetry competition heats

**Friday 12 March**

Y3&4 Sports Hall Athletics—Basildon

**Thursday 18 March**

Poetry competition finals

**Friday 19 March**

Red Nose Day for Comic Relief

**Friday 26 March**

Last day Spring 2

**Monday 12 April**

Back to school Summer 1

**Tuesday 13 April**

Y3&4 Cross Country at William Edwards School

**Thursday 15 April**

Y5&6 Cross Country at William Edwards School

**Friday 16 April**

Netball Rally—Basildon

**Monday 3 May**

Mayday Bank Holiday—School Closed

**Monday 10-13 May**

Y6 SATs

**Friday 21-23 May**

Y6 Residential trip

**Friday 28 May**

Last day Summer 1

**Monday 7 June**

Back to school Summer 2

**Tuesday 8 June**

Y6 Rounders at William Edwards School

**Monday 28 June**

Reception Teddy Bear's Picnic

**Thursday 1 July**

Y5 Gateway Academy Experience Day

**Monday 5 –15 July**

Y6 Gateway transition

**Friday 16 July**

Last day Summer 2

**Monday 19 July**

Non pupil day

**Tuesday 20 July**

Non pupil day

The World Health Organisation has produced the following advice for adults to help them assure children who are worried about the Coronavirus outbreak.



World Health  
Organization

## Helping children cope with stress during the 2019-nCoV outbreak



Children may respond to stress in different ways such as being more clingy, anxious, withdrawing, angry or agitated, bedwetting etc.

Respond to your child's reactions in a supportive way, listen to their concerns and give them extra love and attention.

Children need adults' love and attention during difficult times. Give them extra time and attention.

Remember to listen to your children, speak kindly and reassure them.

If possible, make opportunities for the child to play and relax.



Try and keep children close to their parents and family and avoid separating children and their caregivers to the extent possible. If separation occurs (e.g. hospitalization) ensure regular contact (e.g. via phone) and re-assurance.

Keep to regular routines and schedules as much as possible, or help create new ones in a new environment, including school/learning as well as time for safely playing and relaxing.



Provide facts about what has happened, explain what is going on now and give them clear information about how to reduce their risk of being infected by the disease in words that they can understand depending on their age.

This also includes providing information about what could happen in a re-assuring way (e.g. a family member and/or the child may start not feeling well and may have to go to the hospital for some time so doctors can help them feel better).