



Thurston CE Primary Academy

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Dear Parent/Carers,

What a year! We moved into our brand new building last September and it has been a wonderful first year here full of exciting learning opportunities for our ever expanding number of pupils and staff. Last summer we created a new vision for the school and it's Christian ethos, which we entitled The Thurston Way. Even though there is still work to be done on this, we are delighted to see how The Thurston Way has been embraced by our pupils and staff and look forward to continuing to embed this next year.

Yesterday we said farewell to our Year 6 leavers who have made us incredibly proud at not just their leavers events such as the Year 6 show and leavers assembly but throughout their time at Thurston CE Primary Academy. We wish them every success for the future and look forward to hearing all about their achievements at secondary school.

We also said goodbye to Mrs Reavis, Miss Ward and Mrs Meyer who are moving on to adventures at new schools, we are very thankful for their contributions to the school during their time here and wish them the very best of luck for the future.

We were pleased to host our end of term awards yesterday where some children were awarded for particular effort or progress this term. Here's the full list of award winners:

EYFS Progress	Emma Mrazek
KS1 Progress	Frankie Mappedoram
LKS2 Progress	Bradley Choules
UKS2 Progress	Imogen Lawrence-Flack
EYFS Effort	Eva Murray
KS1 Effort	Joseph Stott
LKS2 Effort	Nick Bondarenko
UKS2 Effort	Charlotte Jupp
Christian Value	Chloe Bye

Our community award was given to Lola Crissell who raised £670 for the RSPCA by organising a Charity Bike Ride which not only raised money but bought the community together. Special mention for Ewan Deacon who was also nominated for his fundraising efforts in the wider community. Nominations are now open for next term's Community Award. Nomination forms can be found on the website.



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After two years of disruption, nation assessments began again this year for all primary schools and we're delighted with our results. Thurston CE Primary Academy is either above or inline with the both the national average and local authority averages in all areas of the expected standard of assessed subjects, including in Early Years. This is testament to not only the hard work of our staff and pupils but also to the level of support we have from our parents and carers. We are very thankful to everyone's contributions to the school and look forward to welcoming you all back to a new school year in September. Wishing everyone a happy and healthy summer holidays.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr John Bayes

Headteacher

Important dates for September

1st and 2nd Sept- Professional Development days for staff. No school for pupils.

Monday 5th September- All pupils return to school

You will never have this day again so, with the guidance of God, make it count!

