Friday 6th March 2026

# Newsletter

**Inspire ● Enrich ● Enjoy ● Succeed**

## Metacognition

**Charlie Austin Bradley Polly**

## Geography

**Joel Thomas H**

## Eco-Award

**Leyna Liliana**

### A message from Mrs Wood

As you will have hopefully seen on Facebook and on some of the class sections of this newsletter, the children had a great time on World Book Day. We love reading at STW and the children enjoyed the extra opportunities to emerse themselves in books. They looked great! It was also great to see another good turn out for our reading café at TW - thank you as always for your support.

On Wednesday we had a visit from our local authority adviser who spent the day reviewing our offer for children with SEND needs. The outcomes were very positive, showcasing how well we know our children and the effectiveness of the strategies that we have in place. We were very proud of the children who spoke with the adviser - they did so articulately and with great confidence.

Well done to the children who represented our federation in the inter-school curling, archery and boccia competition earlier this week - they showed great enthusiasm, team work and sportsmanship skills.

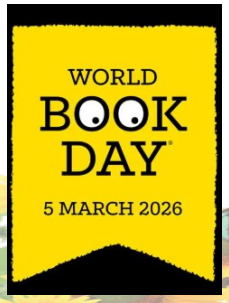
We continue to develop OPAL across our federation - the children really enjoy this and we see lovely interactions, imagination, and again, teamwork. We continue to develop these areas.




Thursday 12th March 2026 - Y5 and 6 Skipping Event Richmond School 12.45-2.45pm
Tuesday 24th March 2026- TW Easter service 2.15pm
Friday 27th March 2026 - School closes for Easter holidays
Monday 13th April 2026 - Staff Training Day - school closed to pupils
Tuesday 14th April 2026 - School re-opens for pupils
Monday 4th May 2026—May Bank Holiday - school closed
Friday 22nd May 2026 - School closes for half term holiday
Monday 15th - Wednesday 17th June - Year 5 and 6 Residential to London

## Sunflowers and Robins Class

World Book Day has been celebrated in style by Sunflowers and Robins this week. We have shown each other our costumes and guessed which book characters we were disguised as! We have shared our favourite stories all through the day and got involved in lots of story related activities. It really has been a celebration of how magical stories are for all of us. We also loved having the Wonky Tree Bookshop visit us so we could choose a book with our World Book Day voucher.









## Owls Class

Everyone in Owls has settled back into school life quickly after the half term break. In English we have started reading ' Sparky!' a story about a girl and her pet sloth. Jack said, *"This book is about kindness and love. I think it is an amazing book!"* Eleanor commented, *"I like this book because it's about compassion and hope. It's a good way to show our Christian values".*

In Computing we had a great lesson where children had to give instructions to Mrs Sutcliffe. Henry laughed, *"It was really funny, she stacked the butter tub and jam jar on top of the bread!"* Ben said, *"It was very funny! I finally gave her the correct instructions*!" The lesson showed us how important it is to give clear instructions in the correct order when coding.









## Red Kites Class

We're taking full advantage of the spring sunshine here at Thornton Watlass today. Our PE lesson was developing our cricket skills. We've practiced under arm and over arm throws, a little bit of fielding before moving onto batting. We then put them all together and had short matches to finish.













World Book Day has been an amazing success.
A true celebration of all our favourite characters from books. The children have thoroughly enjoyed dressing up and admiring each other's costumes. Sharing books has been the order of the day; sitting comfortably and getting lost in our favourite stories.

## House Points

**House Point Weekly Totals**

| | Beech | Oak | Sycamore |
|---|---|---|---|
| 06.02.26 | 66 | 70 | 60 |
| 13.02.26 | 58 | 62 | 51 |

**Spring Term Running Totals**

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|---|---|
| Sycamore | 407 |
| Beech | 438 |
| Oak | 449 |

## News and Information

Come and join us for an OPAL fundraising event. What a marvellous way to start to a weekend; a delicious home cooked breakfast at Thornton Watlass Primary School! Raising money that will benefit the children at school and make their OPAL equipment even more exciting.







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**Growing up in the online world**—please use the link in the email sent to parents this week if you would like to take part in the consultation.

## Safeguarding




Our termly Online Safety Newsletter has been emailed to parents/ carers. This contains research findings on the use of mobile devices as well as handy tips/ signposting. This can also be found on our website along with a range of useful resources.