



# Thomas Eaton News

Autumn Term Issue 4

4th October 2024

It has been another busy and productive week in Thomas Eaton, with the week starting with a visit from Jane Considine. Jane is an Education Consultant who energises and inspires thousands of teachers every year, helping them to transform the teaching of reading, writing and spelling in the primary education phase. We structure our writing curriculum through the delivery of her 'Write Stuff' approach and it was wonderful to see Jane teach our pupils using this approach. Jane commented upon the good learning behaviours of the children and their enthusiasm for learning. Here is Jane in action.



It was lovely to see so many of our Thomas Eaton Community this afternoon in our Harvest Celebration Assembly. The children performed beautifully and I was very proud of them all. Thank you to you all for generously donating the wide variety of food items for our Harvest collection. All your kind donations will be gratefully collected by March Food Bank to support local families who are experiencing hardship this Harvest.

Here's hoping the rain stays away for the weekend and we can enjoy some brighter spells. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy time together as a family.

Mrs N Webb  
Deputy Headteacher

## Time to celebrate....

Congratulations to Ivy in Tiger class and Isla in Foxes class who were both presented with the Diamond Learner award in our assembly today. Ivy is a pupil who always gives her very best in every curriculum area, who is polite and respectful and is always ready for learning. Very well deserved Ivy!

Isla always is always ready to learn, keen to help around the classroom, is enthusiastic and has a really positive attitude. Well done Isla!

## PTFA Christmas Card project

Today, your child/ren will have brought home communication regarding the PTFA Christmas card project, including their individual Christmas design. Please could you ensure that any order forms are returned to school no later than Monday 21st October. Any orders received after this date, will not be able to be processed.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

## Thomas Eaton Dojos

Koala Class - 58  
Meerkat Class - 93  
Panda Class - 257  
Tiger Class - 144  
Fox Class - 116  
Lion Class - 123

## Questions of the week

We are aware that sometimes it is tricky for children to talk to parents about their learning from the week or that sometimes you get the answer "nothing" when asking children what they've learned at school.

Therefore, we are going to provide a prompt question for each year group every week, that you can ask your child and get them talking about their amazing learning.

**Koala Class:** How many owl babies are there?"

**Meerkat Class:** What does 1 and 1 and 1 make?

**Panda Class:** Can you tell your grown up some words we can use instead of 'sad', 'happy', and 'angry'.

**Tiger Class:** What did you do well and what could you improve with your cushions?

**Fox Class:** What is special about the books of Shaun Tan?

**Lion Class:** What is the difference between a line of latitude and a line of longitude?

## School Attendance

Please find the class weekly attendance figures below:

Meerkat Class: 93.8%

Panda Class: 95.1%

Tiger Class: 97.8%

Fox Class: 90.4%

Lion Class: 95.1%

Overall weekly attendance for the whole school 93.1%

## Above and Beyond

Koala Class: Sid & Harvey

Meerkat Class: Arthur F

Panda Class: Albert

Tiger Class: Olivia

Fox Class: Joshua

Lion Class: Arianna



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## Upcoming dates

**Autumn Term 2024**

**Tuesday 22nd October**  
Parent Consultations (online)

**Thursday 24th October**  
Parent Consultations (online)

**Monday 28th - Friday 1st November**  
October half term

**Monday 4th November**  
Training Day

**Tuesday 5th November**  
Autumn Term continues

**Thursday 7th November**  
Halloween / Bonfire themed disco

**Monday 11th November**  
Tempest Photographs (individuals)

**Thursday 5th December**  
EYFS & Year 1 Nativity

**Wednesday 11th December**  
Year 2 & 3 Christingle

**Thursday 12th December**  
Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas dinner

**Friday 20th December**  
Celebration Day  
Celebration Assembly 2:30pm  
Autumn Term ends

**Monday 23rd December-Friday 3rd January**  
Christmas Holidays

**Spring Term 2005**

**Monday 6th January**  
Training Day

**Tuesday 7th January**  
Spring Term starts

## Parking near the school site and considerate road use

We have received some complaints from our school community regarding inconsiderate, and often illegal, parking by parents accessing the school in the mornings and afternoons, including parking in the zig-zag lines outside school and parking across private driveways.

As with the majority of primary schools in the country, we do not have a 'parent' car park. If you do need to drive to drop off or collect your child please park considerately and ensure you are not obstructing drives, garages or access to roads. Please be respectful of our neighbours and remember that parking on zig-zag lines at any time of the day is prohibited.

Our children's safety is our main priority and this includes their journey to and from school.

We appreciate your support in this matter. Thank you.



## A polite reminder

As the weather is now rather autumnal, please could you ensure that your child/ren come to school wearing a coat. It maybe blue skies and sunshine first thing in the morning but by breacktime the rain may be falling.

If possible, please bring a pair of wellies into school too so that we can access outdoor play as much as possible. Please ensure all clothing/footwear is named

Thank you.