



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AT THURLSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL

At Thurlstone Primary School we believe that all children should receive an excellent education. For us that means excellent opportunities to succeed in every academic, and non-academic way possible. We aim to provide inspirational activities which opens the door to dreams of becoming a dancer, a musician, a stage designer, a landscape artist, an actor, a conductor, a mountain climber ... the list goes on. By exposing children to these exciting and rich activities, we hope to inspire our children to aim high and wide to become responsible and active citizens in the world in which they live.

We will know that we have been successful when we see a school community that is able to demonstrate:

Excellent achievement - High attainment and progress compared to national averages and relative to their age and stage.

A high degree of self-worth - the self-belief, confidence, resilience and ability to challenge bravely.

A high degree of motivation - the ability to listen, explore, question and foster a love of learning in order to become a lifelong learner.

Good self-control and coping skills - be able to disagree confidently, behave with integrity, have positive wellbeing, mental and physical health.

Make positive contributions to society – to collaborate, support one another, be sociable, be responsible and become active citizens.

Thurlstone Primary School is a unique place. Our offer is genuinely and distinctively, child focused with enrichment and personal development at its core. Our values are instilled, cultivated, celebrated and cherished through a framework of carefully planned extra-curricular and co-curricular opportunities. By providing access to a wide range of enrichment experiences, engaging activities, performances and links with our community we aim to develop well rounded children who flourish in all aspects of their lives.

EXTRA CURRICULAR	CO-CURRICULAR
<p>Extra-Curricular activities are those, sometimes optional, out-of-the-classroom activities that are not tied to the curriculum. At Thurlstone, these activities provide our children with opportunities to try new things, harbour new interests, explore their talents and develop their character.</p>	<p>Co-Curricular activities and opportunities go beyond, but complement, the regular curriculum and form part of a coordinated approach to an all-round education. These are enrichment opportunities and use of positive partnerships, charity work and application of knowledge and skills in different contexts and experiences.</p>

At Thurlstone, we pledge to ensure that each year every child will:

- Participate in different sports or opportunities to be active.
- Try something new in an after-school club
- Connect with people locally, nationally and globally.
- Speak and present in front of an audience
- Assume a role of responsibility in class or around school
- Focus on and learn about their own wellbeing and that of others.
- Undertake and artistic performance in front of an audience
- Engage in charity work to benefit those in need.

NURTURING PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH OUR WIDER CURRICULAR OFFER

EXTRA CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES – ACADEMIC YEAR 24/25

- Barnsley Music Service music tuition (recorder, guitar, keyboard) – individual pupils and small group.
- Wider Opportunities Music tuition (whole class brass – Y4 for the full year.)
- Barnsley Youth Choir ‘Big Sing’ Y6 concert
- Barnsley Youth Choir workshops for KS2
- Compass Be drop-in sessions for parents (wellbeing and mental health support)
- Whole school top Pantomime visit to Bradford Alhambra Theatre.
- Bikeability for Y5
- Young Voices for Y5
- P4Sport team sports -all ages
- P4Sport ‘Get Mucky’ event competitions for Y3-Y6
- Clubs and activities to promote girls’ participation in sport – all ages
- After school dance club for all ages.
- Crucial Crew (organised by South Yorkshire Police) for Y6
- Whole school visit to local 1950’s style cinema
- Art club run by local artist – KS2
- E Safety workshops for all children and parents.
- After school Gymnastics – all ages
- After school Dodgeball –all ages
- After school Rugby – all ages
- Kingswood residential for Y6
- Lunch time Wild Historian History club – KS2
- Lunch time Choir Club – all ages
- Lunch time Library Club run by Y6 for all ages
- World Book Day activities - whole school
- Guitar concert at Christmas (performed by children who have had individual lessons)

CO-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES - ACADEMIC YEAR 24/25

- Wellbeing Peer Champions
- Visiting dentists for YR
- Harvest charity work for Age UK
- Remembrance Day commemoration for the whole community
- Y6 Buddies for new YR children
- Special Celebration Assemblies
- School Government elections and Pupil Prime Minister
- Marking World Kindness Day, World Mental Health Day and Anti-Bullying Week.
- Compass Be workshops for all age ranges
- Parent workshops -various subjects
- Class Anthem performances
- Marking Black History Month
- Wellbeing focus in the Shuttle newsletter and ClassDojo
- Sports Pupil Council
- School Council
- School Uniform Swap to support families
- Y6 ‘Greeters’ and parents evening time keepers.
- Community Hamper scheme
- Warm Coat initiative
- Charity work for local elderly – Chocolate treats for the elderly
- Weekly FYI assembly focusing on current affairs across the world
- Pupil led clubs – reading club
- Wellbeing focused Class Anthem
- Pupil Tuck Shop management
- Pupil Council planting trees to support the environment

