

The Shuttle

12/02/2026

HALF TERM COMPLETE!

We are officially...
HALF WAY THROUGH THE ACADEMIC YEAR!
 Where has the time gone!?

We have all been working our little socks off and the children are making such good progress! Here's to a happy half term break and a successful and happy new half term!

Brighter days are coming...

By the end of February, the sun won't set until 5:37pm

- March: 6:14pm
- April 7:11pm
- May 8:06pm

Friday's Cheesy yet WISE
WORDS OF WISDOM

The children have just finished our first **myHappyMind** unit - '**Meet Your Brain!**' They have learnt so much about how the brain works. The next unit after half term is called '**Celebrate**' and it's all about celebrating our positive character traits. If you haven't done so already, please download the parent app so you can follow what we're doing in school - there's lots of helpful and interesting stuff on the app.

myHappyMind.



DIARY DATES

Friday 13th Feb

Break up for half term

Monday 23rd Feb

Back to school!

Tuesday 24th Feb

Rock Steady Assembly and workshops!

ROCK STEADY MUSIC SCHOOL!

We are really excited because Rock Steady are coming to school on Tuesday 24th Feb to deliver a whole school assembly and workshops for KS1 and KS2! The aim is to promote their excellent service and see if anyone is interested in rock band music tuition. More information will be shared next half term!

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/schools/>



Neurodiversity
Celebration
Week

Don't forget it's
 Neurodiversity Celebration Week
 soon! It runs from 16th March to
 the 20th. Watch this space for
 more information soon!

Link Governor Behaviour and Wellbeing report...

SHUTTLE PARENT COMMUNICATION: Behaviour and Wellbeing

At Thurlstone, we've always believed that education is about more than just academic learning. It's about ensuring every child feels happy, safe, and supported. This year, we've taken important steps to formalise how we monitor and develop this area where Thurlstone Primary has historically excelled. Mr Peace has stepped into the role as Behaviour, Wellbeing and Inclusion Lead, and a dedicated governor role has been created to provide strategic oversight, ensuring that your children's wellbeing remains at the heart of everything we do.

When I visited classrooms in November, I was delighted by what I observed. Children were engaged, focused, and genuinely happy in their learning. Pupils were working collaboratively, treating each other with respect and kindness, and clearly felt comfortable and safe. The Headteacher also spoke with children in Years 4 and 6 to hear their views. We were told that teachers "deal with things calmly and fairly" and adults "help us make better choices". It was wonderful to hear how supported and listened to they feel.

This year, we've introduced several initiatives including training for staff in restorative practices and Positive Regard training that emphasise understanding and positive relationships. For pupils and staff, we've introduced the myHappyMind program. If you haven't already explored myHappyMind, we'd encourage you to find out more. Many parents and staff have told us how helpful they've found it. Looking ahead, we'll continue to embed consistent approaches across the school, share positive stories and strategies with you, and work in partnership with families to support every child's wellbeing. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's wellbeing, please don't hesitate to contact school. Thank you for your continued support in making Thurlstone Primary a happy place to learn and grow.

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