



Newsletter

10/7/26



8:55, that's the rule,
brains switched on and
ready for school!

Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of this academic year, this is my final newsletter to you until September. What a fantastic way to finish the year with our Cultural Diversity Day and our very first Summer Community Festival! They perfectly reflected our school values, bringing us together to celebrate our unique differences, talents and cultures. Thank you for your continued support throughout the year. I wish you and your families a peaceful, happy and restful summer. Please continue to watch wonderful memories together, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back, refreshed and ready for another exciting year.

Best wishes,
Mrs Poulteney
Headteacher

Year 4 Ancient Egypt Workshop

Year 4 enjoyed an exciting Ancient Egypt Day, taking part in a range of immersive activities. They learnt to write on papyrus using reed pens and ink, watched an embalming demonstration, designed their own Egyptian city, and examined a variety of fascinating Egyptian artefacts. The children also learnt about and played traditional Egyptian games. To make the day even more memorable, everyone dressed up in fantastic Egyptian costumes. It was a wonderful experience, and the children had a fantastic time immersing themselves in the fascinating world of Ancient Egypt.



Thurrock SEND Family Forum are asking parent/carers across the borough to complete their End of Year Survey, which will remain open until 03.08.26. Survey link: <https://airtable.com/appi51qwmmp4mK0rc/shrkPHomPwV0ZJ0jB>

Delighted to share that our Year 6 students made an impressive **£877.71 on Enterprise Day!** This fantastic achievement demonstrates their creativity and hard work. Their entrepreneurial spirit truly shone through, and it was wonderful to see them engage in such valuable experiences.

Diary Dates

13.07.2026	Year 6 Celebration Evening, 5.30 - 7.00pm, parents welcome
15.07.2026	Class Parties
17.07.2026	School closes at 1.30pm
09.09.2026	Children to return to school

Important change regarding Proof of Attendance Letters

Starting on 2nd September 2026, there will be a **fee of £15 in cash for any administrative letter/form requested**. This letter/form is often required to provide evidence to the Home Office or for a personal allowance. Please plan accordingly and ensure the school office is aware of your request at least 5 working days before your deadline.



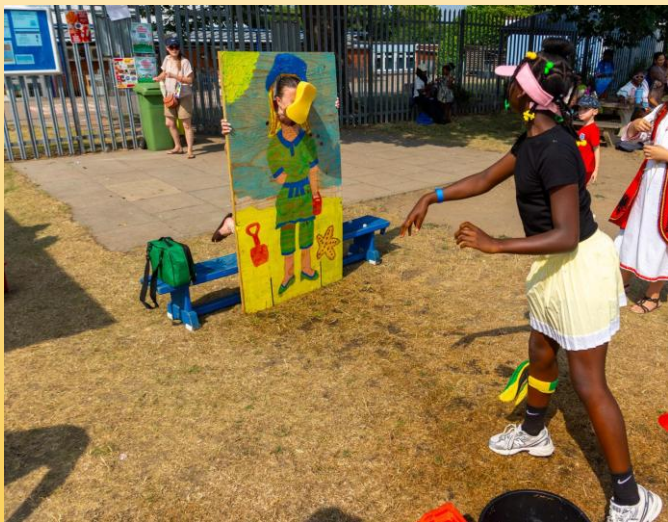
Cultural Diversity Day and Summer Fete



WOW! What a wonderful time we shared yesterday at our Cultural Diversity Day and Summer Festival. It was truly fantastic to see so many of you there, supporting our pupils and helping to create a vibrant atmosphere.

A special thank you to those parents who lent a hand – your support is greatly appreciated! The children were simply amazing as they performed their chosen country dances in their transitional clothes, and it was a joy to watch them having so much fun at the festival and enjoying the inflatables. Their enthusiasm truly made the day memorable! ♥

Thank you once again for your involvement and support in making this event a success. We couldn't have done it without you.



♥ Our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs Foley for all her dedicated planning and organisation. It's clear that she puts in a tremendous amount of effort, and we truly appreciate everything she does for our school community!





MISS THEAKSTON IS CLIMBING

SNOWDON

SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST 2026

ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL GRAYS

I'm taking on the challenge of climbing Snowdon on Saturday 1st August 2026 to raise money for my school, St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School, Grays.

Every penny raised will go directly towards supporting our amazing children, their learning, and creating even more opportunities for them to thrive.

LET'S REACH THE SUMMIT Together!

EVERY DONATION BIG OR SMALL MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL
SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN
SUPPORT OUR FUTURE

THANK YOU
FOR HELPING ME
REACH THE SUMMIT
AND SUPPORT
OUR SCHOOL

SCAN TO DONATE TODAY!

Together, WE CAN HELP OUR CHILDREN REACH THEIR OWN SUMMITS!



🎵 The Infant Choir children performed at the Civic Hall, for the Infant Music Festival. The children sang beautifully and joined in with all the actions! Well done, children!