

Thrupp Primary School Sports Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Welcome to our March Sports Newsletter! As we welcome the brighter days of March, sport at Thrupp Primary School is already in full swing! This month has been packed with energy, enthusiasm and fantastic teamwork across all year groups. From exciting inter-house competitions to skill-building sessions and competitive fixtures, our pupils have shown determination, resilience and true sportsmanship. We are incredibly proud of the effort and positivity everyone has brought to PE lessons and sporting events, and we look forward to sharing some of the highlights and achievements from the past few weeks.

Sports Hall Athletics @ Thomas Keble

Our link with Mr Price at Thomas Keble began with a team of Y5's taking part in a Sports Hall Athletics competition. The children competed in track and field events gaining points for the team. They were up against all Y6 teams, not that you could tell. Our team performed so well. Super proud of them. A big thank you to Mr Price and his team of Sports captains for running the event.



🏒 Hockey Festival 🏒

A fantastic morning on the Stratford Park Astro for Thrupp! We took 18 children to the Atlas run event. The children were split into 3 teams and competed against 30 plus other schools. All of our teams got better as the morning progressed, with one team missing out on the semifinals on goal difference and another going through as group winners after winning all their games. This team cruised through their semifinal and came from behind to score a golden goal to become champions! We are so proud of all of those that competed and it's always lovely to bring home the trophy. Go team Thrupp!!



🏐 KS2 Netball 🏐

With both Mrs Mylechreest and Mr Muskett running netball clubs, the children have also been given the opportunity to play against each other and other schools this month. Our Y5/6's has played in-house friendlies a couple of times as well as playing away at Gastrells and Callowell. The team has made great progress and only narrowly lost out in these games. The Y3/4's had their first in-house friendly this month as well and are showing great potential. This is all great news with the Netball festivals coming up in the first week of next term.



⚽ Thrupp Lionesses ⚽

With so many girls enjoying their football, we arranged a mini football festival v Chalford. We took 15 girls from Y4-6 up to Chalford, where the girls played against two Chalford teams as well as playing each other. The girls won all of their games against Chalford and showed off lots of the skills they have learnt in club as well as superb teamwork. Go Thrupp Lionesses!!



🏀 Basketball @ Thomas Keble 🏀

Continuing our link with Mr Price and TK we took 3 teams of Y5/6's up to TK for a basketball festival. The teams played fantastically with some great teamwork on show. The teams finished 2nd and then joint 3rd which is a great achievement. Mr Price said he had never seen such a high standard of basketball from a primary school!! Go team Thrupp!!





🏃‍♂️ Y6 Orienteering 🏃‍♂️

Our Y6's were given the opportunity to take part in an orienteering festival at Westonbirt. They were split into two teams, given a map and sixteen checkpoints to find. The weather held off and it turned into a highly successful morning. There was plenty of teamwork as well as leadership on show. Go team Thrupp!!



Coming Up:

April 15th – Y3/4 Netball

April 15th – District football finals @Shortwood FC
April 16th – Pickleball Workshop
April 16th – Y5/6 Netball
April 17th – Y5/6 TK Hockey
April 22nd – Rugby District finals @Stroud Rugby Club
April 24th – Hawks Orienteering
April 27th – Y3/4 Football v Chalford
April 29th – KS1 Football
April 29th – District girls football finals @Shortwood
A busy month of sport at Thrupp!!

★ In the Spotlight – Betsy

About them-

Q: What is your name and how old are you?

A: My name is Betsy and I'm in Y4.

Q: What sports do you play or enjoy watching?

A: Football and netball.

Getting into sport-

Q: How did you first get into sport?

A: By watching other people play.

Q: Who inspired you to start playing?

A: I'm not sure.

Favourite things-

Q: What is your favourite thing about sport?

A: The physical side of it.

Q: Do you have a favourite team or athlete? Why do you like them?

A: I don't have any favourites.

Training & Skills-

Q: Which skill are you most proud of in your sport?

A: Being able to kick the ball really far in football.

Q: Which skill are you working hard to improve right now?

A: I'm trying to improve my speed.

Q: Do you have any special routines or warm-up moves you like to do before playing?

A: Not really.



Memorable Moments-

Q: What's the best sporting moment you've had so far?

A: Scoring my first goal.

Q: Have you ever faced a challenge in sport? How did you overcome it?

A: I haven't faced any yet.

Fun & Personal-

Q: If you could invent a new sport, what would it be like?

A: I'd invent a sport in which everyone wins.

Q: What's your go to snack after training or a match?

A: Dried mango.

Looking ahead-

Q: What is one goal you have for this season?

A: To go to a live match in a stadium.



PE Days Reminder

Please make sure children come to school in PE kit on their designated PE days:

- **Kestrels:** Tuesdays and Fridays
- **Hawks:** Thursdays and Fridays
- **Buzzards:** Wednesday and Fridays (Forest school)
- **Eagles:** Wednesdays and Fridays
- **Owls:** Mondays and Thursdays



Summer Term Clubs

Clubs will start the week beginning 27th April and will run until Thursday 25th June.

Monday – Y3/4/5/6 Athletics with Mrs Mylechreest and Mr Bird

Thursday – Y4/5/6 Cricket with Mrs Hughes and Mrs Catt

Thursday – Y1/2 Multi-Skills with Mr Muskett

Thursday – Y3/4/5/6 Nature club with Mrs Southgate



Special Request

We're asking our school community to help support our sports programme by donating any old shin pads or football boots that are no longer in use. These items can make a big difference for students who may not have access to the right equipment, helping everyone take part with confidence and safety. If you have any spare gear in good condition, please consider sending it into school—your contribution will be greatly appreciated.

Also, with so much sporting events happening at Thrupp, it is imperative that any kit we give out comes back in to school. We are definitely missing some of our football kit and some of the blue shirts with Thrupp written on the back. This will be very much appreciated.

✿ Sporting Achievements Outside of School

At Thrupp, we love to celebrate all the ways our children stay active and engaged with sport – both in and out of school. A huge well done to everyone who's been taking part in clubs, matches, and competitions!



Penny

Penny had a tap exam last month and she achieved a distinction! Thrupp are so proud of how well she has done. She worked really hard to prepare for the exam and kept that beautiful smile throughout! She's only been dancing with Ballyhoo since last September so it's an amazing achievement. Go Penny!! Keep dancing!

Dorothy

Dorothy has been going to drama classes for about 3 years now. She goes to a group called 'Little Wonders'. Recently she played the lead role in a play called 'Monkey Mind' based on a children's book. Dorothy played the lead role about a girl who found it difficult to sleep at night because of all the thoughts in her head. She found ways to calm her monkey mind, enabling her to finally sleep! Thrupp are very proud of you Dorothy, keep up the good work!!

If your child has a sporting success you'd like to share, please let us know so we can include it in the next newsletter!

★ Sports Star of the Month

This month, the award goes to **Sammy**. He has been a huge factor in all of our sporting success at Thrupp, a fantastic sports ambassador and a great role model to other pupils. This month, he helped us win the Hockey festival, has been part of our ever-improving netball squad and also displayed fantastic leadership and caring during the TK basketball festival. Keep it up Sammy!!



Thanks for reading and keep moving,

Mr. Bird

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