



THRYBERGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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HEADTEACHER: Mrs R Parry-McDermott

3rd September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a brand-new school year! I hope you all had a wonderful, restful summer break filled with fun, sunshine and special moments with family and friends. It has been an absolute joy to welcome the children back into school, seeing their smiling faces and hearing all about their summer adventures.

We are so excited for the year ahead! Our team has been working hard to prepare engaging, creative, and inspiring learning opportunities for all our pupils. From exploring new subjects to building strong friendships, we are looking forward to watching every child shine, grow, and achieve great things throughout 2026 and 2027.

We Are Here to Support You

At our school, we pride ourselves on being warm, welcoming, and approachable. We know that children thrive best when home and school work closely together. If you ever have a query, feel worried about anything, or feel that you or your child need extra support, please never hesitate to speak with us.

Your child's class teacher is always the first port of call. They know your child best during the school day and are best placed to help with day-to-day questions or initial concerns.

Should you ever need to talk further or feel you need additional guidance, please contact the school office to book an appointment with us. Our doors are always open, and we are always here to listen and help.

Important Dates for Your Diary (2026–2027)

Term & Holiday Dates

Holiday	Last Day in School	Re-opens
Autumn Start	—	Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Autumn Half Term	Friday 23rd October 2026	Tuesday 3rd November 2026
Christmas	Thursday 17th December 2026 (<i>half day</i>)	Monday 4th January 2027
Spring Half Term	Friday 12th February 2027	Tuesday 23rd February 2027

Holiday	Last Day in School	THRYBERGH PRIMARY SCHOOL Re-opens Oldgate Lane, Thrybergh, Rotherham, S65 4JG
Easter	Thursday 25th March 2027	Monday 12th April 2027 HEADTEACHER: Mrs R Parry-McDermott
May Day	Friday 30th April 2027	Tuesday 4th May 2027
Summer Half Term	Friday 28th May 2027	Monday 7th June 2027
Summer Break	Wednesday 21st July 2027 (half day)	—

INSET Days (School Closed to Pupils)

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Monday 2nd November 2026
- Friday 18th December 2026 (*disaggregated*)
- Monday 22nd February 2027
- Friday 25th June 2027

Autumn Events & Celebrations

- **Harvest Festival:** Wednesday 21st October at 2:00pm
- **Christmas Plays (Tuesday 15th December):**
 - **Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5, and 6):** 10:00am
 - **Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2):** 1:30pm
 - **Early Years (EYFS):** Details for a special Christmas event will be confirmed soon!
- **Christmas Fayre:** We are hoping to hold our annual Christmas Fayre again this year! An event like this relies on the kindness of our school community, and we would really appreciate parent volunteers to help us organise it. If you would be interested in lending a hand, please get in touch with **Mrs Platts**.

Further information about upcoming events will be sent out over the coming weeks, so please keep an eye out for updates.

School Uniform and PE Kit Reminders

Wearing full school uniform fosters a sense of pride and community among our children. We believe our uniform should be affordable and accessible for all families; branded items (school logos on tops) are optional and plain alternatives can be purchased from any local retailer.

- **Main Uniform:** A plain royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan (logo optional), plain white shirt or polo shirt, and plain black or grey trousers, skirt, pinafore, or tailored shorts (or blue-and-white checked summer dress). Please ensure footwear consists of flat, plain black shoes or plain black trainers.
- **PE Kit:** For health and hygiene reasons, pupils require a change of clothes for PE. This includes a plain white round-neck t-shirt, plain black PE shorts, and trainers or pumps. As outdoor games take place throughout the year, a plain black or navy tracksuit is essential. (*Please note that leggings are not permitted for PE*).
- **Community Uniform Bank:** We also participate in a Trust-wide Uniform & Clothing Bank offering high-quality new and pre-loved items, ensuring a sustainable way to recycle uniform items.

Please make sure **all clothing items are clearly named** so lost items can easily find their way back to their owner! You can read our full policy on our website at thryberghprimary.org/parents/uniform/.



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A Reminder About School Attendance

Good attendance is crucial for your child's educational progress, well-being, and social development. Being in school every day ensures that children do not miss out on vital learning steps or social connections with their peers.

- **Persistent Absence:** A child is classed as a 'persistent absentee' if their attendance falls to **90% or below**, regardless of whether the absences are authorised or unauthorised. Missing just 10% of school adds up to half a day of missed learning every single week, or around four full weeks across a school year.

We monitor attendance closely and want to work with you to ensure your child reaches their full potential. If you ever face challenges getting your child to school on time or regularly, please talk to us so we can support you in the best way we are able.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, dedication, and partnership. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful school community, and we are confident that together, we will make this an amazing year filled with happiness, growth, and great achievements!

Warmest regards,
Mrs Parry-McDermott