

Thurcroft Junior Academy

July 2026



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Term Dates for 2025-2026

Term	Start Date	Finish Date
Summer Half Term 2	Monday 1 st June 2026	Friday 17 th July 2026
Note: Term dates for next academic year below.		

INSET Days 2025/26
Monday 20th July 2026

Important dates for Summer Term

Date	Activity
7 th July - Y4 York Trip	7 th July - Y4 York Trip
14 th July - Y6 Leavers Show (PM)	14 th July - Y6 Leavers Show (1:30PM)
17 th July - Break up (2pm)	17 th July - Break up (2pm)



Principal's Message

As we come to the end of another successful academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents, carers and families for your continued support. Your partnership with us plays such an important role in the success of our children, and we are incredibly grateful for everything you do throughout the year.

This time of year is always one of celebration, reflection and change. We would like to say a heartfelt farewell to Mrs Booker, who is leaving Thurcroft Junior Academy to take on an exciting new challenge. We thank her for her dedication and commitment to our school community and wish her every success for the future.

We also wish Miss Maloney all the very best as she begins her maternity leave. We know she has an exciting time ahead, and we look forward to welcoming her back in the future.

To our wonderful foundations and Year 6 pupils, we are incredibly proud of everything you have achieved during your time at Thurcroft Junior Academy. As you take the next step in your academic journey, we wish you every success and happiness. Remember to work hard, believe in yourselves and embrace every opportunity that comes your way. You will always be a valued part of the TJA family.

We are also delighted to welcome back Mrs McDonald, our Assistant Vice Principal, who returns to Year 4 following her successful secondment at Aston Academy. Alongside this, we are pleased to welcome Mrs Walker, our Vice Principal, who will be joining the Year 3 team. We know they will both make a fantastic contribution to the continued success of our school.

Finally, on behalf of everyone at Thurcroft Junior Academy, I would like to wish all of our families a safe, happy and restful summer holiday. We hope you enjoy spending time together, making special memories and returning refreshed for another exciting year.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

Have a wonderful summer!
Ruth Stone
Principal



Attendance and Punctuality

A polite reminder that our school day begins when the gate opens at **8:30am**. Any pupil who arrives after **8:45am** will need to enter via the school reception.

Attendance at TJA

Whole School Attendance so far this half term:

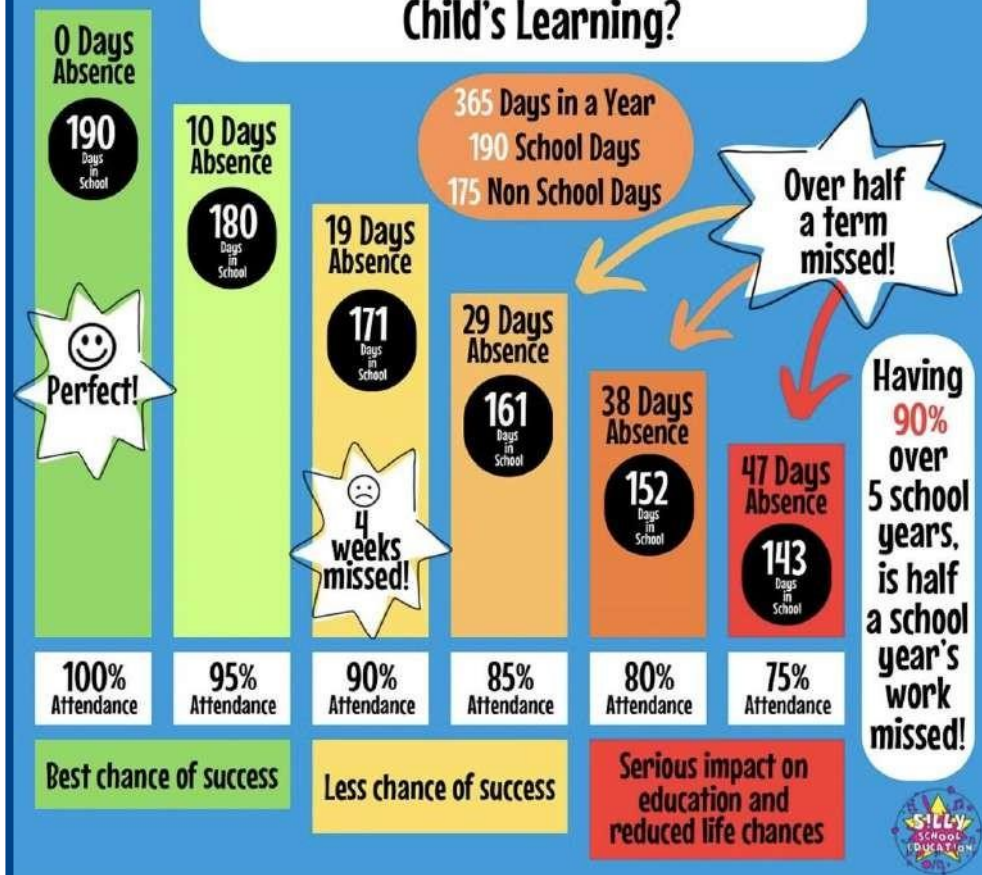
96%

Best class this half term:

Sunbirds – 96.8%

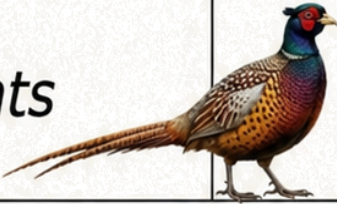
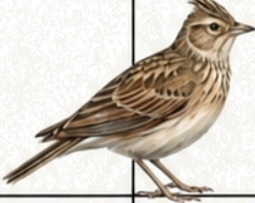
Can we work together to beat our school target of 96.6%?

How Does School Attendance Affect a Child's Learning?



Please be reminded that you must ring in **each day** of your child's absence. You can do this by either ringing the school office on **01709 543194** or leaving a message on the absence line. Please ensure to contact school **before 9am**.

*Our classes for the 2026/2027
academic year!*

<i>Y3 - Canaries</i>		<i>Miss Cosford</i>
<i>Y3 - Crows</i>		<i>Mrs Walker</i>
<i>Y4 - Swans</i>		<i>Mrs McDonald</i>
<i>Y4 - Pheasants</i>		<i>Mrs Frith</i>
<i>Y4 - Kingfishers</i>		<i>Teacher TBC</i>
<i>Y5 - Skylarks</i>		<i>Miss Nettleton</i>
<i>Y5 - Penguins</i>		<i>Miss Baldwin</i>
<i>Y6 - Barn Owls</i>		<i>Mr Sharpley</i>
<i>Y6 - Snowy Owls</i>		<i>Mrs Moore</i>



2026–2027 TERM DATES

TERM	DATES
AUTUMN 1	TUESDAY 1 ST SEPTEMBER 2026 – FRIDAY 23 RD OCTOBER 2026
AUTUMN 2	MONDAY 2 ND NOVEMBER 2026 – FRIDAY 18 TH DECEMBER 2026
SPRING 1	MONDAY 4 TH JANUARY 2027 – FRIDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY 2027
SPRING 2	MONDAY 22 ND FEBRUARY 2027 – THURSDAY 25 TH MARCH 2027
SUMMER 1	MONDAY 12 TH APRIL 2027 – FRIDAY 28 TH MAY 2027
SUMMER 2	MONDAY 7 TH JUNE 2027 – WEDNESDAY 21 ST JULY 2027

INSET DAYS

The academy is closed to pupils on
the following dates:

01.09.26	05.10.26
23.10.26	30.11.26
15.03.27	05.07.27

BANK HOLIDAYS

The academy is closed for bank holidays on
the following dates:

 Good Friday Friday 26 March 2027	 Early May Bank Holiday Monday 3 May 2027
 Easter Monday Monday 29 March 2027	 Spring Bank Holiday Monday 31 May 2027

TJA's Good News!

Foundations

The children have had a great month in our Foundations setting. They have continued to enjoy exploring and becoming independent in the classroom. Take a look at what we have been up to!



Year 3

Year 3 particularly enjoyed a fantastic performance inspired by Little Red Riding Hood, with a powerful message at its heart.



Year 4

We were very sad to have to cancel sports day due to the weather. The summer term is jam packed and unfortunately, we were unable to facilitate an alternative date. However, all children have had a sports day this week and had a fantastic time.



Year 5

Take a look at the Year 5's giving England support!



Year 6

Year 6 - WOW! What a trip! Hopefully a residential you will never forget. Despite the hot weather, you have been fantastic. So many wonderful memories have been made with all of your friends. Thank you for an unforgettable 3 days.



Let's
stay safe
in the sun!

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THE WEATHER IS GETTING HOTTER!

To keep everyone **safe and happy** during playtimes, please help your child come prepared for the sunshine.



SUN CREAM

Please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school.
Long-lasting sun cream is recommended.



SUN HATS

Sun hats are encouraged to help protect faces and heads from the sun.



SUNGLASSES

Sunglasses can be brought to school for playtimes to protect eyes from bright sunlight.



LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO KEEP
OUR CHILDREN SAFE AND ENJOYING
THE SUNNY DAYS!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



A reminder of key uniform expectations:

- *Blazers and ties are no longer required*
- *Yellow polo shirts can be worn*
- *White t-shirt for indoor PE (non-branded)*
- *Black long-sleeved top or hoodie for outdoor PE (non-branded)*
- *Grey cardigan may be worn instead of a jumper.*



Please note that false nails are not permitted at our school and should be removed.



- Trainers must be solid black only.
- No contrasting or bright colors are allowed.
- No bright brand logos (see image).
- Soles and stitching should also be black.

Please note that trainers with prominent logos, contrasting soles, or multi-colored patterns are not permitted at our school and will be disallowed.



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★ **THANK YOU!** ★

**TO ALL OUR
THURCROFT JUNIOR ACADEMY
FAMILIES!**

**WE RAISED
OVER
£700!**

**CROSSBAR
CHALLENGE**

**A HUGE HIT
AND GREAT
FUN FOR ALL!**

**SOAK THE
TEACHER**
SPLASHING FUN
FOR A GREAT
CAUSE!

**BAKE SALE
DONATIONS**
SO MANY
DELICIOUS
TREATS! ♥♥

♥ **WE ARE INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL FOR
YOUR GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT.** ♥



**SUPPORT OUR
CHILDREN'S
LEARNING**



**CREATE AMAZING
EXPERIENCES AND
ENRICHMENT**



**BUILD A STRONGER
SCHOOL
COMMUNITY**

★ **THANK YOU!** ★
WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU.

HERE'S TO MORE INCREDIBLE THINGS TOGETHER!

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