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# VIKING DAY

On Viking Day, Year 5 had an exciting visitor who came to school to tell us all about the Vikings! At first, we were very confused because we could not understand him at all! He was speaking in Old Norse, which had a few words that were similar to English. He told us that his grandfather was born in Norway and he taught us how to say some Norse words







During the brilliant day, we also looked at Viking gods such as Thor, Odin and Freya, and we learned all about their family trees. Later on, we sat around a campfire while he told us a gripping story about Thor and Loki. We also got to see some real ancient objects and treasures. He explained what each item was and why it was important in Viking times. We were allowed to pass them around to have a closer look, and some of us even got to try them on!

The best part of the day for everyone was the epic battle. "I really liked it when we all fought in the battle," said Freddie. We were split into two huge armies and were trained to create a shield wall to defend ourselves from flying spears. Overall, Viking Day was a fun and exciting day full of history, dressing up, storytelling and battles!



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## Meet the Head teacher

Amelie, Delta and Layla had the opportunity to interview Mrs Patterson to find out all her favourite things and more about why she loves Thackley so much!



**What is your favourite thing about Thackley?**

My favourite thing about Thackley is the children and the whole team who work here with me!

**Why did you want to become a headteacher?**

I wanted to become a headteacher because I love teaching. Instead of making an impact on just 30 children, I get to make an impact on 465 children instead!

**If you weren't a headteacher, what would you be?**

I would probably still be a teacher because I love teaching so much. However, I did also want to be a journalist when I was younger.

**What is your favourite film?**

My favourite movies are The Holiday, Notting Hill and Harry Potter.

**How many books do you have?**

I have hundreds of books, I love reading and I also really enjoy listening to audiobooks!

**What is your favourite book and why?**

My favourite books are the Harry Potter series. I absolutely love the books, the films, and the audiobooks! I also enjoy The Famous Five when I was young because I loved reading about their adventures.

**What was your favourite subject at school?**

My favourite subject at school was English because I love reading to myself and to others.

**What is your favourite animal?**

My favourite animals would have to be cats and dogs, but I love almost all animals—except for spiders! I have two cats and a dog.

**What is your favourite chocolate?**

My favourite chocolate is anything made by Dairy Milk. I love the taste and I also love that the packaging is purple! Having said that, I do also love a box of Maltesers.

**What are you most looking forward to seeing in the Thackley Star?**

I am most looking forward to seeing the stories that the children write about our school and everything we are doing here at Thackley.

# The Great North Run



Annie and Danya had the pleasure of interviewing Mrs McCruden this week to find out about her journey in the Great North Run half marathon. We are delighted to share it with you all and we hope you enjoy reading it!

**Which charity did you run for?**

I ran for a charity called Tommy's and raised £200.

**What motivated you the most?**

The big crowds all the way along! People were cheering and making banners. They gave out sweets as you were running, and shouting out your name really kept me motivated.

**Did you see anyone famous?**

I saw Dan Burn and I high-fived him at the start line!

**What time did you complete it in?**

I did it in 3 hours, 30 minutes, and 20 seconds.

**Who did you run with?**

I ran by myself! Well, I went with my husband, but he left me at the start line because he is faster than me.

**How did you feel when you finished?**

Very, very relieved!

**What was the hardest part about it?**

The hardest part for me was the last mile. You turn the corner and see the seafront, so you think it's the end, but there is still a whole mile left to go!

**Was there a big crowd? Did it help?**

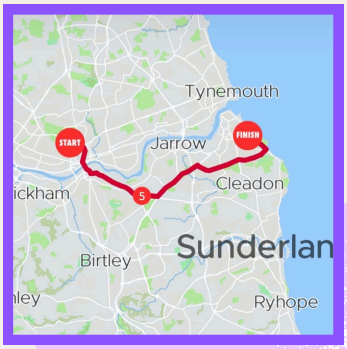
Yes, there was a huge crowd and there were so many people there.

**How many steps did you do?**

I did about 33,000 steps throughout the whole thing.

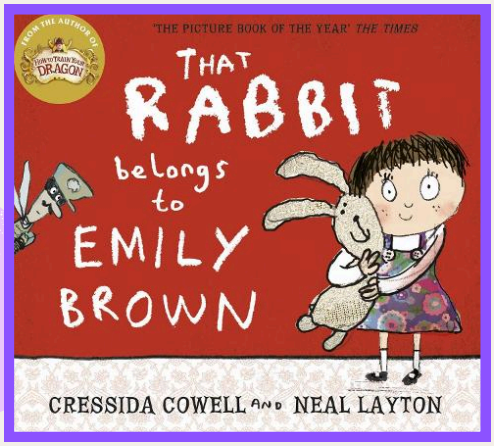
**How many miles was it?**

It was 13.1 miles, which is 21 kilometres.



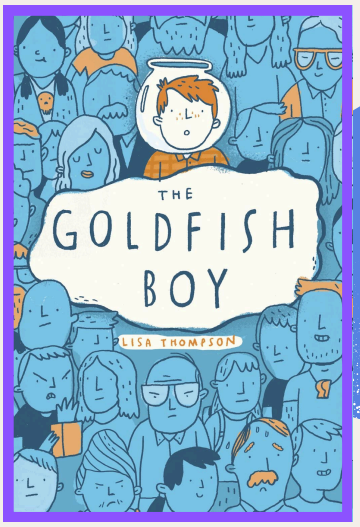
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## This weeks book recommendations



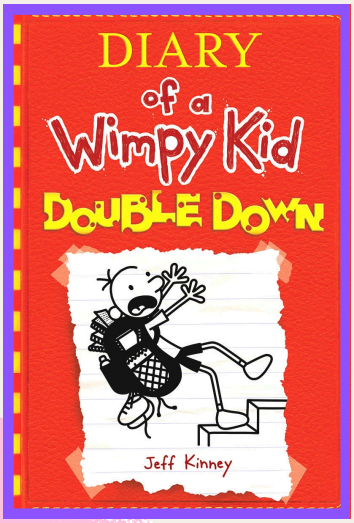

Emily Brown has a teddy called Stanley but he goes missing! Did someone steal him? But his name is not bunnywunny... this a funny story that everyone could enjoy. Ages 3+

★★★★★ *Matilda*




The Goldfish boy is about a boy called Matthew who loves everything sparkley and clean and watches out of his window observing everything. One day, the toddler next door goes missing and he wants to help find him. I'd recommend this book for Year 5+

★★★★ *Matilda*




I recommend 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid'. The main character, Greg Heffley, is guaranteed to get a laugh out of you! What's more is there are so many of these books, but the one I'd recommend most is 'Double Down', and I think it is best for KS2.

★★★★★ *Lucy*

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This week, Lottie and Evan have written two lovely poems all about our amazing school!

## The best school in Bradford



*At the bottom of Town Lane is my school,*
*It's really old and the teachers rule,*
*I love this place it's so much fun,*
*I feel like I've been there since I was one!*
*I see my friends every single day,*
*We work really hard but always play,*
*I will miss Thackley when I'm gone*
*but the memories I have will always live on.*

By Lottie 5H

## School life



*School is a place filled with dreams and light,*
*School is where we learn to read and write.*
*We laugh with friends every day,*
*They help us learn along the way.*
*Helping, sharing and being kind to,*
*Getting along is the thing to do.*
*Teachers guide us with great care,*
*They teach us to be respectful and share.*
*School can sometimes feel hard and long,*
*But in the end it helps us grow strong.*
*So every lesson that we do,*
*Is building a bright future for me and you.*

By Evan 5H

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## Thackley Football

Over the last few weeks James has been holding football trials for Upper KS2 (Year 5 & 6). James said 'I am excited to build the teams and I hope we will have a good chance of winning!' He also told us it has been a tough decision as lots of children tried out but unfortunately only so many can make the team.



## Quiz

1. What is the 14th letter of the alphabet?
2. In what school year do you become 'Upper Key Stage 2'?
3. What year do you do Space Camp?
4. What is the road called that Thackley Primary School is on?
5. What are the 3 residentials we go on at Thackley?
6. When was Thackley Primary School built?
7. How many stripes are on the Thackley rainbow?
8. What is the name of the newspaper?
9. What is the brand of glue sticks we use at school?
10. What time is lunch for Year 6?

If you think you know the answers, write them down and pass them to Delta or Amelie to check!