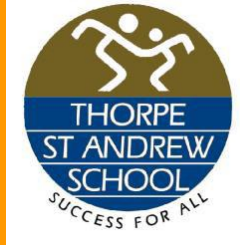


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ARE you showing you ARE?

Aspirational by being purposeful and calm at the end of lessons  
Respectful by demonstrating basic manners by following instructions  
Engaged by being punctual and attending every lesson

## We ARE Thorpe and #WeAREBackBetter

Our students continue to demonstrate that #WeAREbackbetter as they engage with their learning and aim for excellence in all they do while coping with ongoing social distancing in and out of the classroom. They are a credit to our community.



P. Biguell

## We ARE Thorpe and we ARE Back Better

This week we have rewarded our amazing students over 11,000 times. This is a fantastic achievement, well done everyone! We thank everyone who has contributed positively to our school community this week. Our focus this week was again on Respect: following instructions and using kind and considerate language. This week has also seen some significant personal achievements as some students have passed the level needed to receive the Diamond Award for over 600 ARE+ Points.

We have high expectations of students, as I am sure our community would want us to. We celebrate when they achieve but also work with students when they make bad choices. Therefore, we would ask that we all continue to reinforce the message that hoodies are not allowed and mobile phones should be switched off on arrival and placed in the school bag.

Mr Lambert



Year 7 Reports are available to view on My Child at School.

**Curriculum in Schools** In recent times you may have read a lot about the curriculum in schools and its importance. So, what is the curriculum?

The curriculum is the total package a young person experiences in school from the academic subjects to the pastoral curriculum delivered in form time. It also encompasses our extra curricular provision to truly develop interests and talents.

The word "curriculum" derives from a Roman word for the route of a race. A curriculum takes our students on a journey and as with all journeys we need a destination in mind.

To this end we have developed our curriculum intent as a school. Thinking deeply about what and how we want our young people to learn on their journey with us and who we want them to be. It includes our aspirations for our students during their journey at school and beyond when they have left us.

Our curriculum intent can be found via this [LINK](#).

## Parents of students in Year 11/12 who are considering applying to University of Oxford or Cambridge

If your child is considering applying to the University of Cambridge or Oxford, you may be wondering how to support your child with their application and how best to help them.

Our link college at University of Cambridge, Gonville and Caius, will be holding a talk for parents on Thursday 20 May 2021. It is specifically designed for parents and carers of potential applicants. This one hour session will introduce the application process and provide attendees with tips for how best they can support their children.

If you are interested in this talk, please sign up via this [LINK](#) by Wednesday 19 May 2021.

## Attention Year 11 and 13 Students!

From May onwards, the vacancies on Apprenticeship schemes begin to appear in advertisements and on web searches. It is now the time to begin your search for that amazing apprenticeship that will be the first step on an awesome journey.



Thorpe students have taken up apprenticeships in a number of businesses, ranging from business, accountancy and finance, to carpentry and boat building. Destinations have included Lovewell Blake, the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, Lotus, and Jaguar Landrover!

An apprenticeship is a real job where you learn, gain experience and get paid. You are an employee with a contract of employment and holiday leave. By the end of an apprenticeship, you will have the right skills and knowledge needed for your chosen career.

Miss Emmerson receives regular updates on the vacancies that come on stream. Watch out for her posts in the Careers Google Classrooms, or follow the Thorpe Careers Twitter feed. The number of Apprenticeship vacancies is increasing on a weekly basis.

Find out more on the Apprenticeships Norfolk website via this [LINK](#), or take a look at Amazing Apprenticeships as they have a dedicated Parents' information page via this [LINK](#).

Get in touch with the Careers Team via our email address, [careersadvice@yare-edu.org.uk](mailto:careersadvice@yare-edu.org.uk), especially if you want to talk with Miss Emmerson, or follow us on Twitter @tsascareers





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**Helping children believe they can do anything**

Singing, dancing and acting classes for 4 - 18 year-olds

www.stagecoach.co.uk/norwich  
norwich@stagecoach.co.uk  
07765793793

Venue: Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form, NR7 0XS

**Saturday**

STAGE COACH  
Creative Courage For Life

CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

## After School Clubs

We are delighted to be able to offer the following clubs:

- Monday - Year 7 - Tennis, Rounders, Cricket and Athletics**
  - Wednesday - Year 9 - Tennis, Rounders, Cricket and Athletics**
  - Wednesday - Year 7 Computing Club - N12 from 3.15 pm to 4.15 pm**
  - Thursday - Year 8 - Tennis, Rounders, Cricket and Athletics**
- PE Clubs are open to all students and run from 3.15 pm to 4.15 pm. You will need to meet at the following venues:
- Year 7 - North Hall, Year 8 - South Sports Hall, Year 9 - South Gym**

It is not too late to join a club, anyone is still welcome. Please sign up in your PE lessons, or come along on your designated day where we will take a list of names for track and trace purposes.

We hope to see lots of you next week.

## Tennis Finals



Our Under 18 boys beat Framlingham College without losing a match. They are now just two wins from the National finals. Well done to Fred Withers, Matt Tink, Barnaby Taylor and Gregor Bradley.

**TESTING** Please support your child to complete their COVID-19 tests twice weekly. Please email [trackandtrace-tsa@yare-edu.org.uk](mailto:trackandtrace-tsa@yare-edu.org.uk) if your child has a positive test. You must inform the school via this email address to enable close contact with other students to be identified and followed up and confirmed cases also need to be reported to Public Health England.

**DO NOT FORGET TO COMPLETE YOUR COVID-19 TEST TWICE WEEKLY**

Students know how to perform the test and information will be provided in the kit available. You can also watch a short video demonstration on how to take the test via this [LINK](#).

Results must be reported to the NHS, so please follow the instructions in the booklet and report to [www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result](http://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result). If you get a negative result, continue as normal following National guidance including regular handwashing, social distancing and wearing face coverings. Please follow this [LINK](#) to see a short video on how we can all help stop the spread of the virus.

If the test is POSITIVE it means the person could be infected with Coronavirus and risk infecting others. When you report the results you will be provided with further information on the next steps to take.

If any student experiences symptoms of COVID-19 they **MUST NOT** attend school until they have had a negative test. Please follow the [LINK](#) for COVID-19 symptoms and what you will need to do.

You and anyone who lives with you and anyone in your support bubble **MUST SELF ISOLATE** in accordance with current National guidance for 10 days. All positive results from rapid tests undertaken at home do need to be confirmed with a standard PCR test. This is because these tests are not conducted in a controlled environment and will not have trained staff on hand. Following a positive LFD test at home, a confirmatory PCR test should be booked online or by calling 119. Whilst awaiting the PCR result, the student and their close contacts should self-isolate. If the PCR test is negative, it overrides the self-test LFD test (at home only).

## Year 11 Transition Programme to Thorpe St Andrew Sixth Form

- Tuesday 8 June 2021** - Virtual Transition Day
- Tuesday 8 June 2021 to Monday 5 July 2021** - Bridging Course
- Early July** - Applicant Day
- Summer Term** - Passport to Sixth Form



**Summer** - Transition Work  
**Monday 6 September 2021** - Your first Sixth Form Day



- Launch of our Online Transition Programme for the new Year 7s (2021)- Tuesday 18 May 2021**
- Year 11 last day of school lessons - Tuesday 25 May 2021 at 3.05 pm**
- Year 13 - Thursday 27 May 2021**
- New Year 12 Virtual Transition Day - Tuesday 8 June 2021**
- Last day of Summer Term - Tuesday 20 July 2021 3.05 pm**

Please follow this [LINK](#) to view the School Calendar