



# Our Place

## Issue 4 What's new?



### Go-kart track

Every Friday in the summer there will be a go-kart challenge with Joe on our brand new track.

The track will be available to use every day throughout the summer holidays, but with some added activities each week. The first Friday will kick us off with the Thomley Grand Prix, followed by weeks of time trials, beat the Thomley Stig and much more. Have a look at the summer planner for the full range of karting activities.

Think you can post the quickest lap of summer? The fastest won't only win a prize, but will be named the Thomley Stig!

### Thomley Mud Kitchen...

Some of you may have already found our exciting mud kitchen, which is near the soft tarmac. If you haven't, then you must go and take a look and of course, make your very own mud pie!

Be sure to share your creations with us on Facebook throughout the summer, there will be a prize for the best mud masterpiece which we will announce in the next newsletter.



# Upcoming workshops...



**Camping - Friday 3rd to Saturday 4th July**

**Watermelon eating competition - Thursday 23rd July, 2pm**

**Tie dye and hair braiding with Anna - Friday 24th July**

**Amate Animalia - Tuesday 28th July, 1-3pm**  
A variety of animals at Thomley

**Woodwork with Paul - Thursday 30th July**

**Cricket - Friday 31st July, 1:30pm**

**Giant rocket building - Saturday 1st August, 11:30am**

**Golf - Friday 7th August, 10:30am**

**Ignite Sports - Monday 10th August**  
Quidditch, cheerleading and football

**Thomley water fight - Tuesday 11th August**

**Umbanda drumming - Thursday 13th & Friday 14th August**

**Ignite Sports - Thursday 20th August**  
Archery, boccia and futsal

**Golf - Friday 21st August, 10:30am**

**Woodwork with Paul - Friday 21st August**

**Ignite Sports - Monday 24th August**  
Gymnastics, ultimate frisbee and football

**Lionel the Train - various dates**  
After being a poorly train, Lionel is back and ready to take you around the Thomley track. Look out for him in this year's holiday planner as he makes many trips in the summer.





# Filming day - Friday 24th July



We have been given an amazing opportunity - to make a video about our work so that we can reach more families that may need us. Our patron Ken Bruce will record the voiceover and the film will be posted online, shown at events and may even feature on the news..!

We are keen to capture footage that shows a typical day at the centre and we hope our families will be a part of this by coming along to play on Friday 24th July and agreeing to be filmed.

During the filming everyone will have the normal access to our facilities and in afternoon there will be some extra group activities to enjoy - football, story time and possibly a music workshop too. Thomley staff will be on hand as usual to help you feel at ease and use the space as you would ordinarily.

Are you happy to represent us on Friday 24th July? If you would like to take part and are willing to be filmed, please call Courtney and book on: 01844 338380



## Wish list

**We try to keep our costs to a minimum. If there are any things on the list below you are able to donate, you'd be saving us money and we would be very grateful:**

Plastic storage boxes	Wild flower seeds
Sewing needles, thread & embroidery hoops	Small mosaic tiles
Clear plastic bottles	Single fitted bed sheets
Cardboard tubes (not toilet rolls)	Blankets
Sand-pit toys	Single bed mattresses
X box games & controllers	Clothes, age 8yrs to adult
Minecraft, Warhammer, Mario, Adventure time, Phineas & Pherb, Transformers and Harry potter toy characters	Old typewriter
Old kitchen utensils	Large digital clock
Metal teapot	Large egg timer
Pots and pans	Glass jars with lids
Old toaster	Shelving
Brightly coloured decorative cushions	Metal / plastic cups
Cans / jars	Jelly moulds
	Hanging wicker baskets
	Large pestle and mortar
	Baking trays, cake tins etc.
	Cardboard boxes – large and medium
	Bowls, egg cups, plates
	Newspapers

## Book now

**Remember that booking is essential. Please email Courtney: [bookings@thomley.org.uk](mailto:bookings@thomley.org.uk) or call her on: 01844 338380**

**Some families are forgetting to book. It's important we know how many people are due each day so we have enough staff on site.**

**We are now taking bookings for the Summer holidays, Saturdays, pre-school days, adult days and Youth Club, for August and September.**

For the details of all upcoming activities, see our activity planner. And teenagers, don't forget to see what's on offer for you in your very own planner.

## Sensory garden update...

On our last Newsletter we asked you if you were a budding Gardener... Big thank you to those of you who responded and have either donated items, flowers, equipment or your time, we really appreciate it.

It's not too late to help us with this project. If you've been too busy but are still interested in supporting us, please contact Hayley: hayley@thomley.org.uk or call her on: 01844 338380 ext. 102

## We're here to help...

This Summer you may meet some of our new playworkers and volunteers. They're fun to play with and are looking forward to getting to know you. And, like all of us, they're here to help you so please just ask.

When you arrive, ask Courtney who's in that day: from Joe playing football; Lauren running a cooking workshop; Sally being crafty in the art room; to Will hanging out in soft play. We're all eager to support you and get involved.



# A message from our Centre Manager

It was great to see all 248 of you that came to play over the May half term. Thank you to all the grown-ups who called up and cancelled places they no longer required, it allowed us to offer an extra 51 spaces to people who were on our waiting list.

There were too many amazing comments about the holidays to choose my favourite, so this time I just wanted to say a big thank you for loving what we do. On another note, is it really nearly the summer holidays? We are excited to show you what's going on here at Thomley. We're planning to take you on a journey through America, with days themed around the States and things that are like, totally American!

Come join us for days that include activities themed around Disney, cowboys, prom, different States, sci-fi conventions, Broadway, the beach, Nasa, Independence Day and much more.

Let's get Summer started in style with the Family Fun Day on Saturday 18th July. We can't wait to see you all in your time travelling costumes.

See you soon!

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# Family Fun Day

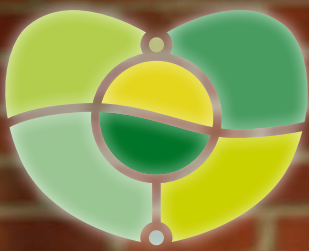
## Time Travellers' Ball - Sat 18th July

We would like to welcome you to Thomley's annual celebration event, where we get to do something extra special for our disabled visitors and their families.

Here's what's happening:

- \*Lionel the Land Train Rides: 10am-11:30am
- Disco Dome Bouncy Castle: 10am-3pm
- Junior Electric Go-karts: (for people aged 4yrs – 10yrs old ) 11am-3pm
- BBQ: 11am-1:30pm. Refreshments also available in the kitchen
- Frozen Yoghurt Van: 12.30pm-3pm
- Golf Workshop: 1pm-3pm
- \*Amazing Animals display with a monkey (as seen on TV): 1pm-3pm
- Face Paint Corner: 2pm-3:30pm

Fancy dress costumes from the past or future are welcome  
Prizes for the best three costumes!



Book now, email:  
[bookings@thomley.org.uk](mailto:bookings@thomley.org.uk)  
Or call: 01844 338380

Important additional info:

Photo consent will be requested on the day  
If you are unable to give consent please make reception aware when booking in  
\*Please note – all activities that are starred cannot be guaranteed

