

Our Place

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Festival details...

On our site map you will find: **THE MAIN STAGE**; drinks marquee which will include local ales, beer and a cocktail stall; home-made pizzas; all day BBQ; vendors and all the performers which will be announced in the coming weeks!



* Activities including - Buckets and Bongos music workshop, jumping pillow, bouncy castle, 'cosy corner', messy play tent, arts and crafts, hair braiding, physical games and activities and MORE!

* Camping availability to stay overnight!

ACCESSIVAL - accessible festival is just two months away and we have been busy planning for an amazing day! Our site map for the day has been drawn up, what do you think? Hopefully this shows the variety on offer for an exciting day of music and activities!

BOOK YOUR TICKETS FOR THE FESTIVAL:
<https://thomley.org.uk/events/festival/>



Do you have or work for a business that would like to sponsor a Thomley stall or activity at our Accessival festival? Although some activities have been sponsored, here is what remains:

- Cotton candy stall £75
- Ice cream stall £125
- Hair braiding £50
- Kids races £50
- Messy play tent £150
- Thomley play staff £100 per person
- Bongos music sponsor £200

We are also looking for a MAIN EVENT sponsor, who will be the main focus of our arrival and main stage on the day, with your name and branding throughout the festival. In return for your generous support we will put your logo in our brochure on the day of the event, publicise your support on our website and social media and your logo / banner will be on site at your sponsored stall / activity. Please contact Anna to arrange or find out further details: fundraising@thomley.org.uk



Thanks to our current sponsors...



Upcoming Workshops...



SPRING OPEN DAY - FREE ENTRY
Saturday 13th May, 10am-3pm
Open to the whole community to come and try us out!

Camping night
Friday 26th May from 4pm
Book to stay at Thomley for a whole 24 hours at our very popular camping night

Bouncy castle
Every day of May half term
Open from 10am-2pm every day, free to use as part of your entry fee.

Crocodiles of the World
Wednesday 31st May, from 1pm
One of Thomley's most popular workshops. A 40 minute talk, complete with touching a crocodile and snake!

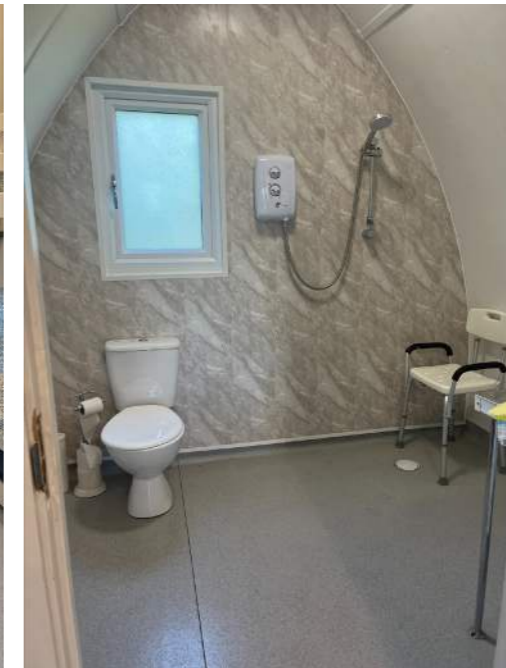
First aid for young people
Friday 2nd June, 1pm
A great workshop to teach some basic first aid to children and young people

ACCESSIVAL FESTIVAL
Saturday 8th July
Details on the Facebook event page, here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1372803006904640>

May and June pod offers...

We have availability in May at weekends, where you can book a one-night stay for any weekend.

May half term bookings are also now being taken - we are accepting one-night stays for those who may struggle with longer stays throughout the whole of the half term.



SPECIAL OFFERS

*** We are offering 10% off for all bookings in May, including half term. Use the following code when checking out on the website: 'May10'

*** We are offering a further 20% off if you / friends book all three pods for a minimum two-night stay together - contact us to arrange this offer:
campingpods@thomley.org.uk

To book your pod, please visit the website and select the first night of your stay in your selected pod, followed by the last night of your stay in your selected pod. Book here: <https://buff.ly/3uZhr6m>



Book in for May half term...



May half term is fast approaching! We look forward to seeing lots of you during the one-week break from school.

We have lots to look forward to in half term; try out the updated park, stay in our new camping area or book in for a very popular workshop - Crocodiles of the World!

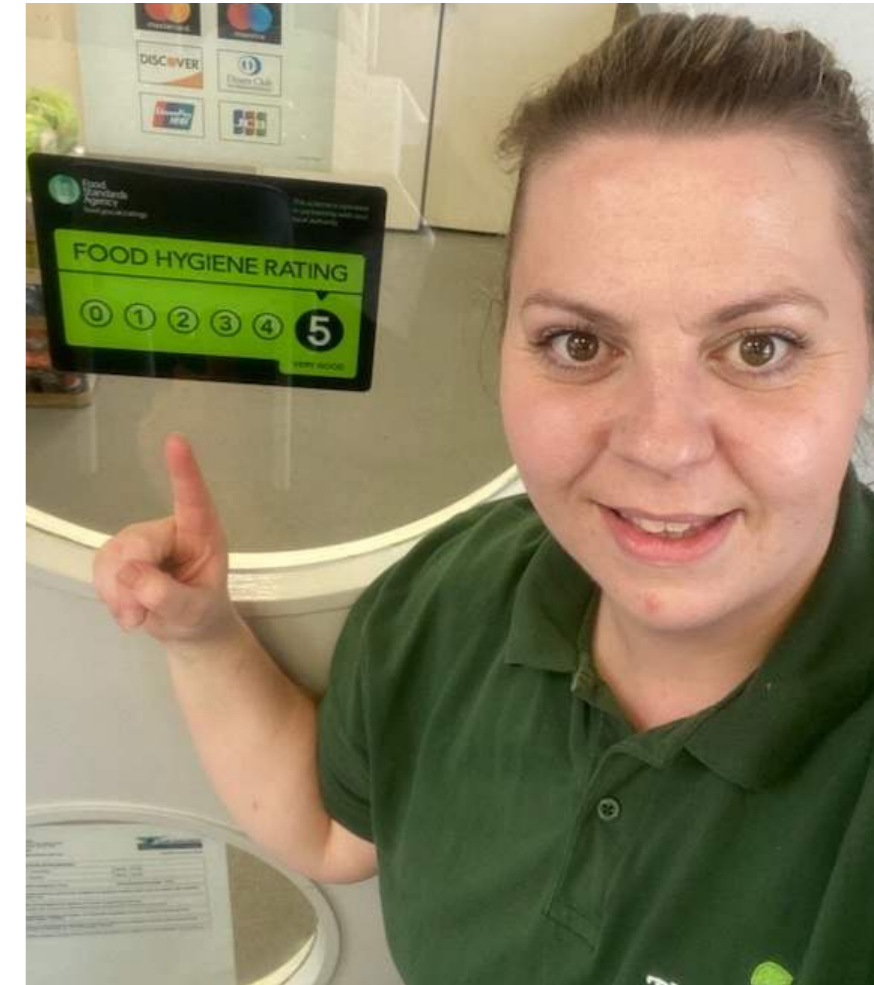
We anticipate that we will be fully booked on several days, so please book soon to avoid missing out. Book on our online calendar, here: www.thomley.org.uk/calendar/

The Thomley Cafe once again receives a 5 star review...

We are delighted to have been awarded another 5 star rating at our Environmental Health Inspection that we received this May.

Our cafe, cakes and lunches have become a central point for visitors at Thomley and we are really proud to continue offering an excellent and safe cafe service. Well done to Anna, Cat and the rest of the team for your continued hard work and for ensuring we rank so highly in the scoring system.

These are routine checks made on food businesses to ensure practice is operating safely for the general public.



We have always kept our cafe prices low and affordable for families, which was always the aim when we opened the pavilion several years ago. We do however have to make a slight increase to our cafe prices (approximately 50p added to some items). This is simply to help us cover the high running costs, particularly the stock costs which are ever-increasing. We apologise for slight increases, but after visiting several other establishments and similar settings to Thomley, we believe we still have one of the best priced cafés in our sector.

Thank you for your understanding and we hope to see you buying some cake at the cafe on your next visits.

Visitor voice; talk with us when you visit in May half term...

We are looking for families to sit down for a short period of time on the afternoon of Tuesday 30th May and Friday 2nd June to just ask you some questions about the future of our site.

We want you, our visitors to help shape the future of Thomley. This will be a short and informal session, led by a member of the Thomley team. Free cake and coffee for those who take part!

If you are booked in with your children then hopefully you can find twenty minutes to chat with us. Alternatively if you aren't booked in we would still love it if you could come along.

If you are interested please email Operations Manager Joe, on: joekitchen@thomley.org.uk



Visit our Instagram page and be sure to tag us in your Instagram stories, we love to see your Thomley photos!

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The park development has started!



You may have noticed that the park area has had some adjustments recently. Well over the last few weeks we have completed the first phase of development.

This includes new swings, new rubber mulch playground throughout and new surround fencing. Playhouses and other playground extras (see photos) are still to be installed when we receive the delivery. Sorry for any restrictions that may be in place around the park whilst works are carried out, but hopefully everything will be completed by the end of June.



The pavilion has also had a refurb...



Camping opportunities at Thomley, available this May...

We announced earlier this year that we would have some camping pitches based at the bottom of the Thomley field, these are now nearly ready and they are opening at May half term! We are now taking bookings online. Choose from a 'bring your own' tent pitch, or a pitch with a bell tent up ready for you to move in for your stay!

You can book the camping area here:

<https://thomley.org.uk/visit-us/camping-pitches/>

Our regular camping nights are also going ahead this year and the first one is on Friday 26th May.

You can book for the camping night here:

<https://thomley.org.uk/events/one-night-camping-at-thomley/>

Microsoft volunteering day..



A big thanks to David Leigh and his team from Microsoft on their hard graft at Thomley this May as part of their corporate volunteering day.

They have made a great difference by digging, painting and helping around the site; saving Thomley valuable staff time and resources.



We've registered Thomley with #easyfundraising, which means over 7,000 brands will now donate to us for FREE every time you use them to shop with.

These donations will really help, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long. Sign up here:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/thomley/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_source=social&utm_medium=facebook&utm_content=rm-gs-f1

Rumseys continue to go the extra mile!

Training is in full swing for a 22 strong team of Rumsey's employees taking part in a triathlon on Sunday 21st May for Thomley.

They will be covering a total of 344km swimming, cycling and running (fuelled by a bit of chocolate of course!). Please donate whatever you can to help keep them motivated on their journey whilst supporting us.

Fundraising page, here: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/rumseys-1680095858140>



Upcoming fundraising events...



Our Quiz with Ken Bruce on May 20th has SOLD OUT. Thanks to all who have ordered a ticket / booked a table, we can't wait!

For those who have missed out, there will still be an opportunity for you to take part. We are also selling E-Tickets for you to watch and take part from your own home. We will send the live link on the day of the event. Tickets for the live stream can be booked here:

<https://buff.ly/3Ulg2DN>

Three Horseshoes support Thomley..



We are delighted to have been nominated as Charity of the Year for The Three Horseshoes Pub in Towersey.

So far a Bingo Night raised £126 and on Tuesday 25th April our Patron Ken along with Thomley staff, Shannon and Mary attended a Quiz Night with Ken giving a wonderful speech about Thomley.

Thank you to David & Helen, for hosting such a fabulous event and to the patrons of the pub and fellow quiz teams on raising over £575.

Thame 10k Team - Sunday 25th June
Take part in a popular local 10k event and raise funds for Thomley in the process. Contact us to represent Thomley at this event: fundraising@thomley.org.uk



Later this year...

- * **Oxford Half Marathon**
Contact us NOW to book your places on our team: fundraising@thomley.org.uk
- * **Charity Ball Saturday 17th November**
Tickets available now: fundraising@thomley.org.uk
- * **Fireworks Night - Saturday October**
Tickets will be released early September!

