



Jodi's Farewell! Jodi's Farewell! Jodi's Farewell!

It is with great, great sadness that this newsletter sees me saying farewell to Thomley.

As you may know, I'm tying the knot with Thomley's Berti The Clown in November & will then be moving to live in Bavaria, Germany, as a Mrs Bertog!

My three years at Thomley have been an incredible experience & most inspirational - the warmth, the enthusiasm & the endless fun which radiates from the Centre is totally irreplaceable. I feel most privileged to have been part of Thomley's foundations & to be taking away so very many precious memories which instil great happiness & will undoubtedly shape my future.

Thomley is a most unique & thriving project & I know that it will continue to grow & achieve great things, realising the vast potential that lies behind Thomley Hall. It is with absolute confidence that I hand my jangling bunch of keys over to Claire Acworth, the new Manager - I have no doubt that she, together with Michelle, will mirror Thomley's whole ethos, will set to work with great enthusiasm and will continue offering a quality service.

And who knows, once I've learnt the language, a 'Thomley' may well spring up in Germany within the next couple of years! Watch this space...

With many thanks, lots of love and best wishes to you all, Jodi x

Please join us on Saturday 30th to help fill my last day with great memories and welcome Claire with smiley faces!

Don't forget to book in advance!



One Action-packed Summer! Thomley was a hive of activity during the 'heat' of the summer months (where was that sunshine?). 40+ children flooded through our gate each day and got stuck into music-making workshops with SoundAbout; a three-day Filming workshop with Thame Video 4All; hamma beads; badge and candle making; bouncing on bouncy castles; and making flapping seagulls, mod roc octopuses, rainbow mobiles, handprint sunshines, sparkling fish and ice cream and beach ball collages. Phewee!

Soft Play At Last! After 15 months of waiting, our soft play has finally found its home in Thomley's barn! And what a transformation: it's a striking contrast from the cobwebbed 'haunted house' last October! Come & climb the clambering mountain, jump on the musical steps, plunge into the ball pool, sit under the ball pool shower, swing from the hanging sausage, climb into the infinity hut, roll on the jungle trunks & play on the stepping stones. Guaranteed fun for both children and parents!



Thomley's Family Fun Day..... was even more successful than last year! More than 500 people dropped by from the local community & helped to raise £1,500 for Thomley. The blustery weather didn't put people off from venturing down to the pets' corner; giving their best shot at sack & relay races; tugging at tug-of-war; walking round many stalls; munching on Thomley's very own muffins & BBQ; & exploring our soft play room & sensory room!

How can Thomley be used?

When?	What?	Who?
Every Saturday	Play Day	Families of children with disabilities, as well as their friends and relatives Groups of children with disabilities (also inclusive play)
Every Tuesday and Thursday during school holidays	Play Day	Families of children with disabilities, as well as their friends and relatives Groups of children with disabilities (also inclusive play)
Every Wednesday and Friday during term time	School Day	School groups of children with Special Educational Needs
1st Saturday of the month	Community Day	Families from the local community
1st Tuesday of the month during term time	16+ Day	Adults with disabilities & their carers
2nd Tuesday of the month during term time	Pre-School Play Day	Parents and babies/toddlers from the local community
	Birthday Parties <i>Call the office for more details</i>	

Get involved.....

F.R.O.T.H.

Could you spare a few hours each month to help organise small local fundraising initiatives? If so, Friends and Relatives of Thomley Hall would love to hear from you. Please call the office on (01844) 338 380 for more information.

How well are we doing?

It's that time of year again for us to see what's working well and what developments need to be made at Thomley. To be able to improve our provision we need to be guided by both existing and potential users and your help will be most beneficial. As a user-led facility, we'd be very grateful if you could fill in the enclosed form and return it to the office.

Gift Aid.....

Each time you visit Thomley, we ask for a recommended donation.

At no extra cost to you,

your one-off **£14 donation could become £17.92** or

your annual **£90 donation could become £115.20**

Providing you're a regular UK tax payer and have completed a Gift Aid form you could help make a significant difference for Thomley. Please ask the office for a Gift Aid form.



HOW TO CONTACT US:

www.thomleyhall.org

bookings@thomleyhall.org

enquiries@thomleyhall.org

THOMLEY ACTIVITY CENTRE

MENMARSH ROAD

WORMINGHALL

BUCKS HP18 9JZ

TEL/FAX: 01844 338380