



### Building a brand new inspirational library

Since January 2018 when our architects were appointed, and the decision was made to re-house our library in the disused area under Outer Space, it has been full steam ahead to work with children, teachers and parents to come up with a child-led design that excites and delights, while getting necessary planning approval, structural surveys and building control lined up. We are now ready to go, but the library build will be phased as we seek to raise the additional funding.

Over the summer school holidays, taking advantage of the vacant playground, the first phase will take place with new foundations being laid. We hope to start the rest of the build in Autumn term, but the sooner we raise the funds, the sooner the dream library will become a reality.

### Priorities

In 18/19, we would like to raise sufficient funds to fully complete our first two projects, and then look to identify further projects that will enhance our children's school experience – the sky's the limit!

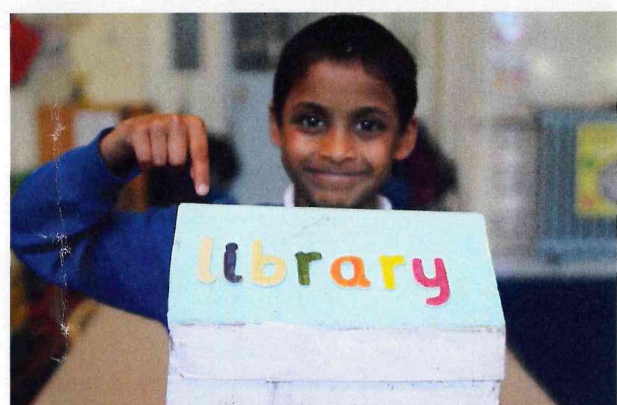
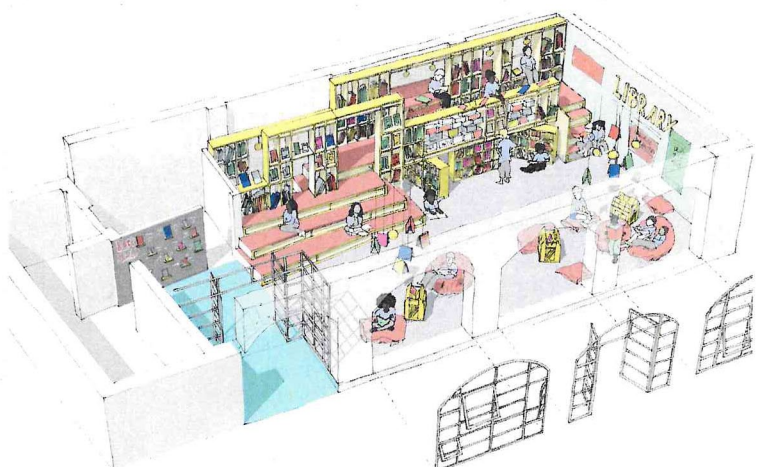
### Project donations: Parents and local community

Engagement and support from parents, friends and local community took off in our first year, and momentum has grown, as evidenced by all the incredible pledges that have been made, and the challenges and fundraisers that people are undertaking on behalf of the Thornhill Foundation. For example in September, Dan Jankowski, dad of Avery in Year 3, is cycling the length of Britain from Land's End to John O'Groats. Over nine days, he'll cycle 980 miles through 23 counties, and climb (and descend) over 52,000 ft. He's doing it for fun, but also to raise money for our new library. His fundraising page is at: [Dan's Big Bike Ride for Thornhill Foundation on MyDonate](#) if you would like to support him.

We'll continue to build on this in the upcoming year please see the back cover for ways that you can get involved and help us to make a difference.

It's great that 30 lunch donors have signed up to give back their children's lunch money – in one year that has raised over £20,000 with Gift Aid. Given the profile of our parent community, we would love to increase the number of regular donors this coming year. Imagine the difference we could make if we received the lunch money of a third of our school's children – in one year, we'd raise over 60,000! Let's aim for another 30 donors in 18/19.

Thornhill alumni is a group that we would like to target, and we will explore ideas here.



FROM TOP An early draft of the library interior design • Gareth Marriott of Jan Kattein Architects working with pupils on the library plans • The Outer Space building as it will be with our new library on the ground floor • Tawhid shows us one of the library boxes in a still from our fundraising film.