



All Things Thurlby

Dear Parents

Congratulations

Tim Certificate Winners

We would like to congratulate our Tim certificate winners for achieving their very best in a particular area of learning or for exemplary behaviour this week. Our Tim winners are:

- Reception** - Matilda and Angus
- Year 1** - Geneva-Graice and Harry
- Year 2** - Georgia and Oakley
- Year 3** - Alice and Fletcher
- Year 4** - Pippa and Ava-Rose
- Year 5** - Lucian and Chloe S
- Year 6** - Edgar and Lucy D

Attendance

Our average attendance for the 2020-21 academic year is **97.7%** which is a wonderful result and is above the national government expectations.

We have seen some classes achieving 100% attendance several times each term and today we awarded no less than **41** 100% certificates to individual children, which is an incredible achievement.





Message from our Acting Head of School

Can I start by thanking parents and carers for their patience, hard work and perseverance in supporting us to ensure your children continued to receive the best possible education throughout this academic year. September will bring a sense of 'normality', with the start of the school day being the same for all children and greater freedom with school activities and movement around the school. Our main priority is to continue to ensure the safety of all within the school, ensuring that we work within the defined parameters. We will of course keep you informed of any updates or changes as directed by the government.

We will at the start of the new academic year be sharing our priorities for the forthcoming year with parents and are eager to seek your views. As a school, we are community who seek the voice of our stakeholders and your voice as parents is important to us- keep an eye out for further details in September!

I would personally like to thank the governing body for their support throughout the year. As volunteers, they give up hours of their time to ensure our community has a school that is continually improving, self-reflective and determined to give our children the very best life chances. I am sure you will join me in thanking them for their time, dedication and commitment to the school.

A special thank you must also go to the PTFA for all their hard work and continued commitment to raise funds, in very difficult and unusual circumstances this year. The amount raised proves just how hard working and dedicated you have all been to our school and children and we are very grateful to you.

The school's successes this year is testament to the staff who have worked tirelessly to achieve the best experiences and outcomes for the children. Throughout the past 18 months, challenges have been thrown their way, but they have all been resolute in their approach to ensure that each child maximises their full potential- thank you to you all.

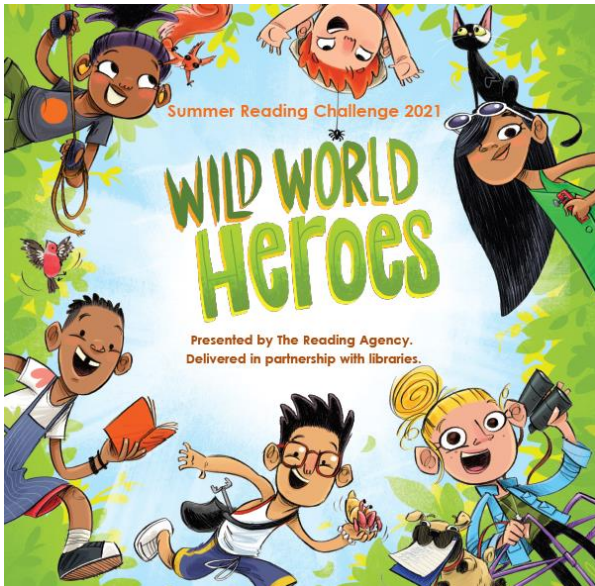
Inevitably, at this time of year, schools have some changes in regard to staffing. Miss Bristow, who has been a valued member of staff for 6 years, will be leaving us. From September, she will be starting a new position in Newquay, enjoying life by the sea! I'm sure you'll join us in thanking Miss Bristow for her loyalty to the school and wish her every success in her new post- she will be greatly missed.

We also say goodbye to Mrs Cartledge, our Year 6 teacher since the Easter break. Mrs Cartledge has provided the children with great experiences over the last two terms and has ensured that the end of primary school has been an unforgettable one for them. We have been lucky to have Mrs Cartledge as part of our school community and we send her our best wishes as she commences her new post in September.

From the sad note of members leaving, a happy day is just around the corner for one member of staff. Miss Sones will be getting married during the summer holidays and will return to school as Mrs Norbury. I'm sure the weather will be shining and that a great day will be had by all.

We do hope that you all have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer break and we look forward to greeting you once again in September, when we will continue to do our very best for all of our children.

Summer Reading Challenge 2021



For this year's Challenge The Reading Agency has partnered with WWF to create 'Wild World Heroes' which will inspire children to take action for nature and the environment. Join the Wild World Heroes for an exciting adventure in the fictional town of 'Wilderville'. Through reading books, collecting rewards and learning all about our planet, Challenge participants will help the Heroes make Wilderville a greener place to live.

With exclusive incentives to collect and plenty of brilliant books to enjoy, the Challenge is the perfect summer activity to build young readers' skills and confidence during the long break from school. The Challenge is available at the Deepings' Library and other libraries across the UK this summer. Children can also take part online through the official digital Challenge platform wildworldheroes.org.uk.

Careers Visits

Year 2 - 'Spacey Tracey' - Astrophysicist

On Monday, the children were very lucky to meet 'Spacey Tracey' (as her NASA spacesuit nametag states!) who is an astrophysicist and science teacher. The children discussed the ways science is all around us and how important it is to 'communicate science'. They learned how physics is used in unexpected places such as the curving of a football, spinning a cricket ball and even flipping a skateboard. Tracey also amazed the children with lots of fun sciences tricks including moving water from a jug to a cup with just a string. Our budding scientists were very eager to try out the science tricks on their families at home!



Year 4 -Dr Tracey Dickens, Astrophysicist

Year 4 were fascinated to learn how long Doctor Dickens had to study science for, in order to become an astrophysicist. They enjoyed the lively talk and were particularly excited by the physics 'trick' of pouring water down a string, especially as this science investigation was conducted over Miss Derbyshire's head! The class were wide-eyed; there was tension in the air and then gasps of surprise as they watched the water pouring along the string. At the end of the talk, the children were challenged to carry out some further physics fun over the summer holiday.

Hannah Gold, Author

Year 4 were excited to learn that they were going to be meeting (via a video call) Hannah Gold the author of 'The Last Bear'. Hannah gave an inspiring talk which as well as linking in with our study of polar bears and climate change, provided a real-life story of a long-held personal goal being achieved. Hannah read an extract from her book and finished the session by answering thoughtful questions from the children. Many Year 4 children have now added her novel to their summer reading list.



Year 5 - Mr Binns, Royal Marine

Year 5 were lucky enough to have another careers visitor this week.

Mr Binns, a former marine, shared pictures of his time in the marines, as well as videos from the intensive training courses. The children were impressed by his medals and some even tried carrying his 21lb bag!



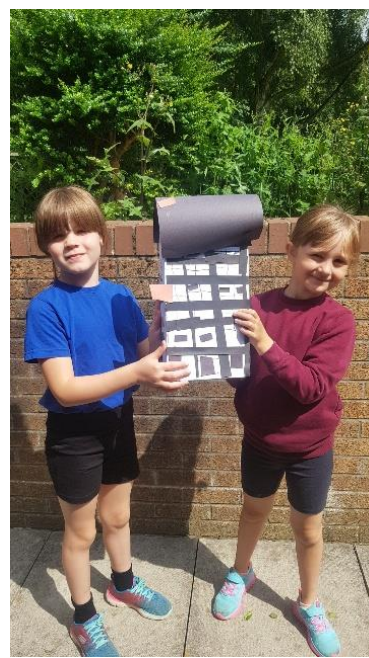
Thank you to all those who came to talk to our children about their chosen careers during the last few weeks of term. The information presented has been invaluable. The children really enjoyed the sessions and they have all been given lots of career possibilities to consider for the future.

Year 2 Forest School

In design and technology, the children discussed the materials and structure of houses in 1066. In pairs, they then created their own houses and showed excellent teamwork skills and used all of their history knowledge to try and make their houses look as authentic as possible.

Then, in their final forest school session last week, the children set their houses alight to replicate The Great Fire of London! There was a lot of excitement and discussion about what it would have been like and fire safety.

The children have had a really wonderful time throughout forest school and have learned a lot of new skills - well done Year 2!



Year 6

Year 6 have been very busy during their last week of primary school and celebrated the end of a successful year on Friday with a trip to Twin Lakes. They had a fantastic time with lots of laughs and excitement as well as cooling down in the water park.



Mr Barratt successfully shielding Noah and Tyler from the water in this action shot! 😊



The children have been learning all about World World II this term and Mrs Cartledge organised a wonderful 'street party' VE celebration for the class on Monday 19th July.

The children danced and sang to 1940s songs, sampled 1940s party food and played war time games such as musical statues and pin the cigar on Winston Churchill!



Well done to Bethel on her winning Anderson Shelter. A fantastic detailed effort 😊



Yesterday, the Year 6 children performed a wonderful medley of songs, dances and short sketches for their parents. They shared their memories and future aspirations and did Thurlby Academy proud. Good Luck to Year 6 as you move onto your new chapter.



A special mention must go to Leyton - our Citizenship Award winner for 2021. Leyton has proven, time and time again, throughout his time at Thurlby, what a kind, considerate, well mannered, well behaved young man he is and we were incredibly proud to see him presented with his award by Mr Lunn, from the Local Parish Council yesterday. Congratulations Leyton - a very worthy winner!



Open Day - Thursday 15th July

We welcomed a number of potential new families to our school last week. The visitors were able to witness a typical day at Thurlby and the parents commented on how welcoming everyone was and how good mannered and well behaved our children were on walking round.

We plan to hold another Open Day at the start of the new academic year for any families who have children due to start school in September 2022. Please spread the word and keep a look out for more details!

Arrival and Dismissal Times/Gates - New Academic Year

Further to our Parentmail sent on Monday 19th July please find the timetable below as a reminder:

Morning and After school routine		
	Gates open 8.35-8.45 am	End of the day
Rec	MUGA gate-collected at 8.45 am	MUGA gate-3.10
Year 1	Small gate to the side of the MUGA (Gate No3)	Small gate to the side of the MUGA (Gate No3)- 3.10 pm
Year 2	Small gate to the side of the MUGA (Gate No3)	Small gate to the side of the MUGA (Gate No3)- 3.10 pm
Year 3	Corner gate near school sign (Gate No2)	Corner gate near school sign (Gate No2)-3.15 pm
Year 4	Corner gate near school sign (Gate No2)	MUGA gate-3.15 pm
Year 5	Main gate entrance (Gate No1)	Side gate near Lawrance Park kitchen entrance (Gate No4)- 3.15 pm
Year 6	Main gate entrance (Gate No1)	Main gate entrance (Gate No1) - 3.15 pm

School Uniform

Just a reminder that from September 2021 our expectation will be for children to still wear their PE kit on PE days with either black or white trainers (no coloured footwear please) and full school uniform, with black school shoes, on the remaining days.

For a full list of uniform requirements please refer to our website. Link as follows:

<https://www.thurlby.lincs.sch.uk/page/8/school-uniform>

PE Days and Forest School

As we are still finalising plans for the above, a separate Parentmail will be issued to parents in September, before the start of the new term.

Thurlby CP Academy Facebook Page and Social Media Permission

Please don't forget to like our new Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/ThurlbyCPAcademy> and let us know your permission preferences for social media via our Google form.

Please complete the Social Media consent form this week (link below).

The completion of this form is a requirement for every child at school so please do complete this as soon as you can. Many thanks.

<https://forms.gle/aPrNjV9BA3eNCRyo7>



Music for Schools Foundation

Following our recent visit from the above organisation and subsequent parents' meeting held via Zoom on Monday 12th July, a copy of this meeting is now available for any parents who were unable to attend the online meeting and are interested in their child learning to play an instrument.



Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view a copy of the recording taken at the time.

Fun, Faith and Food

Reverend Carolyn Bailey, St Firmin's Church would like to invite local residents to their Pets and Picnic fun afternoon. Please see the adjacent poster for details



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Mrs H Joyce'.

Mrs H Joyce
Acting Head of School

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Tuesday 31st August - Deadline for ordering hot meals for week beginning 6th September 2021

Wednesday 1st September - Training Day

Thursday 2nd September - Training Day

Friday 3rd September - Training Day

Monday 6th September - Start of Term 1 Academic Year 2021-2022

Wednesday 15th September - PTFA AGM Meeting @ Lawrence Park - all welcome