



All Things

Thurlby

Newsletter 24
14.03.2025

Dear Parents

Congratulations

Thurlby Stars Certificate Winners

We would like to congratulate our Thurlby Stars for demonstrating one of our Thurlby Values this week. Our winners are:

- Reception** - Isabella and Archie
- Year 1** - Philly and Eliana
- Year 2** - Ashley and Olly M
- Year 3** - All of Year 3 for their super assembly
- Year 4** - Verity and Hudson
- Year 5** - Jude and Meadow
- Year 6** - Panna and Merryn

Attendance

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 10th March 2025, was 96.6%. Congratulations to our Year 5 class on achieving 100% attendance this week. Super stars! 😊

Class Attendance Awards

1st	Year 5	100%
2nd	Year 3	99.3%
3rd	Year 2	97.8%

Comic Relief - Friday 21st March 2025

In order to help raise funds for Comic Relief this year, we are inviting the children to come to school dressed in red, in exchange for a voluntary donation of your choosing. Comic Relief based accessories are also allowed to be worn.

Participation is, of course, voluntary. If your child does not wish to wear red, they must come to school in their usual school uniform/PE kit. Thank you for your support.



Class Photographs

Class photographs will be taken on Monday 24th March. We would be grateful if children could please come to school in their school uniform and school shoes on this day. Children can bring their trainers to school in a separate named bag to change into for their PE lesson. Many thanks.



Hot Meals - Summer Term 1 - April 2025

The weekly menus for next term are now available on the meal's website, so you can order well in advance. A copy of the menu has been sent out by Parentmail today and added to the school website. The deadline for ordering meals for the first week back after Easter is Tuesday 1st April.



Reception

Reception have experienced some exciting new opportunities in recent weeks:

Bikeability

Last week, the children had the chance to take part in 'Bikeability Balance Training' which is a development programme designed to get children active and have fun on cycles. The instructor taught the children all about the parts of a bike and how to check for bike and helmet safety. The children learnt how to glide, balance and negotiate spaces and directions and of course brake! The children were all absolutely amazing and learnt some valuable skills.



Visiting Chicks

The children were very excited to have some visitors in school last week. Henry's mum brought along their chicks to meet the children. The children looked at the features of the chicks and observed the changes that occur as they hatch. They also learnt about other baby animals and signs of Spring.

Thank you to Mrs Florence for providing this wonderful learning experience for our children.

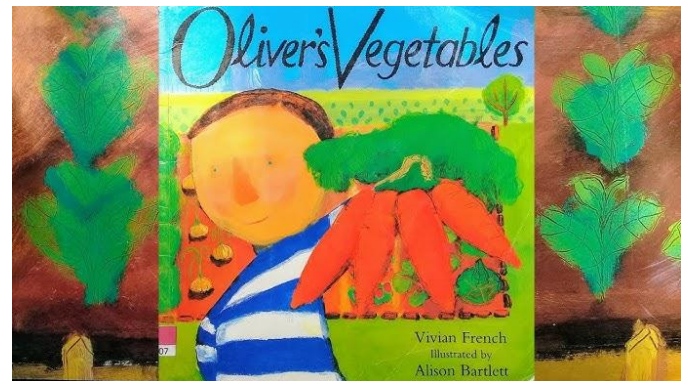


Healthy Eating

The children have been reading the story 'Oliver's Vegetables' by Vivian French and Alison Bartlett. The book tells the story of a fussy eater, Oliver, who only likes chips, until he visits his grandparents and their vegetable garden, where he's challenged to find potatoes and eat whatever else he pulls up. Through this experience, Oliver learns about different vegetables and how they grow, and he even starts to enjoy them. When Oliver's mother arrives to pick him up, she's surprised to find that he's been eating a variety of vegetables, not just chips.



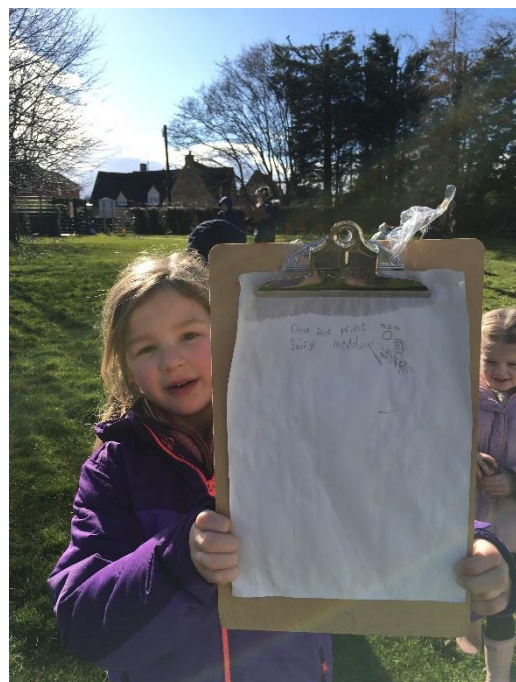
Inspired by the story of Oliver, Reception have been tasting a variety of vegetables including spinach, beetroot, sugar snap peas and red peppers and making and tasting soup. The children have practised how to peel, chop and slice potatoes, onions, spinach, peppers and carrots. They have also spotted the changes that occur once they are cooked in the soup.



The children have also enjoyed fruity pancakes with toppings of berries, lemons, lime and honey.

Forest School - Year 1

Wow, what an eventful session Year 1 had this week! The children started their session with rain and bursts of heavy hail, which they thoroughly enjoyed catching in their hands. Suddenly, the rain and hail stopped and the sun came out, only for the rain and wind to start again towards the end of the session. The very changeable weather did nothing to dampen the spirits of our intrepid explorers. They had great fun being fairy finders. They used magnifying glasses to search for clues that fairies have been in the outdoor area. Lots of evidence was found including footprints, food stores and beds. Year 1 then made fairy houses to encourage them to come back and help our garden grow. They all showed amazing creativity and worked well in their pairs. Some of the houses had swimming pools, fire exits and food stores.



Year 5/6 Netball Competition

A group of our Year 5/6 boys and girls travelled to Spalding Academy on Tuesday to represent our school in this week's netball competition. The children were trained with the help of some brilliant sport leaders. The children worked extremely hard during the day, displaying lots of our Thurlby values, particularly teamwork. Well done to all our wonderful netballers!



TTRS Champ!

Congratulations, this week, go to Matilda, for being our champion on Times Tables Rock Stars. Well done on your award! 😊



Fond Farewell

Last week we said goodbye to one of our longest serving members of staff, Mrs Murfet, our Cleaner in Charge. Mrs Murfet has dedicated 17 years to Thurlby and has tirelessly cared for our school every day, being an integral part of the team. We are very grateful for the hard work, care, and commitment Mrs Murfet has shown throughout these years and we wanted to give her the send off she deserved.

The children surprised Mrs Murfet with cards, a song and a personalised poem in her farewell assembly last week. We wish Mrs Murfet every happiness and success in her new job.



Message from Lawrance Park Committee - Children's Playground Construction

We have exciting news in that two of our older pieces of playground equipment are to be replaced with more modern ones.

The Naseby Tower will be replaced by a two-deck tower connected by a bridge, each deck having a slide. The climbing frame will be replaced by both a horizontal ladder and a traversing forest.

Towards the end of March/beginning of April (weather dependent), the contractors, Sovereign, will be on site; first removing the existing equipment then installing new equipment, including a wet pour.

During this time, the playground will still be available for use but certain areas will cordoned off. Sovereign have supplied risk assessments and all personnel are DBS checked.

So, please continue to enjoy the playground but be extra careful during construction. As always, the Trustees strongly advise that children are properly supervised by a parent or guardian at all times.



Please see the correspondence below from Reverend Georgina Holding, the Rector of St. Guthlac's Church, Market Deeping:

I am the Rector of St. Guthlac's Church, in Market Deeping. I am getting in touch as we have an organ bursary and are looking for applicants to apply for this amazing opportunity. Essentially, it is the chance to learn to play a church organ, free of charge. All the applicants need to be is grade 4 piano, or organ, and they can apply. They do not need to have played an organ before to apply, as long as they have Grade 4 piano. More information can be found on the adjacent poster.

Organ bursary

We are offering you the chance, free of charge, to learn, and develop your skills, playing a church organ.

For more information

Email us for more information on this amazing opportunity, including details about the role and our church

Who is this for?

Anyone who:

- Can play the piano, or organ, at grade 4
- Is committed to learning the organ

How to apply

Email: application@stguthlacs.org.uk for an application form & return by 1st May 2025

Mrs K Finch
Headteacher

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Monday 17th March -

Shakespeare Performance - Rehearsal at Key Theatre am, plus evening performance

Thursday 20th March -

Year 5 Class Assembly @ 9.45am

Year 2 visit to Delaine Bus Company, Bourne

Friday 21st March -

PTFA School Disco - EYFS/KS1 5.45-6.30pm, KS2 6.45-7.30pm

Monday 24th March -

Comic Relief

Class Photographs - school uniform to be worn please (bring trainers for PE)

Thursday 27th March -

Year 3 Visit to Peterborough Cathedral

Tuesday 1st April -

School Games Day (details to follow)

Thursday 3rd April -


Year 2 Class Assembly @ 9.45am

Rocksteady Concert @ 2.15pm

Friday 4th April -

End of Term 4

Year 1 and 2 Girls' Football Opportunity



GIRLS
SOCCER SCHOOL
CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 1 & 2
At Deeping Rangers

Looking to give football a try?

Football Sessions For Girls in School Year 1 & 2. Come join us for a chance to play football, develop your skills, make new friends & have FUN! £3 per session

WHEN: Sundays 9AM - 10AM starting in Spring
WHERE: Deeping Rangers, Outgang Road, PE6 8LQ (left hand pitches)

· Shin pads required · Water bottle · No booking required
Contact Sarah on 07757 698849 to register interest



EASTER 'HAF' WORKSHOPS 2025
STAMFORD METHODIST CHURCH HALL



Easter Activities for children entitled to the Holiday and Activity Food Programm (HAF)

MONDAY 7 APRIL	WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL	THURSDAY 10 APRIL	FRIDAY 11 APRIL
 CHEERLEADING	 WICKED	 MORNA	 POP PARTY

Those eligible will receive an email with their vouchers and how to book.