



# All Things Thurlby

Newsletter 07  
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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** - Freddie R and Cecily  
**Year 1** - Charlie and Peter  
**Year 2** - Franky and Filip  
**Year 3** - Georgiana and Ella D  
**Year 4** - William and Oli T  
**Year 5** - Charlotte and Harper  
**Year 6** - Elijah and Chloe

## Attendance

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 14th October, was 95.5%.

### **Class Attendance Awards**

1st	Year 6	99.3%
2nd	Year 3	97.2%
3rd	Year 5	95.7%

## Safeguarding - Purchasing A Smart phone for a child?

We have received the information below from Lincolnshire County Council:

Is it the right time to get my child a Smart phone? This is something we are asked a lot by parents. A new film by the charity **Nip in the Bud** discusses the hidden dangers of social media and smartphone use among children. If you are considering getting your child a phone we would urge you to watch the film here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Zhfd0jW7iY&t=605s>



The film provides insights from children, headteachers and doctors, shedding light on the everyday harm caused by digital platforms.

You can read more information here which provides more options to consider around technology prior to purchasing smartphones for children.

<https://nipinthebud.org/fact-sheet/smartphones-and-social-media-fact-sheet/>

### EYFS Helicopter Stories

As part of a whole Trust oracy and language project this year, all EYFS teachers are receiving training for Helicopter Stories. Helicopter Stories values children's creativity and imaginative play, whilst supporting language development, storytelling and emergent literacy. The adults work with small groups of children and listens to their individual story ideas. The adult writes them down word for word. Once all the stories have been scribed, the class gather around a taped-out stage, ready to act them out.

Mrs Dubell has introduced the children to this by setting out the stage and inviting all children to join in with various pre-made stories by children. The children were so engaged and enthusiastic. They listened and watched when their friends were having a turn and were happily smiling at each other.

### Maths Project

We have signed up to a fully funded maths project through the NCETM and Maths Hub. Teachers are receiving training for this throughout the year. 'This project aims to secure firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. The aim over time is that children will leave KS1 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number'. (NCETM).

Our year 1s have been familiarising themselves with their Rekenreks (like an abacus) to explore calculation. Reception and Year 2 will also be using these in their maths lessons.





### Year 1

Year 1 have been busy this term learning all about kites in D.T. We have looked at different types of kites from around the world and we even created our own Japanese carp kites. Over the past couple of weeks, the children have been busy designing and making their diamond kites. They worked hard to create their kites making sure they were sturdy enough to fly outside. All of the children created some wonderful kites with some very creative designs. They all really enjoyed flying them outside and seeing whose kite flew the highest! Fabulous work year one, well done!



### Year 3 - Forest School

This week, Year 3 have been gathering fruit and cutting it up to make a fruit stew. They all had a go at stirring the stew, which included strawberries, blackcurrants, gooseberries, blackberries, apples and raspberries. They are looking forward to tasting it today.





#### Year 4 - Dance

Over this term, Year 4 have worked with a partner to create short sequences of movement which reflects a colour. We began with creating energetic dances in response to the colour orange and explored performing synchronised movements and then movements in canon. We then switched the atmosphere of our dances to reflect the sadness of the colour grey. The children demonstrated great inventiveness to create atmospheric, controlled sequences which they enjoyed performing to the rest of the class. Great work, Year 4.



#### Year 5/6 Football

Year 5 and 6 showed excellent teamwork skills during this week's football tournament. They worked very hard, showing many school game values, but particularly demonstrated passion, which was the main core value focused on throughout the tournament, achieving tied fourth in this regard, well done children! The children represented the school extremely well and we are very proud of them.







### School Photos for New/Absent Children

Wrates Photography have kindly agreed to return to Thurlby for an afternoon session on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October to photograph any children who were absent on their first visit (Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September) or any children who started with us after this date. This is not for any re-takes.

If your child is due to wear Forest School clothes or PE kit on this day, please bring their school uniform for their photo in a named bag. The children can then just change into them quickly before their photo.



### Parents' Evenings: Reception, Years 1 to 6

Further to our Parentmail today, just a reminder that our Parents' Evenings will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Booking of appointments will be via our Parentmail system and will be live from **today at 6.00pm**.

For parents of children with additional needs, Mrs Smitheringale will be available for 20-minute discussions on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November from 3.00-6.00pm. If you would like to book a time, then please call the School Office to arrange this.


### Year 5 - Bikeability

Consent forms to be back by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November please. Thank you.



### Year 6 - Design and Technology Project

Old pillowcase or duvet cover to be brought into school, for the WWII project, by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November please. Dear Parents



Mrs K Finch  
Headteacher

### Upcoming Calendar Dates

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October -  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October -  
  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October -  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October -  
  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November -  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November -  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November -  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November -**  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November -  
  
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November -**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November -**  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November -  
**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November-**  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December -**  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December -**  
  
**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December -**  
  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December -**  
  
**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December -**  
**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December -**  
  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December -**  
  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December -**

### Details to follow

Training Day  
Start of Term 2  
Royal Bristish Legion Poppy Appeal starts today  
Year 3 /4 Football competition  
Forest School starts for Year 5  
School photographs for absentees/new children @1.30pm  
Year 5 - Bikeability forms back today  
Parents' Evening - 3.30-6.30pm / SEN Sessions - 3.00-6.00pm  
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**Children in Need**  
Flu Immunisation 'Mop Up' Session  
Year 6 - WWII project - old duvet/pillowcase needed by today  
**Book Fair - 3.15 to 4.00pm**  
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Open Evening for Reception 2025 Parents 6.00-7.00pm  
**PTFA Dress Down Day**  
**Year 3 trip to Flag Fen**  
**EYFS/KS1 Nativity - Lawrance Park Hall @ 9.30am**  
**(Reception and Year 1 parents with surnames A-H)**  
**EYFS/KS1 Nativity - Lawrance Park Hall @ 9.30am**  
**(Year 1 parents with surnames J-W and Year 2 parents)**  
**Year 6 trip to Bomber Command Centre, Lincoln**  
**Christmas Jumper Day**  
**PTFA Christmas Fayre 12-2.00pm**  
**Year 5/6 Christmas Performance - Thurlby Methodist - 1.30pm**  
**Year 3/4 Christmas Performance - School Hall - Time 2.30pm**  
**Year 6 VE Day**  
Rocksteady Concert for participating children @ 2.15pm  
End of Term 2

## Local Dance Club

Exciting News! We are now accepting NEW students for our dance classes! 🎉

We offer a wide variety of dance styles,;

- ☀️ Ballet
- ☀️ Tap
- ☀️ Acrodance
- ☀️ Acrobatic Arts (Exam based)
- ☀️ Musical Theatre
- ☀️ Jazz
- ☀️ Contemporary
- ☀️ Lyrical

Our classes run on Saturdays and are available for children aged 3 to 18 years. To celebrate, we are offering FREE trial classes on Saturday, 2nd November! Don't miss this fantastic opportunity! If you'd like to book your child/ren for a free trial in any of our dance classes, please follow the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSciW\\_7TR9VNdIs3J0eAPtqediUB8iut-1tH0\\_qOqUVZMlqATw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSciW_7TR9VNdIs3J0eAPtqediUB8iut-1tH0_qOqUVZMlqATw/viewform)

We can't wait to dance with you! 🎨 🕺 #DanceClasses #FreeTrial #JoinUs

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**Dance classes aged 3-18**  
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**FREE**  
Dance trials

**02**  
**November**  
**9:00AM - 1:45PM**