



# All Things

# Thurlby

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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** - Florence and Lucas
- Year 1** - Chloe and Henrietta
- Year 2** - Max and Verity
- Year 3** - Tilly P and Harry
- Year 4** - Poppy and Dominic
- Year 5** - Dante and Archie
- Year 6** - Liam and Jessica

## Attendance

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 16th January 2023, was 94.4%. Congratulations to our Year 5 class who achieved 100% attendance this week! Super stars!



## Lateness

Our Spring Census has been completed this week and it highlights that, so far, this academic year, we have recorded **219** late entries in the register. This is an extremely high figure.

There will always be times when children are late due to traffic or an unexpected situation at home, which we fully understand and appreciate. However, we do have a number of children who are consistently late nearly every day which is both disruptive for the teacher and the rest of the class and detrimental to the child's learning. Arriving at school 15/20 minutes late every day accumulates to well over an hour of missed learning every week. Children who miss the start of day are missing lesson inputs which immediately puts them at a disadvantage for the rest of the lesson and hinders their progress.

Please do not wait for the 'rush' to subside before bringing your child to school. There are plenty of nearby roads available to park on, in the village. As a school, we have always encouraged and promoted the park and stride ethic.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time, unless there are extenuating circumstances which have been relayed to the School Office before arrival.

Children who arrive after registers have closed, for no given reason, will be recorded as an **unauthorised absence** for the morning.

Many thanks for your support.



### Dangerous Driving Plea

Despite our best efforts, incidents of dangerous driving are still being reported. Yesterday, there were two incidents in which residents of Crown Lane narrowly avoided being hit by speeding cars.



It has also been noted that parents are performing three point turns in the car park while the children are gathered in the morning. On several occasions, these cars have either mounted the pavement or their bumper has crossed it. This is clearly very dangerous.

We strongly encourage you to both drive cautiously and to *Park and Stride* wherever possible, to ease congestion and aid safety. Many thanks.

### Year 4

What an exciting day Year 4 had on Thursday this week! We spent the morning taking part in a music rap workshop and, during the afternoon, we enjoyed being out in the fresh air and sunshine at Forest School. The class were mesmerised by our rap visitor, Xidus Pain, who performed a few different raps for the children to listen to whilst they were able to move to the beat. We were all amazed how he pieced together a rap based on random words the children came up with on the whiteboard - a very talented skill to have! Then the real fun began when the children started to write their own rap about their 'Dreams and goals'. We're looking forward to continuing this in our next session.

In Forest School, the children loved toasting marshmallows on the fire. Everyone made a birdfeeder and hung it in the tree so we can keep a check on how popular their seeds are over the next week.

Finally, they made bug habitats and we placed them in the bug hotel at the back of the school. We predicted which bug might be the first to book their accommodation!

Please take a look at our fun activities...



## Christmas Tree Appeal

We received the following letter from the Rotary Club of Stamford St Martins which we would like to share with our families:



*'On behalf of the Rotary Club of Stamford St Martin's we would like to thank everyone who supported our Christmas Tree Presents Appeal for under privileged children again this year. Despite the very difficult economic situation that we all have to endure, there were 1011 presents collected from all our hosts and £760.00 donated through our QR code.*

*This was an amazing achievement and we are extremely grateful to you all. I'm sure all the children involved had a much better Christmas, thanks to you.'*

## Author of the Week

## KIRAN MILLWOOD HARGRAVE



Kiran has been writing for a number of years and in 2019 her debut children's book was published...and won an award! Although most of her books have been published for children, she does also write for adults and young adults, too!

Her most recent books have been created with her husband, Tom, who is an illustrator. They have beautiful pictures to go with a beautifully told story.

If you like Abi Elphinstone or Emma Carroll, you'll love these books!

*That's another thing about words: there's space in them. They change according to whose mouth they're coming out of.*

Kiran's debut book, 'A Girl of Ink and Stars' won the Waterstone's Children's Book Award in 2019.

*Kiran Millwood Hargrave, in Julia and the Shark, says:*

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## PTFA

Our PTFA have organised a 'Wear What you Love' day on our last day of term. Please see the leaflet opposite for details.

Participation is, of course, voluntary.



Mrs K Finch  
Head of School

## Upcoming Calendar Dates

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January -	Shakespeare for Schools rehearsal at Westfield with Mrs Finch, Mrs Beavis and an actor from the Shakespeare company. Arrive between 8.50-9.15am. End time 3.30pm.
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January -	Year 5/6 Football competition
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January -	Roots to Food Day - Year 2/3 Japanese Day and Year 4/5 Mexican Day
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January -	Year 6- Aylmerton Information Evening @ 5.00pm (Microsoft Teams)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February -	Year 3/4 Football competition
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February -	Last Forest School for Year 4
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February -	Year 6 - SRE Workshop am
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February -	Year 6 - SRE Workshop am
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February -	Young Voices Concert, Sheffield. Final details to follow Girls' Football competition
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February -	End of Term 3 PTFA 'Wear What you Love' Day
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February -	Start of Term 4 Year 6 Aylmerton trip
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February -	Year 6 return from Aylmerton
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February -	Year 5 Bikeability week (Mon-Thurs)
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March -	Shakespeare Performance at the Key Theatre
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March -	Rocksteady concert - Rocksteady to advise parents of this event
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March -	End of Term 4

### Local events

A message from Bourne Children's Centre:

*'The last event, held in October, was a huge success, so thank you everyone that came along. So back by popular demand we are having another one, the hand me down hub will also be joining us again.*

*Come along on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January and Re-Use & Re-Love, and spread the word.*

*We will gratefully receive any donations leading up to the day and on the day.*

*Thank you again for making this a success.'*

Re-Use  Re-Love

### Open Day

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 10am-1pm.

@Bourne Children's Centre, Queens Rd, Bourne, PE10 9DX.



We have a wide range of beautiful donated, clothing aged 0-5 yrs.

If you are looking for some new items,  
then please come along to our open day and Re-Use & Re-Love.

If you are unable to attend on the day and would like some items,  
then give us a call **01778 395895**,  
or drop us an email [BourneCC@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:BourneCC@lincolnshire.gov.uk)