All Things Thurlby

Newsletter 07
23.10.2025

Dear Parents

Thurlby Stars Certificate Winners will be back after half term.

Attendance
Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 20th October 2025, was 97%. Congratulations to our Year 5 class for achieving 100% attendance. Super stars! 😊

Class Attendance Awards

1st	Year 5	100%
2nd	Year 2	98.8%
3rd	Year 6	98.3%

Poppy Appeal
We will, once again, be supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal at the start of next term. Children from Year 6 will be visiting classes daily to sell poppies, starting from **Monday 3rd November** and continuing through this week. If you would like to purchase one, please send in a donation amount you feel is appropriate.

There are additional items available, with suggested donation amounts as follows:
Reflectors - 50p
Snap Bands/ Pull Bands - £1.50

Many thanks for your support.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Forest School – Year 6

Last week, Year 6 were learning about different types of nature deities. Miss Titman challenged them to create a nature deity for the villages they created last week. They had to come up with a name, what they were the god of and show or talk about how the village would celebrate them. They all showed great creativity and teamwork. We had Lavous the God of Lava, Peanut the God of Nuts and Pyrus the God of Fire.

This week, Year 6 have been making art inspired by nature, they used natural materials, chalk, crayons, pencils to create some amazing pieces of art. Miss Titman and Mrs Edgar were really impressed with their creativity.

Year 2 - English

In a recent English lesson, we explored a poem called 'Mum'. We listened to a poet reading the poem and then read the poem ourselves. We counted the beat in each line of the poem and discussed any differences across the verses. Then we learnt the poem to perform, following the rhythm of the poem. We performed in small groups to each other and gave brilliant constructive feedback.

You can listen to our performance by scanning the QR code above.

Rockingham Castle

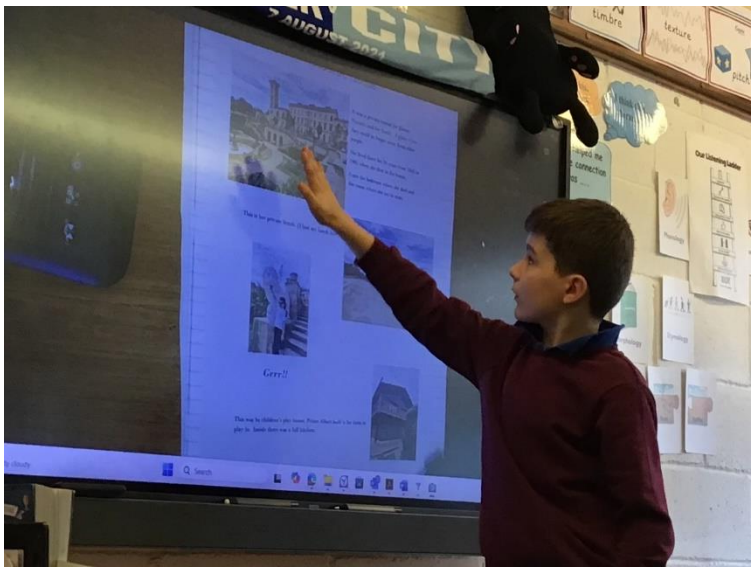
Last Monday, Year 2 enjoyed an exciting trip to Rockingham Castle. The children had a wonderful time exploring the grand rooms, during a tour of the house and in the afternoon walked around the impressive castle gardens. Everyone showed great curiosity, asking thoughtful questions and sharing their impressive knowledge about castles. The tour guides were very impressed by the children's excellent manners and enthusiasm throughout the day—it was a truly memorable adventure!

Year 4 - Dance

Through dance, Year 4 have been exploring how colour can influence mood. Their final sequences demonstrated how they could use movement and facial expression to reflect sadness and loneliness. Working in pairs or threes, the children showcased their understanding of working in unison and in canon to produce their final, emotive performances. Good work, Year 4.

Year 5

This week in Year 5, the children had a brilliant experience through Now Press Play (an interactive tool used to support writing). They fully immersed themselves back in Victorian times, following the story of a Victorian child. The listening and co-operation were fantastic while they demonstrated some excellent retrieval knowledge, using a reading comprehension follow-up activity.



Year 6 – Secondary Transfer Applications

As per our MCAS announcement this week, just a reminder that the main deadline for secondary transfer applications is **Friday 31st October**. If you have not yet applied, please do this as soon as possible.

You can apply online at https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-school/ or phone 01522 782030 and make an application over the phone.

As communicated via MCAS this week, please note the PE and Forest School days for classes next term.

Forest School

Year 2 and Year 5 will be having Forest School on Thursday afternoons.

Year 5: 6th, 13th and 20th November
Year 2: 27th November, 4th and 11th December

Please ensure your child has the following appropriate kit with them on the dates above.

- Waterproof coat
- T-shirt
- Jumper
- Jogging bottoms/old jeans/waterproof trousers
- Wellington boots (in a separate named carrier bag)

PE Kit days (starting Monday 3rd November)

Reception – Monday and Thursday
Year 1 – Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2 –Monday* and Wednesday
Year 3 – Tuesday and Thursday
Year 4 – Monday and Friday
Year 5 – Monday* and Friday
Year 6 – Tuesday and Friday

*Your child will need their PE kit on the following **Mondays** when they have not got Forest School in the same week.

Year 5 PE Mondays – 24th November, 1st , 8th December and 15th December
Year 2 PE Mondays – 3rd, 10th and 17th November

PTFA – Tea Towel Orders

We are delighted to announce the return of our popular tea towels this year. These special tea towels will feature caricatures of all the children and staff, making for a unique and charming keepsake.

Each tea towel is priced at £6. To place your order, please complete the order form (sent out via MCAS today) and either return it to the school or email (thurlbyptfa@gmail.com) it to the PTFA by **Friday, 7th November**. Hard copies of the order form are available at the School Office, if required.

Please note that payment for the quantity you order must be received before the delivery of the tea towels. You can make your payment via bank transfer, cash, or cheque. The details for these payment options are provided on the order form.

Thank you for your support, Thurlby PTFA.

CLUBS

Anyone who signed up to choir or Book Club, has been successful at securing a place as from w/c 3rd November.

If you have signed up for Spanish club, please wait until half term to receive an email as to whether your child has secured a space.

The Shakespeare letter will go out after half term due to awaiting costs for the club.

Mrs K Finch
Headteacher

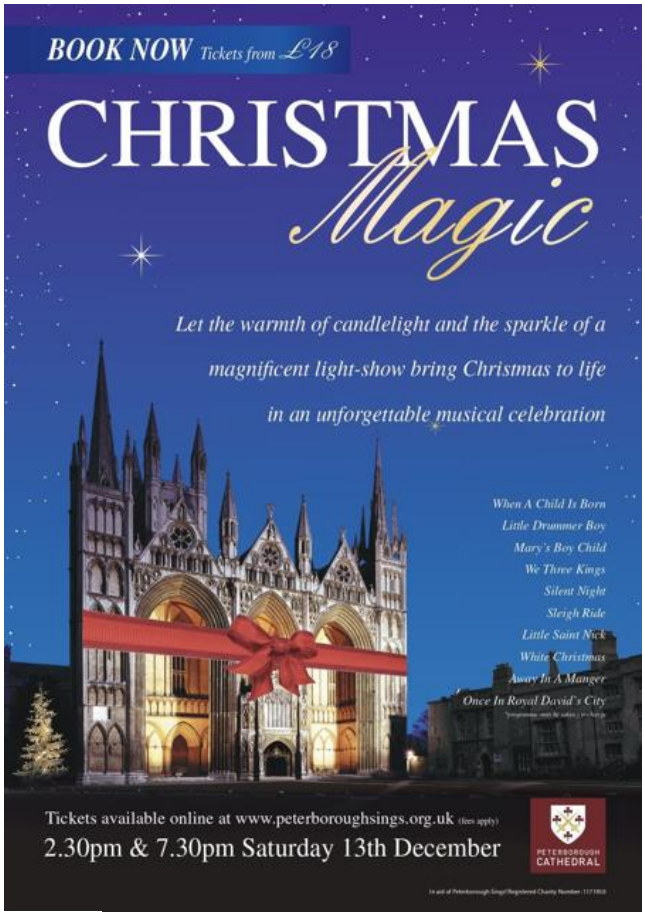
Upcoming Calendar Dates	**Details to follow**
Friday 24th October -	Training Day
Friday 31st October -	Year 6 - Secondary Transfer Application Deadline
Monday 3rd November -	Start of Term 2
	Poppy Appeal starts today for one week
Thursday 6th November -	Parents' Evening
Friday 7th November -	Deadline for PTFA Tea Towel Orders today
Tuesday 11th November -	Parents' Evening (No EYFS Show and Tell today)
Friday 14th November -	Children in Need
Monday 17th November -	Flu immunisation mop-up session
Tuesday 18th November -	EYFS Parent's Show and Tell sessions start today (fortnightly) Autumn 2
Thursday 20th November -	Reception 2026 Open Evening 6.00-7.30pm
	Book Fair 3.15 – 4.00pm
Friday 21st November -	Book Fair 3.15 - 4.00pm
Thursday 4th December -	EYFS Christmas Performance, times TBC
Wednesday 10th December -	Year 5/6 Christmas Performance – Thurlby Methodist Chapel, times TBC
	Year 3/4 Christmas Performance – School Hall, times TBC
Thursday 11th December -	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 16th December -	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Performance, times TBC
Thursday 18th December -	Rocksteady Concert for participating pupils @ 2.15pm
Friday 19th December -	End of Term 2

Half Term Activity

Christmas Event

The popular *Christmas Magic* event returns To Peterborough Cathedral on Saturday 13th December with a family-friendly matinee at2.30pm and an evening performance at 7.30pm. With something for everyone young and old - including live music, candlelight and a magnificent light show - it's the perfect start to the festive season in a truly wonderful setting!

Tickets available at:
https://www.peterboroughsings.org.uk/tickets



Local Club

Free Taster Sessions available.