

All Things

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Dear Parents

# <u>Congratulations</u>

### 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:

Thurlby

- **Reception** A and Alice
- Year 1 Oli and Joshua
- Year 2 Aaron and Ryan
- Year 3 Archie and Poppy
- Year 4 Tilda-Rose and Eden
- Year 5 Jacob and Jessica S
- Year 6 All of Year 6 for being wonderful ambassadors of the Thurlby values

## <u>Attendance</u>

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 21st February 2022, was 97%.

### <u>Covid update</u>

As you will be aware, from the Government announcement on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February, the guidance on testing and isolation for Covid 19 has now changed. There is now no legal requirement to test, or to isolate.

LFT testing for school staff is now no longer advised, however if staff display symptoms and subsequently test positive, the guidance still advises us to stay at home for at least five days (and until we test negative in two tests 24 hours apart) and avoid contact with other people. Staff will continue to be socially responsible and continue to remain mindful of the possibility of spreading infection. Areas will continue to be well ventilated and good hygiene will be encouraged at all times.

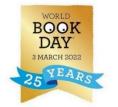
The Government has stated that 'following expert clinical advice, and the successful rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine programme, people previously considered to be particularly vulnerable, clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV), and high or higher-risk are not being advised to shield again.' This policy also applies to those who are not vaccinated, so there will be no expectation that these individuals will need to self-isolate.

Staff and visitors to our school will no longer be required to wear masks, but, of course, can do so if this is a preferred option.

The policy for children will be that if they are unwell or have a high temperature, they should not come to school but they will not be required to test and can return to school when their parents deem that they are well enough to return. If we, as a school, feel that your child is too unwell to attend school, we will ask that you come to collect them.

### **Recommended Reads**





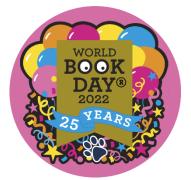
### World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March 2022

'Authorfy' and 'The Author & Illustrator Academy' beam authors & illustrators right into your home so children can meet the creative minds behind their favourite books. Choose which Academy lesson to pick and then press play and let their brilliant authors and illustrators inspire you.



https://authorfy.com/masterclasses/ https://www.worldbookday.com/onlinemasterclasses/





# <u> Thurlby's Wonderful Words <mark>World Book Day - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</mark></u>

Just a reminder that we are celebrating the **25th anniversary** of World Book Day next Thursday.

To celebrate World Book Day, reading and to enhance children's vocabulary skills, we are inviting children to dress up as a 'word'! Your child can choose any word to dress up as and can be as creative as they like in how they represent their word. There are some examples below to give you some inspiration. Please ensure your child can talk about their word and that they know what their word means

(definition) and maybe even some words with the same meaning (synonyms).

There is no voluntary contribution and there is no obligation for your child to dress up. We would advise that if your child does dress up that they still bring sensible shoes and a coat to wear at break times.

**Year 1 Forest School Dress Code** – please ensure that your child still brings extra layers and wellington boots in separate carrier bags for Forest School on this day.

**Y5/Y6 PE** - **Dress Code** - Please ensure that your child either wears trainers or brings some in a separate carrier bag on this day. Please make sure that your child's outfit is suitable and safe for PE.

We are really looking forward to seeing Thurlby's amazing vocabulary parade!



### <u>Year 1</u>

The children enjoyed an enthusiastic start to their Forest School learning this week. They loved experiencing Thursday's hail storm too!

This week they linked their outdoor learning with their geography work about London. Inspired by Big Ben, they made some amazing musical instruments using the natural resources available to them. This was followed by the creation of a palace fit for our Queen. They looked very regal and some even had a flag pole.

**Polite reminder:** please ensure that your child brings a pair of wellington boots in a separate, named plastic bag. They also need a warm (preferably waterproof) coat, a hood/hat and gloves. The weather does not stop us from enjoying Forest School so these items are essential to the children's full enjoyment. Please contact us if you require further help with this. Many thanks.



### Year 6 residential - Aylmerton Field Centre

Our year 6 children have had a wonderful residential trip to Aylmerton this week where they took part in a range of outdoor and adventurous activities as well as learning about fossils and cliff erosion. The activities were based around teamwork and our children demonstrated excellent skills in cooperation, communication and encouragement. The leaders commented, on more than one occasion, how polite and well behaved the children were, being great ambassadors of our Thurlby values. Well done Year 6!



Thank you to Mrs Pengelly for organising the information for our parents. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Sewell for being in charge on the trip – ensuring everything went smoothly and also to our accompanying staff members: Mrs Norbury, Mr Barrett, Miss Cope and Mrs Edgar who all worked hard to ensure our children had a lovely experience and stayed safe.









### Healthy Snacks

This is a reminder that your child's break time snack should be a healthy one. This snack could be fruit or vegetable pieces, a breakfast/fruit/cereal bar or a box of raisins etc. We want to promote healthy eating which encourages our children to live a healthier lifestyle and links to our science and PSHE topics.

We are a **NO NUTS** school due to children and adults with severe allergies including anaphylaxis so please ensure that snacks and packed lunches are nut free.

### Old CDs Wanted

If you have any old CD cases you can spare, please send them into school for our Year 2 art lessons. Many thanks.



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Mrs K Finch Head of School

# Upcoming Calendar Dates

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February -	National Child Measurement Programme (Rec & Y6 only) Children's Health Team in school - am only
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March -	World Book Day
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> March-	Year 5 Bikeability week starts (Mon to Thur). Details to follow next week
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March -	PTFA Bag2School collection. Please drop your donations by 9.00am
	Parents' Evening - details to follow next week
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March -	Year 3/4 Bourne Light Night workshop with Helen Graham, professional artist
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March-	Parents' Evening - details to follow next week
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March -	Class Photographs
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> March -	End of Term 4