



# All Things Thurlby

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Dear Parents

## Microsoft Teams Communication

Please remember that any communication from parents **MUST** be via our enquiries email address or by ringing the school office. This includes the use of the chat function which should be for children only. We understand that you are trying to support your children at home but this disrupts the flow of the lessons for the teachers and all other participants at home and in school. If this continues to be an issue, we will have to disable the chat function. I am sure you can appreciate this is not something we would want to do as children need to use this to ask valid questions or comments if they do not have a microphone.

Thank you for your continued support in this very challenging time.

## Parents' Evening Final Reminder

If you have not yet booked a parents' evening appointment for your child, you need to do this by Saturday morning for Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February via Parentmail. We understand that many of our children are at home but it is just as important to book an appointment, whether they are in school or remote learning, to discuss their progress and next steps.

## Safeguarding During Lockdown

During this time, the safeguarding team at are still all in school and contactable via the enquiries email or phone during this lockdown. Should you have any concerns for your own or other families' safety, please do not hesitate to contact the school. In school, we are continuing to use our Rainbow Card system and this is working well. Children at home can share their concerns with their teacher whilst online either by asking to speak to them about something private or writing in the chat function if they do not want to ask verbally.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Finch and our Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Miss Sones. Our Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Hayball. Please see below our Pastoral Team, who are also there to support our families:



Mrs Finch  
Designated Safeguarding  
Lead



Miss Sones  
Deputy Safeguarding  
Lead

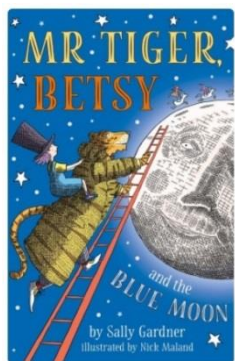


Mrs Breidenbach and Shadow  
Pastoral Leads



Mrs Oxer  
Family Support  
Lead

## Recommended Reads



### Oak National Academy Weekly Book

This week, you can read or listen to 'Mr Tiger, Betsy and the Blue Moon' by Sally Gardner.

<https://library.thenational.academy/meet-mr-tiger-betsy-and-the-blue-moon-with-sally-gardner/>

*"When Betsy K Glory, the daughter of a mermaid and an ice-cream maker, meets the mysterious Mr Tiger they have a giant challenge: a moon to turn blue, berries to collect and wishable-delicious ice cream to create. The sort that makes wishes come true? With Mr Tiger and his troupe of Gongalong circus acrobats, a toad under a spell, a lonely giant, and Mum and Dad, Betsy sets off on her quest."*



## Children's Mental Health Week



Books are a wonderful way to help children learn a little more about themselves and about the world - even one that, at this moment in time, seems hard to understand. 'LoveReading4Kids' have gathered together a collection of books that might help relieve some of the negative feelings and help our children find ways to cope, through mindfulness exercises and gentle storytelling. Most of the stories above are suitable for KS1 and KS2 children however some are aimed at KS3 but may still be useful for older siblings. This link will take you to a synopsis, and age guide, for each book shown.

<https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/blog/collections/anxiety-wellbeing-helping-young-ones-cope-6083>

## School Primary/Secondary Admissions - School Transport Applications

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2021 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as you have your offer of a school place. Applications can be made online at the website below or a telephone application can be made by contacting the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.

For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-college-transport).

Queries can be emailed to [schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

### Year 3 - Mini-mummy pizzas

To enhance our topic on Ancient Egypt, the children in year 3 have made mini-mummy pizzas this week. The children were focussing on using kitchen equipment safely to cut and slice. They had a range of ingredients that they could choose from and then they came up with their own mummy design. The children at school and home were able to enjoy this activity and we had some fantastic results.



*K. Finch*

Mrs K Finch  
Head of School

### Upcoming Calendar Dates

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February -  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February -  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> February -

Parents' Evening via Microsoft Teams  
End of Term 3  
Start of Term 4