





Dear Parents



To help prepare for British Science Week (5-14 March 2021), 'Books for Topics' have put together a list of children's books that celebrate science! They have hand-picked their favourite books that examine key concepts from biology, chemistry and physics as well as stories that



explore scientific thinking and shine a spotlight on famous (and not-so-famous) scientists.



Recommended for ages 7-9





Recommended for ages 9-11





To continue your love of reading at home, we will also send 4 documents with our newsletter, via Parent Mail, with links to authors reading part or all of their books online. When you have opened the document, just click on the cover you would like to listen to and enjoy! 😳



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Click on any of the pictures above to listen to the author read from their story!













World Book Day - here are just some of the class activities that were enjoyed when celebrating World Book Day:

<u>Year 2</u>

The novel Year 2 are studying this term is; 'The Boy who Grew Dragons'. For World Book Day, they listened to the author, Andy Shepherd, tell them how she created her dragon characters and the mystical plant they grew from. This week, the children have drawn and created wonderful poems about their own dragon as well designing their own

magical tree. We had so many marvellous designs including trees that grew dreams, wishes and even chocolate!



<u>Year 3</u>

The children have been enjoying reading the novel; 'Secrets of a Sun King'. We used the website authorfy.com to access masterclass videos from the author of our novel, Emma Carroll. We listened to how she had been inspired to write the text and how she decided to write it as a dual narrative. Emma Carroll then set a writing challenge where the children pretended they were journalists who were interviewing Tutankhamun as this linked to the story and our topic about the ancient Egyptians.

<u>Year 5</u>

We had a master class from Katherine Rundell (online) and discussed how we'd write prequels to our favourite stories - e.g. what happened to: Harry Potter's parents, Willy Wonka as a child, Mr Tumnus from The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe.

We also investigated 'the Mystery of the winning World Book Day Costume' in Maths.

<u>Year 6</u>

Our Year 6 children were keen to wear some headbands to represent their class novel Holes for World Book Day.



<u>PE Days</u>

Please see below a reminder of the new PE arrangements in term 4 from Monday 8th March.

	Premier PE	Class teacher PE
Monday		EYFS, Y4 and Y5
Tuesday	Y2 and Y3	У1
Wednesday	Y5 and Y6	
Thursday		Y2, Y3 and Y6
Friday	EYFS, Y1 and Y4	

- On PE days, the children should come to school in their PE Kit so that they do not have to get changed at school and therefore there will be no chance of children wearing someone else's clothes/taking them home/leaving PE kits in lockers.
- Wherever possible, classes will be doing outdoor PE please ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing for this especially as the weather gets colder.

For P.E, it is requested that parents provide the following:

<u>Indoor</u>: T-shirt (royal blue) Pair of shorts (navy blue/royal blue) Plimsolls <u>Outdoor</u>: Burgundy PE sweatshirt Polo shirt/ P.E. T-shirts (royal blue) Pair of shorts (navy blue/royal blue) Jogging bottoms (plain black or navy blue - no leggings) Trainers may be worn for outdoor games

Thank you for your support with this matter, Mrs Sewell.

Please note that PE will be taking place on the first two days in school as normal.

Home testing kits for school children/households

From Monday 8 March, people who are in a <u>household</u>, <u>childcare bubble or support bubble with a school or</u> <u>college staff member or pupil</u> will be encouraged to get twice-weekly lateral flow tests. Those eligible can get a test by:

- visiting an asymptomatic testing site
- ordering a home test kit online
- collecting home test kits from one of Lincolnshire's fixed-testing sites .

A secondary PCR test will be required for positive lateral flow tests which are taken at home, either through at home PCR testing or at a local <u>PCR testing</u> site.

The rapid lateral flow testing service is only for people without symptoms (asymptomatic). Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms should self-isolate immediately and arrange for a <u>PCR test</u>.

The above information is also available by clicking on the link below:-

https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-attendance/school-closures

<u>SEND</u>

Lincolnshire Community Paediatric Service is undergoing a review of its processes. The aim of this review is to ensure that they meet patient, family and referrer expectations, whilst providing a service that adheres to national standards of care and accounts for the high demand for the service.

An adapted referral process has been introduced from February 2021, for all pathways, which aims to:

- enable families to access holistic support before needing medical intervention through Early Help
- reduce the number of referrals rejected due to lack of detail
- provide appropriate signposting where additional needs are identified
- ensure a young person is placed on an appropriate pathway and in a timely manner
- minimise the delay in appointments given when referrals are accepted

Kind regards Mrs Taylor, SENCo

Year 6 School Leavers' Hoodies

The PTFA will be organising leavers' hoodies again this year for the Year 6 children. The cost of these items will be £17.49 each. The PTFA will subsidise this by £10.00 per hoody and request a payment of £7.49 from parents for the remainder of the balance.

If you <u>do not</u> wish to purchase a hoody or if you <u>do not</u> want your child's forename to appear on the back of the hoody then please email <u>enquiries@thurlby.lincs.sch.uk</u> by <u>Friday 19th March</u> at the latest.

If you would like a hoody and are happy for your child's forename to appear on the back then you do not need to do anything, at this stage.

We will be in touch again once we know how many hoodies are to be purchased.

Thank you. Kind regards, PTFA

<u>Reminders:</u>

<u>Year 1 and 2 Parents</u>

Please ensure that you send your child into school with the resources and any textbooks that were provided to support home learning during lockdown. We will need to quarantine these on arrival and, therefore, require them in school on Monday 8th March. Thank you very much!



<u>Year 5</u>

- 1) Please bring your copy of Street Child to school on Monday 8th March.
- 2) Bikeability forms to be handed into the school office by Wednesday 10th March. If a further copy is required these can be collected from our outer foyer. Thank you.

<u>Year 6</u>

1) SRE reply slips to be handed into the school office by Friday 19th March. Copies can be collected from the outer foyer. Thank you

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Mrs K Finch Head of School Mrs H Joyce Acting Head of School

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Monday 8th March -All children to return to schoolWednesday 10th March -Year 5 deadline to return Bikeability formsFriday 19th March -Year 6 deadline to return SRE reply slipsThursday 1st April -Last Day of term 4Monday 19th April -Start of Term 5