



All Things Thurlby

Newsletter 8
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Dear Parents

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you've all had a lovely half term break. Although, in light of the latest Government restrictions, our new term brings with it some additional challenges, we are still hopeful that the term will be as normal as possible and as enjoyable as we can possibly make it, especially as we move forward towards Christmas.

I'd just like to say a personal thank you to parents for adhering to our request to wear masks at drop off and pick up times. We are all adjusting to the new additional precautions in school and really appreciate your support in emulating this at the school gates.

As we are now officially back in lockdown, we thought it would be a nice idea to think of some activities for families to do together during the weekends. This week's activity is as follows:-

TELL ME A STORY:

You and a partner (or your whole family) each need to gather three random objects from around your house and give them to the other person. You now have two minutes 'think time' to create a story that includes these three objects. The only limit is your imagination- get story-telling. We hope you have fun ☺

Congratulations

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:

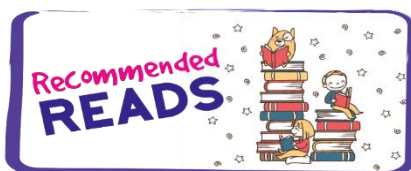
- Reception** - Charlie Green and Daisy Connolly-Beever
- Year 1** - Harry Wheeler and Aaron Marsh
- Year 2** - Alice Walton and Mia Pignatiello
- Year 3** - Thomas Griffiths and William Osborne
- Year 4** - Pippa Harrison and Eva Dubell
- Year 5** - Chloe Sendall and Lucas Parker-Butcher
- Year 6** - William Kemp and Lucy Davies

Attendance

Our average attendance figure for the week, beginning 2nd November 2020, was 97.9%. Another great week with Reception and Year 3 achieving 100% attendance! Well done to all our super stars!



Recommended Reads



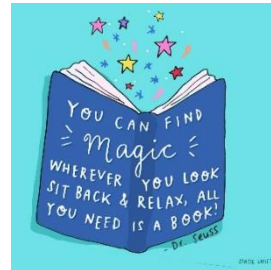
Does your child have any books (fiction or non-fiction) that they really love to read or listen to someone read to them? If they do, please could you take a photo of them, anywhere they like, reading their book and email them to Miss Bright: kelly.bright@thurlby.lincs.sch.uk. We would love to include some of their recommendations in the newsletter each week to help

give them inspiration for new books to read. We're excited to see what you're reading! ☺



Due to the restrictions of COVID-19, we can no longer have volunteers in school to hear your children read. We would really appreciate anything you can do to read to, and with, your child and to encourage them to read independently at home - just five minutes a day can make a significant difference to their learning.

Zara, in Y5, has been very busy reading 'Forever Phoenix' by Cathy Cassidy and 'Tom Gates: Yes! No. (Maybe)' by Liz Pichon



Books for Topics

If you like... Michael Morpurgo try these...

If you like... David Walliams try these...

Remembrance Day

As Remembrance Day parades have been cancelled this year, due to Covid, we thought it would be nice to remember, in our own special way at Thurlby. The children have been very busy this week reflecting and creating some poppy themed art work. Much like the rainbows that were displayed in windows as a thank you to our NHS workers, we hope that families would be willing to display these poppies in windows as a mark of respect to our past and present service men and women. Children will then be able to spot these poppies as they walk around the village taking their daily exercise with their families during this new lockdown period.



Children in Need - Friday 13th November

Children in Need is a BBC charity whose mission is to help ensure every child in the UK is safe, happy, secure and has the opportunities they need to reach their potential. They raise money both throughout the year and in the annual November appeal which is put to work where it's needed most. They fund local charities and projects who help remove the barriers that are facing children and young people, so that they can thrive.



We would like to have a **spotty themed non-uniform day on Friday 13th November** in support of Children in Need and ask children to bring a small donation of £1 to school, towards this important charity. The children can also wear Children in Need themed T-shirts/accessories (suitable for school) if they have them.

Please ensure that your child wears appropriate shoes on this day and a warm coat for playtime.

Anti-Bullying Week - Monday 16th to Friday 20th November



From 16th - 20th November, it is National Anti-Bullying Week. This year's theme is '*United Against Bullying*'. We will start the week with Odd Socks Day on Monday 16th November to mark the first day of Anti-Bullying Week.

This is a day which is designed to be a fun opportunity for children and staff to express themselves and appreciate individuality and uniqueness.

Children can wear their chosen odd socks all day on **Monday 16th November**, either as normal with their school trousers (or visible if they would prefer) and girls can wear them over their tights if they wear a skirt; socks can be as colourful as the children wish or simply normal socks.



Please be aware this is not a non-uniform day and children must wear school uniform and shoes, following the school uniform policy.

Year 3 - Rock detectives!

This week, our year 3 pupils were rock detectives! The pupils used their knowledge of different rock types to help them to sort their rocks in different ways. The children then made careful, scientific observations of all of rocks using magnifying glasses and tried to use lots of powerful vocabulary to describe them.



Shadow joins the Thurlby Team!

Shadow has had a fantastic first week with us at school.

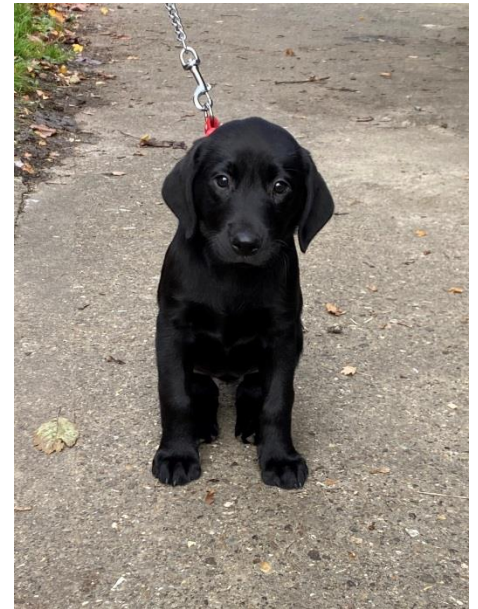
The children's behaviour, when seeing her around the grounds, has been brilliant and I would like to thank them and all the staff for their support.

Shadow has a purpose made exercise area built by Mr Kehoe, the Bourne Westfield caretaker. It is superb and Shadow loves it, thank you so much Mr Kehoe!

We meet our Trainer from Canine Assisted Learning next Tuesday and are looking forward to working with them to help Shadow develop into an amazing Assist dog for our school.

The enthusiasm and kind words that we have received from parents and families have been so welcome and encouraging.

Thank you to you all, Mrs Breidenbach.



PTFA Update

The PTFA have been working hard creating calendars and tea towels (proof opposite) for you to purchase. The calendars come in two sizes, A4 which is £6 and A3 family planner which is £8. Tea towels are £6 each. To pre order a calendar or a tea towel please email thurlbyptfa@gmail.com or collect a pre order form from the foyer and return in the PTFA box. The calendars and tea towels will be handed out beginning of December.

Thank you for supporting the PTFA and raising funds for the school.



K. Finch

Mrs K Finch
Head of School

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Friday 13 th November -	Children in Need. Non-uniform 'Spotty themed day' (£1 donation)
Monday 16 th November -	Odd Socks Day in support of the start of Anti-Bullying week (No donation)
Tuesday 24 th November -	Flu vaccinations (Reception to Year 6)
Thursday 17 th December -	End of Term

Term Dates for the Academic Year 2021-2022

TERM 1 2021

Training Day Wednesday 1st September

Training Day Thursday 2nd September

Training Day Friday 3rd September

First day of term Monday 6th September

Last day of term Thursday 21st October

Training Day Friday 22nd October

TERM 2 2021

First day of term Monday 1st November

Last day of term Friday 17th December

TERM 3 2022

First day of term Tuesday 4th January

Last day of term Friday 11th February

TERM 4 2022

First day of term Monday 21st February

Last day of term Thursday 31st March

Training Day Friday 1st April

TERM 5 2022

First day of term Tuesday 19th April

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May

Last day of term Friday 27th May

TERM 6 2022

First day of term Monday 6th June

Last day of term Friday 22nd July