

All Things

Thurlby

Dear Parents

Congratulations

Thurlby Stars Certificate Winners

We would like to congratulate our Thurlby Stars for demonstrating one of our Thurlby Values this week. Our winners are:

Reception - Congratulations to all our new Reception children (and staff) for a brilliant first week!

Year 1 - Sebastian and Ada
Year 2 - Ruby and Freddie
Year 3 - Ella C and Noah
Year 4 - Lois and Matilda
Year 5 - Jude and Mia
Year 6 - Lennon and Chloe

Attendance

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 2nd September 2024, was 98.9% Congratulations to our Year 5 class who achieved 100% this week, with Year 6 and 3 hot on their heels. Super stars!

Class Attendance Awards

1st	Year 5	100%
2nd	Year 6	99.38%
3rd	Year 3	99.30%

Message from Mrs Finch - Welcome Back

What a lovely first 3 days at school! All our children settled into their new year groups quickly and have been introduced to their new topics for the Autumn term ahead. The new EYFS children have been familiarising themselves with our routines and are getting to grips with school life. We have also had new staff and families join us, in different year groups, and are extremely pleased to welcome them to our school.

A huge thank you to all the staff for working so hard over the summer and during the training days, to make our school environment so welcoming and vibrant.

Reminders

NO NUTS PLEASE

As we have welcomed lots of new families to Thurlby this week, we would just like to advise these parents and to remind our existing families that nuts should not be brought onto the premises. It is imperative that nuts or nut products are not included in any of your child's snacks or packed lunch items. This includes any nut-based chocolate spreads e.g. Nutella.



Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

HEALTHY SNACKS

Children in Reception and KS1 are provided with a healthy fruit snack each day as part of the 'Healthy Schools Initiative'.

For KS2 parents, please ensure that only fruit or vegetable snacks are provided each day for your child/ren. No sweets, chocolates, biscuits etc, should be eaten at morning break. A healthy cereal bar is fine, as long as nuts are NOT contained. Thank you.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back every day. Watches are the only appropriate jewellery to wear. If your child has their ears pierced, small stud earrings can be worn but he/she must be able to remove the studs themselves for PE sessions.

CAR PARK

We would like to remind our parents about the use of the school community car park. This is a very busy area so we encourage parents to use the car park at The Methodist Chapel on Chapel Lane as they have kindly given us their permission.

Parents must take care when driving in the school car park, limiting speed and being careful when manoeuvring. Please also avoid parking in the designated spaces for the school taxi services which are parallel to the school hedge and path.

It is imperative that everyone takes care when driving and parking around our school to keep our community safe.

Thank you for your cooperation.

ATTENDANCE

We would like to remind parents of our new Attendance Policy that was sent out in the summer term and can now be found on our school website.

KAT Attendance and Absence Policy - Applies from 19 August 2024.pdf (thurlby.lincs.sch.uk)

Here are some of the key points that we would like to remind you about:

- > The school day starts at 8:40am for our KS1 pupils and 8:45am for KS2 pupils. Children should be in their classroom, ready to begin lessons, at these times. (Please note revised start time for 2024 Parentmail sent today).
- > The morning register will be marked by 8:50am. Pupils will receive a late mark if they are not in their classroom by this time.
- Parents are required to contact the school office, via telephone, before 8:45am on the day of their child's absence you will be expected to provide an explanation for the absence and an estimation of how long the absence will last, e.g. one school day.
- > To have requests for a leave of absence considered, the school will expect parents to contact the headteacher in writing at least 14 days prior to the proposed start date of the leave of absence, providing the reason for the proposed absence and the dates during which the absence would be expected to occur.
- > The school will only grant a pupil a leave of absence in exceptional circumstances holidays will not be authorised.
- > If term-time leave is not granted, taking a pupil out of school will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and may result in sanctions, such as a penalty notice.

We appreciate your continued support in ensuring your child attends school regularly.



The PTFA AGM will be held on Monday 23rd September 2024 at 7.30pm at Lawrance Park.

If you would like to find out more about our PTFA or are thinking of becoming a part of the association then please do come along or email thurlbyptfa@qmail.com for more information.

WHY NOT COME ALONG TO OUR NEXT MEETING AND SEE WHAT WE'RE UP TO AND HOW YOU COULD HELP?

Bags2School - Thursday 26th September

A Bags2School collection has been arranged for the above date to help raise funds for the PTFA.



Please have your bags dropped off at school (just inside Gate 1) by 9am. Bags will be sent home with your child/children soon but any bag can be used.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for the PTFA it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided - this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to http://uk.bag2school.com/ for full details).

In addition to raising much needed funds, it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE*:

- · Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- · Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toysHousehold linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

We **DO NOT** accept:

- · Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- · Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- · School uniforms with and without logo
- · Corporate clothing and workwear
- · Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Ways to help raise money for Thurlby Primary Academy:

<u>Parentkind</u> - a charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who are making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. To support our school, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app, shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com.

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative - look out for the TV advert, radio ads and social media coverage!

It's as easy as 1,2,3

- 1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
- 2. Choose our Primary School either searching by name or postcode
- 3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most.



Tesco Blue Token Scheme

We will be raising money for school iPads in the following Tesco stores from October 2024 to mid-January 2025:

- Bourne Express Small unit PE10 9AQ
- Spalding Matmore Exp Small unit PE11 2PN
- Bourne Large unit PE10 9LS



For more ways to help our school please see the PTFA page of the Thurlby Academy website, link below:

PTFA | Thurlby Primary School

Spare Clothing Donations

If you have any outgrown navy/black tracksuit trousers or PE shorts, boys' grey trousers or shorts and boys or girls' underpants, we would be happy to receive them for our 'spares' box. Ideally, these would be ages 4-8, but larger sizes are also needed on occasion.



We would also appreciate any donations of outgrown waterproofs, as these are useful in the winter months.

Many thanks

Mrs K Finch Headteacher

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Friday 20th September -Monday 23rd September -Thursday 26th September -Friday 4th October -Friday 18th October -

School photos - details to follow PTFA AGM - Lawrance Park Hall @ 7.30pm PTFA Bags2school collection @ 9.00am Flu immunisations End of Term 1











Free family drop in sessions From 2nd September



Bourne Children's Centre

Queen's Road, Bourne, PE10 9DX Tel: 01778 395895 For bookable sessions Email: bournecc@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Monday

Little Explorers (0-5 years) 10- 11am
Breast Start from pregnancy and breastfeeding 1-2.30pm

Tuesday

Moving on up! (0-5 years) 10 - 11am

Wednesday

Stay and Play under 1s 1-2pm

Thursday

Pop in and Play (0-5 years) 9.30 – 11am

Top Tips for Babies 3-4 months 11:30-12:30 3rd October only

Learning Together Babies Under 1's (bookable <u>6 week</u> course)

starting 5th September 1-2pm

Friday

Pop in and Play (0-5 years) 9.30 – 11am

Baby Massage (bookable <u>5 week</u> course) starting 20th September – for babies up to 6 months 1-2:30pm

Other Services

Children's Health 01522 843000

Lincolnshire Adult Skills and Family Learning Service - 2aspire.org.uk

Free online courses for parents, grandparents, teens and carers – inourplace.co.uk/lincolnshire/

Free online learning for parents and carers - familycorner.co.uk/free-onlinelearning-all-family-join-our-courses-parents-0-5s

Ask us about our Borrow bags!

Link to: Bourne Childrens Centre













