All Things

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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 Freddie C and Emily
- Year 1 Maisie and Hamish
- Year 2 Grace and Hadley
- Year 3 Hattie and Tyler
- Year 4 Grace and Cohen
- Year 5 Tilly D and Leanna-Rose
- Year 6 Ethan and Freya

<u>Attendance</u>

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 4th November, was 97.4%. Congratulations to Year 2 who achieved 100% for the second week in a row! Fantastic!

Class Attendance Awards

1s†	Year 2	100%
2nd	Year 6	98.5%
3rd	Year 5	98.2%

Safeguarding - Smartphone Free Childhood

For any parents who are concerned/apprehensive about their children's mobile phone use, we would like to draw your attention to a website called Smartphone Free Childhood. This was founded in February 2024 after one WhatApp group went viral, with now a community of over 150,000 parents working together to change the culture around children and smartphones.

It is their mission to provide solidarity, support and solutions to parents who are struggling with what's become one of the defining parenting challenges of our time. If you would like to know more, please click on the link below:

https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/

Ballet with The Royal Opera House

This week, year 1 and year 2 had an exciting opportunity. They had the chance to participate in a live ballet lesson from the Royal Opera House. They watched some professional dancers performing famous routines, such as Swan Lake, and then they were taught how to perform some of the ballet moves. The children also got to see where the costumes and sets were created in the Royal Opera House. The children had lots of fun and showed great skills copying some of the more complex ballet moves.





<u> Year 5 – Forest School</u>

This week, Year 5 were pretending to be aliens that had landed in the school outdoor area. They had to describe what they could see and draw pictures in their nature/adventure journal. Many of them stuck in samples of leaves, sticks, mud and bark rubbings. They all did a great job and the journals were interesting to read and look at. Some children created flags to show that they had landed her, like the astronauts did when they went to the moon.





Children in Need – Friday 15th November

We will be supporting Children in Need on Friday 17th November. Children can come to school in non-uniform, they may choose to wear something yellow or spotty to represent Pudsey or wear clothes of their choice. The children will also be completing challenges in their PE lesson next week to support this year's Children in Need theme. We would like to ask for contributions that we can donate to this very worthwhile charity which, of course, is entirely voluntary. Any contributions will be gratefully received. Thank you.





Anti-bullying week

Anti-bullying week will take place from 11th - 15th November, with the theme: Choose Respect. The theme of Choose Respect has come about following consultation with teachers and pupils by the Anti-Bullying Alliance which coordinates Anti-Bullying Week every year in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Teachers and children wanted a theme that empowered them to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. Next week, each class will be participating in various activities and assemblies to mark the occasion and to highlight the importance of demonstrating respect.

<u>Piercings</u>

Recently, we have had several occasions where children have worn earrings for PE lessons and stated that they cannot remove them. As stated on our school website, if your child has their ears pierced, small stud earrings can be worn but <u>he/she must be able to remove the studs</u> <u>themselves for PE sessions.</u> It is imperative, for your child's safety, that they do not wear earrings for PE lessons, therefore, if they cannot remove earrings themselves, please do not send them to school with them in on a PE day.



Thank you for your cooperation.

KEY STAGE 2 Christmas Choir

Mrs Finch is startingng up the school choir again from Tuesday 19th November at 3:15-4:15pm. The choir will be singing Christmas songs in preparation for the PTFA Christmas Fayre, on Saturday 14th December, 12-2.00pm (the children will be opening the fayre at 12pm until 12:10pm meet Mrs Finch at 11:50am) and the Bourne Lights Switch On event on Saturday 7th December (the choir will be performing from 12:30 - 13:30 along with other primary and secondary schools from Bourne. The children will meet members of the Thurlby staff at the stage at approx 12:20pm).



There are 30 spaces in this Christmas choir so it on a first come, first served basis. PLEASE complete the Google form, below, ASAP only if your child can attend AT LEAST one of the events.

Mrs K Finch Headteacher

Upcoming Calendar Dates

Monday 11th November -Wednesday 13th November -Friday 15th November -Monday 18th November -

Thursday 21st November -Friday 22nd November -Tuesday 26th November -Friday 29th November-Tuesday 10th December -Wednesday 11th December -

Thursday 12th December -

Friday 13th December -

Saturday 14th December -Monday 16th December -

Thursday 19th December -

Friday 20th December -

Reception Show and Tell for parents 3.10-3.40pm Parents' Evening - 3.30-6.00pm Children in Need Flu Immunisation 'Mop Up' Session Year 6 - WWII project - old duvet/pillowcase needed by today Book Fair - 3.15 to 4.00pm Book Fair - 3.15 to 4.00pm Open Evening for Reception 2025 Parents 6.00-7.00pm PTFA Dress Down Day Year 3 trip to Flag Fen EYFS/KS1 Nativity - Lawrance Park Hall @ 9.30am (Reception and Year 1 parents with surnames A-H) EYFS/KS1 Nativity - Lawrance Park Hall @ 9.30am (Year 1 parents with surnames J-W and Year 2 parents) Year 6 trip to Bomber Command Centre, Lincoln Christmas Jumper Day PTFA Christmas Fayre 12-2.00pm Year 5/6 Christmas Performance - Thurlby Methodist - 1.30pm Year 3/4 Christmas Performance - School Hall - Time 2.30pm Year 6 VE Day Rocksteady Concert for participating children @ 2.15pm End of Term 2

