

All Things

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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:

Thurlby

- **Reception** Hamish and Anais
- Year 1 Rosie and Florence
- Year 2 Elissa and Joshua
- Year 3 Daisy and Oli T
- Year 4 To be announced next week
- Year 5 Merryn and Mia
- Year 6 Felicity and William

<u>Attendance</u>

Our average attendance figure, for the week beginning 4th December, was 95.1%.

Class Attendance Awards

1s†	Year 4	97.8%
2nd	Year 2	97.44%
3rd	Year 5	97.41%

Competition 1 – Thurlby Stars Certificate

We would like to update our Thurlby Stars A4 certificate. These are presented during the whole school celebration assembly on a Friday. They are linked to the Thurlby Values. The winning entry/entries will become the template for the new certificate. There will be at least one winner for EYFS/KS1 and another for KS2. The children need to include the following:

- Name
- Reason (there needs to be enough space for the teacher to write their comment)
- Date
- Class
- staff member's signature

Competition 2 - 'Positive Post' Postcard

Our second competition is to design an A6 ($4\times6''$) postcard which is linked to the Thurlby Values. Each week, any adult in school can select a child who has demonstrated the Thurlby Values. Postcards will be posted to home addresses, on a Thursday evening, ready to be received as a surprise for the individual children over the weekend. There will be at least one winner for EYFS/KS1 and another for KS2.

The Thurlby Values are:

Teamwork Hardworking Upbeat Respectful Love Learning Be Brave You are Unique



When designing the certificate and/or postcard, please:

- Use bright/bold colours that will stand out when printed
- Ensure that all words are spelt correctly
- Ensure that sentences are punctuated correctly
- Write in your neatest handwriting

The closing date for entries will be Friday 15th January 2024. Please hand your entry/entries into the office or attach them in an email to; <u>enguiries@th.keystonemat.org</u>

We cannot wait to see your designs!

<u>Christmas Tree</u>

Our beautiful Christmas tree arrived on Monday and, as is our Thurlby tradition, each child had the opportunity to put a bauble on it. We think it looks wonderful! Thank you so much to our PTFA, for their kind donation.

Don't forget, from Monday, the presents for The Rotary Club's Christmas Tree Appeal can be placed around the tree ready for collection on Friday 15th December.



And on the subject of trees...our Eco Warriors have some festive facts for us:

Five Festive Facts for an Eco-Friendly Christmas

- * Don't be elfish, wrap presents using recycled gift wrap.
- * Make your own gingerbread decorations they're zero waste!
- * Don't buy a new Christmas tree every year as we don't want to waste our precious trees.
- * Make eco-friendly gifts which are not only fun to create but will be kinder to the environment.
- * Only buy what you need!



<u>Eco Fact</u> Did you know that without trees our planet would eventually become uninhabitable for humans?

Thank you from the eco-warriors! Merry Christmas!

Music for schools

If your child is interested in learning any of the instruments below, please do contact Music for Schools by clicking on the link or talk to Mrs Pengelly in the office.

Music for Schools - Music for Schools Foundation (mfsf.org.uk)



iCare Winter Clothing Appeal

We have been contacted by one of our parents who is kindly collecting in aid of the above appeal. Please see below:

I am hoping the people of Bourne can help me. I work at Peterborough City hospital and we are collecting WINTER clothing for the homeless and people in need. As the temperatures drop, the homeless and financially struggling are sleeping in unimaginable temperatures.

Please if you have any warm winter clothes that you do not need of which are in new / good clean condition would you be willing to please donate? I will be taking in donations this coming week.

Items needed are:

Coats, Hats, Scarves, Gloves, jumpers, Joggers, thermals, warm socks and boots. MEN WOMEN AND CHILDREN

My last collection from the charity is the 15th December.

If you have any clothing you can spare, please bring bags to the School Office by the morning of Friday 15th December at the latest.

Many thanks for your support.



Mrs K Finch Headteacher

Upcoming Calendar dates

Tuesday 12th December -Wednesday 13th December -

Thursday 14th December -Thursday 14th December -

Friday 15th December -

Saturday 16th December -Tuesday 19th December -Wednesday 20th December -Tuesday 2nd January -Wednesday 3rd January -Friday 15th January -

Deadline to order Christmas lunch EYFS/KS1 Christmas Nativity, School Hall @ 9.30am (Rec/Y1 parents only) EYFS/KS1 Christmas Nativity, School Hall @ 9.30am (Y2 parents only) Rocksteady Concert for participating children, School Hall @ 2.15pm Christmas Tree Appeal Deadline today KS2 Christmas Performances, Thurlby Methodist Hall Year 3/4 @ 9.15-10.00am Year 5/6 @ 10.30-11.15am Christmas Fayre 12-2pm Hot meals order deadline for first week back End of Term 2 - Happy Christmas! Training Day Start of Term 3 Closing date for Thurlby Stars Certificate and Positive Postcard Competition