

All Things

Dear Parents

#### <u>Welcome back</u>

We have had a successful first week back to start our new academic year. All of our children settled into their new year groups really quickly and have been introduced to their new topics for the Autumn term ahead. The new EYFS children have made a wonderful start and been familiarising themselves with our routines and are getting to grips with school life. We have also had a few new families join us, in different year groups, and are extremely pleased to welcome them to our school.

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#### In Memory of The Queen

Following the extremely sad news that Queen Elizabeth II has died, we postponed our celebration assembly this morning to honour her memory with a special assembly. We looked at photographs from different time periods in her life including her coronation and the many Jubilee celebrations. We discussed what we felt her majesty's legacy would be and shared some ideas:

- Responsible and constant her attitude towards her role has never changed. She is always professional and dutiful
- Respectful, kind and caring -for her children, grandchildren, animals (Corgis and horses)
- Bravery became Queen so young and has led our country through tough times whilst always prioritising her subjects

Some classes also watched News Round to learn more about the Queens reign and commemorate her life. If we receive any guidance, from the Government, in regarding to schools closing for the period of mourning or the Queen's funeral, we will inform you.

#### CHANGE TO TERM DATES

It has come to our attention that our school calendar this year equates to 191 school days instead of the legal requirement of 190 days. Please accept our sincere apologies for this oversight.

In order to rectify this situation, Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October will now be a school training day, in line with a number of other local schools. Children will **not** be expected to attend school on this day and this day will form the last day of the October half term.

The updated term dates have been posted on our website and can be found at the bottom of our newsletter. If you own a school calendar, please update this as soon as possible.

Many thanks.

### **Reminders**

#### NUT FREE SCHOOL

As we have welcomed a number of new families to Thurlby this week, we would just like to advise these parents and to remind our existing families that we are a nut free school. 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.



# <u>PTFA</u>

The PTFA AGM will be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 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 <u>thurlbyptfa@gmail.com</u> for more information.

**Thurlby Parents, Teachers and Friends Association** 

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

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: MONDAY 12th SEPTEMBER at 7.30pm at Lawrance Park Email thurlbyptfa@gmail.com for more information

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#### Thurlby Runs

This week the PTFA received a cheque for £850 from Paul Biddlecombe, Race Director of Thurlby Runs. We would like to say a huge thank you to Thurlby Runs and all the volunteers that help make this event happen each year. The money raised from this event is shared equally between the PTFA and Thurlby Scouts.



For more information of next year's run please visit <a href="https://thurlbyrun.chessck.co.uk">https://thurlbyrun.chessck.co.uk</a>



#### Bags2School – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Following a number of parental requests, a further Bags2School collection, has been agreed by the PTFA, on the above date. Further details will be sent out soon.



Mrs K Finch Head of School

#### <u>Upcoming Calendar Dates</u>

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September -Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September -Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October -Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October -Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October -

PTFA AGM @ 7.30pm, Lawrance Park social room School photographs (details to follow) Flu immunisation team in school - am PTFA - Bag2School collection @ 9.00am End of Term 1

## Academic Year 2022-2023

#### TERM 1 2022

Training Day Thursday 1st September Training Day Friday 2nd September First day of term Monday 5th September Last day of term Friday 21st October

#### TERM 2 2022

**Training Day Monday 31st October (revised date)** First day of term Tuesday 1st November (revised date) Last day of term Friday 16th December

#### TERM 3 2023

**Training Day Tuesday 3rd January** First day of term Wednesday 4th January Last day of term Friday 10th February

**TERM 4 2023** First day of term Monday 20th February Last day of term Friday 31st March

#### TERM 5 2023

Training Day Monday 17th April First day of term Tuesday 18th April May Day Bank Holiday Monday 1st May Last day of term Friday 26th May

**TERM 6 2023** First day of term Monday 5th June Last day of term Friday 21st July