



Thurlbear Matters 2

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Term 1, Week 2

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Online Resources:

[www.thps.j2webby.com/ThurlbearBlogability!](http://www.thps.j2webby.com/ThurlbearBlogability/) Go here to create blogs on J2e.

www.maths-games.org/
Lots of games!

Online Safety Resources:

www.swiggle.org.uk

[Safer online searching – it creates search lists from educational sites only.](#)

www.childnet.com

Lots of online safety tips and games

www.somersetcoices.org.uk

One-stop shop

Learning to Learn Again... Mr Gillan

Two weeks into our new term and every class has their effective classroom practice, environment and charters established. Across the school, pupils use (where possible) their work book from the previous class, so that they can see what they produced at the end of last year; this really helps with challenging any 'summer slide' because teachers can say: "Look at the standard you produced weeks ago!"

I have also been so impressed with how our Play Leaders have started the year. This group of Year 6 pupils is led by Mr Gunstone and their function is to help our younger pupils lead an active, fun and engaging lunchtime. Whether it is learning how to throw and catch, win and lose or just have fun, these Play Leaders are doing a vital role for our Foundation and Key stage 1 pupils.

It was great to welcome back Sacha and Libby from Bishop Fox's, this week. They returned to give a talk to our current year 6 about the exciting transition into secondary education. We always love to see our former pupils again. We also have Edith and Amber returning to help with sports clubs!

Safeguarding Mr Gillan

Safeguarding at our school – at every school – is everyone's responsibility. This also means our governors safeguard the well-being of staff, too. This is an opportunity to remind all Thurlbear families that we have a car park code of conduct which states: "**abusive behaviour to staff, pupils and other parents will not be tolerated and may result in you being excluded from the car park.**"

A reminder, too, that we have a pupil with a severe egg allergy in school. This means there should be no eggs, egg sandwiches, egg salads etc. Your children have no doubt told you that they are all complying wonderfully with our new system of hand sanitizing after our lunches.

Keeping Children Safe in Education 2019 is a document containing statutory government guidance that sets out the legal duties all staff in education must follow in order to safeguard and promote the welfare of children. If you are interested in this, search for it online and take a look.

Notices Mr Gillan, Mrs Moore and Mrs Carter

- **In connection with the above statement**, can we please ask that all families relinquish any temporary car permit they had for 2018-19 as we now have a new colour for '19-20? These permits are for specific reasons for families (injury etc) and are distributed in good faith. If the school governors feel that this is abused in any way, they will close the car park to all cars other than staff vehicles.

for information for families

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Bible Thought:

"Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."

We are a proud part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells:

www.bathandwells.org.uk

Our Google calendar can be found on this link!

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=thurlbearcevaschool%40gmail.com&ctz=Europe%2FLondon>

- Our **PARENT TOURS** are here again. If you know of any families with prospective pupils for our foundation Stage 2020-2021, ask them to contact our office.
- **Please do pop along** to our first Head's and PTA Coffee morning on **27th September** between 8:45 and 9:30. This is an informal chat and opportunity to listen to the plans of our PTA as well as raise any issues with me or discuss, really, anything!
- Our Church workers would like to invite all Thurlbear families to **HARVEST FESTIVAL on Sunday 22nd September at St Mary's church Stoke St Mary**. It starts at 10am and there'll be refreshments afterwards. If you would like, you can take along a thank you picture or note to God which will be used during the service.
- **Drinks in bottles should be water**. This is direct from DfE guidelines. Please help us by ensuring your child has water in their drinks bottle.
- **Our** second-hand uniform is still available to purchase if anyone is interested. It can be a very useful thing to have in the back of the wardrobe! See our Office for more details of sizes etc.
- **The whole school** has received a 'flu vaccination letter. Please complete this and return to the Office team asap.
- **Do we have any knitters?!** Mrs Carter is collecting on behalf of a charity called "baby basics" based in South Somerset. They collect and distribute knitted blankets, clothes and other items to vulnerable families. Would you like to knit a special 'thing' such as: bedding, a hat, a cardie or a snuggly for 0-6 month old babies? Who wouldn't?! See Mrs Carter for further details!
- **Volunteers?** Please do pop into school and talk to the teachers if you feel that you can volunteer in any capacity in school. Readers, cutters, stickers, helpers and listeners are all welcome.

The Week Ahead Mr Gillan

Monday: Chestnut Class starts full time!

Tuesday: Full Governing Body Meeting

Thursday: Y4 swimming

Thursday: Chestnut families' meeting led by Miss Kelloway

Friday: Drumming Tuition

Friday: Celebration Worship Y5

Friday: Y6 Cake Sale

We all hope that you have a blessed weekend and enjoy the remains of the excellent weather.