



Thurlbear Matters

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Term 2, Week 5

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Our Christian Values:

Thankfulness,
Hope,
Friendship,
Wisdom and
Trust

TRUST is our focus, this half term.

Our classes will focus on this value around school and in our collective worships, led by Mr Gillan and individual classes.

Online Resources and Safety:

1. www.swiggle.org.uk

Forward-looking Mr Gillan

Most of our notices, this week, concern things to look out for or bring to your attention:

- **Residentials** for Years 4 and 6 are all set for the Summer and their full balances are due on the following dates:
Year 4 Kilve is April 21st, please;
Year 6 Mendip is May 5th, please.
- **DON'T miss** a piece of news or updates from school! Simply subscribe to our latest news on the school website and the latest items will wing their way to your email address once posted! Go to <https://www.thurlbear.somerset.sch.uk/news/> and enter your email address in the 'subscribe' box.
- **Bad News / Good news:** Our road is being closed for works by Wessex water. This is down past the church and on the corner. The **Good news** is that it is in half term! Therefore, it is worth mentioning for anyone who walks their dogs up the bridle path and parks near the church.
- **Next Week is Mental Health Week.** Classes across the school will be joining in activities, and Wednesday will see Mrs Ayres leading some big thinking in every class under the theme '**Let's Connect**'. Staff will also be joining in and having time to talk amongst the whirlwind of a school week. **If you have any concerns**, or your child feels like they need to talk, then you are very welcome to come in and see me anytime, email or phone.
- **Tuesday is also SAFER INTERNET DAY.** Classes will be working on the theme: "**Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online**" and I will be leading an assembly at the end of the day. We will also publish activities that you can follow up on at home!
- **Our email address is office@thurlbearprimaryschool.co.uk** and you can find this on our 'contact us' page on the website.

Safeguarding Mr Gillan

A few items, this week:

Safer online searching – it creates search lists from educational sites only. Please do give it a go at home, as it should bring up some very interesting sites for home projects / research.

3.
<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/>

Some beautiful images and great facts on this National Geographic site.

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Bible Thought:

“You welcome me as an honoured guest and fill my cup to the brim.”

Psalms 23

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

www.bathandwells.org.uk

- **PLEASE ring the office** if your child is ill on day 1. This is for a number of reasons, for example teachers might not check Class Dojo until lunchtime and, by then, we have made a phone call to you! Also, we monitor the levels of illness around school. If the teachers enter the ‘n’ code for illness, then the office can’t contextualise it. It is brilliant that you have such strong bonds with teachers, but it is the bigger picture that we sometimes miss if via Dojo.
- **ILLNESS, in accordance with our policy and in line with national health advice, is a 48hr absence from school.** This is 48hrs from the last episode of any sickness. We will contact you to collect your child should they return to school early, so that it minimises the chance of any pupils or staff catching any illness.

The Week Ahead Mr Gillan

Monday: Girls' football

Tuesday: SAFER INTERNET DAY

Tuesday: Tag rugby

Wednesday: Mental Health Week

Wednesday: Court Games Yrs 2 to 4

Thursday: Mr Timms piano tuition

Thursday: Mr Lloyd drumming

Friday: Healthy Metres Matters

Friday: Year 3 Indoor Athletics

Friday: Mr Snowden guitar tuition

HALF TERM

Dress Down Fridays: They occur on the first school Friday of a new month. Here are the dates for the rest of the year:

3rd March, 21st April, 5th May, 9th June and 7st July

