



Thurlbear Matters

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Term 1, Week 4

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Online Resources and safety

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.somersetchoices.org.uk

One-stop shop for information for families

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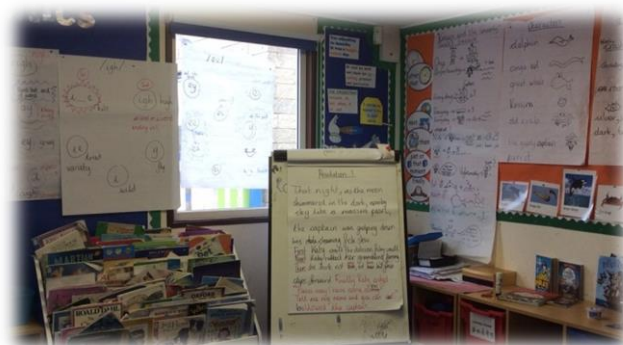
Bible Thought:

“Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ

Around the Classes

Mr Gillan

At the end of the 4th week, classes have their own rhythms and patterns, from phonics in Chestnut and Rowan as soon as they come in, to arithmetic question and answers for our oldest pupils in Oak. I've had the pleasure of observing our youngest pupils in action in phonics, as well as leading maths with Year 6. An element that all rooms share is learning walls: a space in a room where teachers display their latest learning on large pieces of paper. This instant-display is meant to help pupils remember key thoughts and objectives from the session, so that they can look at it the next day and have a useful reminder. This photo, taken in Cherry Class, shows a good example of the process: teacher-modelling / instant feedback from pupils / paper is ripped off and put on the wall as immediate reminder of the key learning. The paper then changes as soon as a new topic is visited.



WORKERS OF THE WEEK! Chestnut: **Alex** Rowan: **Molly** Cherry: **Hugo** Hazel: **Barnaby** Willow: **Seren** Pine: **Ella** Oak: **Chloe**

JOB! A general catering assistant is needed for BAM FM, our lunch providers, to cover a maternity post. 15hrs per week, term time only. 11:15 – 2:15pm. Start date 2nd November 2020. Successful candidates will need to undergo an enhanced disclosure check (DBS) and provide proof of right to work in the UK. **For further details or to apply please contact Dean Waller on 07909 007291 dwaller@bam.co.uk**
Closing date: Friday 2nd October 2020

JOB 2! We are looking for mid-day supervisors to help us between 12pm and 1:15pm every day. If you think you could help us please contact the office ASAP for details such as rates of pay. It is a **great way** to get to understand roles in school and lots of TAs have begun their journeys as MDSs so, if you feel you could help us, please get in touch ASAP!

Thanks to our fantastic PTA who have collected a **WHOPPING 450kg** of unwanted items for Bags2School yesterday. I'm told: "This is a record we think....nearly 3 times bigger than last year's collection." **£135** to school funds that we didn't have before, so than you very much if you contributed to this.

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Notices and Safeguarding Mr Gillan

As we begin a new month, can we remind you to PLEASE book into The Den Breakfast and After School sessions using the online SIMS Pay system? Your child does not appear on our register if you do not, causing time delays and confusion for your child!

Pick-up and drop-off times: Please remember you have a 15mins-slot for your child's class. If you turn up early – or late – it has a knock-on effect on the bubbles on either side. We have had this, mostly, on the KS2 side of school. This can also lead to unsafe situations for pedestrians walking up through our car park path.

MRS TROTT: After many years of brilliant service, Mrs Trott has finished her role at school and is now enjoying some much-deserved quality time at home. It's been a pleasure to work alongside such a brilliant professional and I will particularly miss our Manchester football derby days. As a staunch 'red', she would always suggest I borrowed her Old Trafford mug as a forfeit for Manchester City losing (pre-COVID)! I think she even bought me one as a secret santa! The staff have all contributed to a gift and these times are normally celebrated together as a whole school. Sadly, extraordinary events mean we cannot now gather as a school to celebrate her career, but I am sure that you all share in my congratulations to her for such a long and worthy life in Thurlbear.



MRS ROBERTS: Another long-serving member of the Thurlbear family who has chosen to retire, Mrs Roberts has been connected to Thurlbear for over 35 yrs. This incredible achievement is recognised and celebrated by every member of our team. In all the years I have been here, she has travelled up in here all weathers to help at lunch and then travelled home an hour later!

These members of staff will be sorely missed by us all.

The Somerset School Aged Immunisation Team (SAINT) will be visiting our school in the future to deliver flu vaccinations – the date will be at the beginning of December. **A full letter has now been given** to every family which includes the following link

<https://saint.sompar.nhs.uk/flu/2020/west> where you **must** register yourself and fill in an online consent form. **The link will close by 23rd October 2020;** all forms will need to be submitted electronically by this date. Please do this asap, as this could be the only notification you receive from us regarding this.

A helpful parent has contacted us to say, once a family registers, they receive a confirmation letter including a bar-code. We have yet to be informed about this bar-code by the NHS and we will give you an update when we know more.

The Week Ahead Mr Gillan

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: more Bikeability groups!

Tuesday: Mr Snowden guitar tuition (contact him on 07591 810453 for availability)

Friday: Drumming tuition with Mr Lloyd

Term 1 dates of interest:

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

6th November, 4th December, 8th January, 5th February, 5th March, 23rd April, 7th May, 11th June and 2nd July.