



Thurlbear Matters

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Happy St George's Day

Term 3 Week 1

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Bible Thought:

"Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him."

Luke 24

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Welcome Back Mr Gillan

I hope you have all had a great Easter and are looking forward to this Summer Term at Thurlbear. Historically, it's a term of activities, learning and fun in the sun and we hope that is repeated, this year. Our school website now has an effective calendar where you will be able to catch up on all planned things related to the whole school – just take a look on the front page.

- **PE Kit and uniform:** Thank you for your efforts to get summer white tops and normal PE/games shorts for our PE sessions. Uniform is looking very smart in this first week back so, again, thank you for your support. Mrs Linthorne still has items of good-quality second-hand uniform, so contact her through the PTA if there is something you need. Recently, there was a request for any donations of good-quality uniform. We don't have the human resource to deal with donations that are in a state of disrepair, so please do check cuffs / buttons and collars before donating!
- **Parent Consultations:** Hopefully, you have organised a time slot with your class teacher for our Parent Consultations, next week. This is an opportunity to see how the return to school has gone and what targets are being set for the rest of the term. One of the OFSTED questions for parents is: "My child makes good progress at this school" and can lead to some parent/carers answering: "don't know". These consultations should give you a clearer picture of how your child is progressing and what can be worked on together, as a home/school partnership, to make progress even better. We are absolutely committed to ensuring you know how your child is doing.
- **Late Admissions:** For anyone looking to secure a place in Chestnut Class for the 2021-22 academic year, **4th May** is the final date for any late applications. Please pass this information on to anyone you may know who is interested in joining our lovely school. Mrs Carter is a font of knowledge and is always happy to help families, so please do contact her in the office.
For those with siblings joining us in September, please look in book bags for our welcome letter and invitation to a presentation!
- **Midday Supervisor:**
6 hrs & 15 mins per week, Monday to Friday between the hours of 12.15 – 1.30pm, £9.43 per hour. A vacancy has arisen within our busy lunchtime team for a Midday Supervisor. The role is to help and support children within the dining room and at outside play. If you are interested in applying for the role or would like further details please contact Mrs Moore within the school office or email jmoore@educ.somerset.gov.uk
- **Easter Competitions:** There was a brilliant influx of Easter entries for the various categories in the PTA Easter comps. We had a terrible time choosing between some wonderful creations, but there had to be a winner! These winners will be presented in our Collective worship, today (Friday):
Egg Decorating: Myla Y1 Easter Garden: George Y4 Easter Bonnet: Eva Y2

Easter Wreath: **Ewan Y1**
Colouring: **Phoebe C Y1**
and Daisy Y4 Baking:
James VS Y4 and Tilly Y2

I also created a brand-new award for Vinnie. He entered the baking competition, but also got Auntie and Grandma to join him remotely in the fun! I thought: if ever there was a positive reflection of the past year, it was



this. Families do whatever they can to come together. So Vinnie wins "The Spirit of Easter" award. **Well done to all!**

Sunflower seeds came home before Easter for anyone wanting to enter the PTA growing comp! £1 to enter and you have all summer to grow them. Get your entries back to us by 7th September, so lovely for our Y6 to still be involved even when they have become big Y7!

- Lunch menus have gone home and will need to be back with us, please, **no later than Wednesday 28th April.**

Safeguarding Mr Gillan

- **Moving** into the summer months, please ensure your child has a suitable (named) sunhat and any sun cream will have to be self-administered due to safeguarding protocols.
- **Please ensure** we hold your very latest contact details of email and phone number, as well at least 2 other contacts for your child should you be unable to be contacted. Thank you

The Week Ahead Mr Gillan

Our days are filled with Parent Consultations, so please make sure you have arranged yours with teachers!

Monday: Y1 and Y3 Parent Consultations

Tuesday: Y1, Y2 and Y5 Parent Consultations

Tuesday: Mr Timms piano lessons (contact us if you are interested)

Wednesday: FS, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Parent Consultations

Thursday: Y2, Y3, Y4 and Y6 Parent Consultations

Friday: Mr Snowden guitar lessons

Term 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:

7th May, 11th June and 2nd July.

Coming soon: After School Sports club options.....