

Thurlbear Matters

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Lots of online safety tips and games

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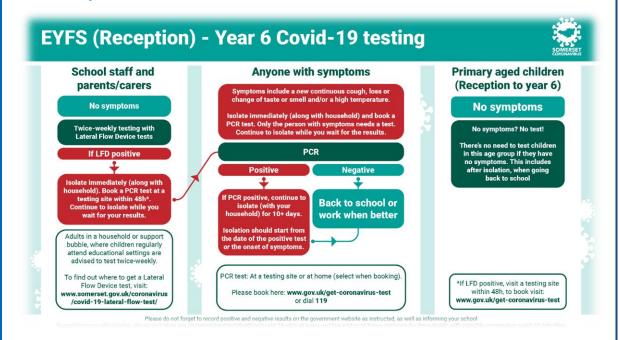
"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

Corinthians 3

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

www.bathand wells.org.uk

COVID Updates Mr Gillan



Our current position:

Y3 and Y4 teachers are teaching from home and our Foundation Stage bubble returns Monday 12th July.

Please ensure that you check your emails/ Class Dojo over the weekend, as this will be a form of contact should I need to notify you of any urgent updates. You can also hit SUBSCRIBE on our newsletter blog. This will mean any news update from us will go straight to your email. Go to our website, click on 'latest news', enter your email in the box and then hit the yellow subscribe button. I am 'on duty' at the weekends should any parent need to update me with PCR test results and need guidance. sgillan@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Our Foundation Stage bubble have been doing some brilliant home learning, this week, and have produced a range of fantastic creations, from underwater scenes to maths additions and paintings galore. Years 3 and 4 have adapted brilliantly, this week, with their teachers online 'live' teaching. Their focus, attitude and behaviour has been excellent. In unprecedented times, we have to adapt to do the best we can for our pupils. The Local Authority have praised our efforts and want to use it as a case study of how this could work in the future for remote learning.

• **Guitar lessons** have been incredibly popular, this term, and here is a message from Mr Snowden: "Guitar lessons available at Thurlbear primary for beginners and continuing learners from year 2 to year 6. Friendly relaxed lessons at your pace by visiting guitar tutor John Snowden. I also offer online zoom lessons if this is of any interest, please email JOHNGUITARSNOWDEN@GMAIL.COM TEXT MOB-07591810453 for more details."

At Thurlbear CoE VA Primary School, the health, safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. We expect all staff, governors, parent/carers and volunteers to share this commitment to safeguarding our pupils.

- SUMMER RAFFLE: Please return your raffle tickets via your child's book bag and write your child's name and year group on the reverse. The deadline for tickets is Tuesday 20th July. Raffle drawn Friday 23rd.
- Reminder: End of Year
 Reports will be coming to
 you via email. This takes
 our Office Team a large
 amount of time, so reports
 won't be all coming out
 on the same day! Please



be aware of this should you have children in multiple classes.

• Every class has now created a Collective Worship / Learning Journey film that has been with you via a secure YouTube link on Class dojo or Google Classroom stream. The response has been overwhelmingly positive. Thank you goes to the pupils and teachers for filming these snippets of great learning. It has been a pleasure putting them together and given me plenty of goosebumps merging all those golden moments!

Safeguarding Mr Gillan

Our school procedures for September are a vital cog in your day-to-day planning and I fully appreciate that you need a vision of what our drop-offs and pick-ups will look like in September. Next, week, I hope to give you greater clarity on this. The summer is a crucial time in the country's ongoing COVID journey, and it seems near impossible to chart where we will be at the end of August. Government predictions of millions in self-isolation and a summer of localised decisions only adds confusion to the picture. However, we will publish our own ideas and then review through the break. Again, please keep an eye on our blog and social media spaces so you don't miss any updates.

The Weeks Ahead Mr Gillan

Monday: Y5 Mendip Activity Days
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Thursday: Y5 SASP activities on the field

Friday: Mr Snowden guitar and Mr Lloyd drumming.

<u>Term dates of interest:</u> 23rd: Y6 Leavers' Worship 23rd LAST DAY OF SCHOOL.