



Thurlbear Matters

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Spring Term end of week 5

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Our Christian Values:

Thankfulness,
Hope,
Friendship,
Wisdom and
Trust

Our Christian focus for this term is:

TRUST

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

Bible Thought:

Trust in the LORD with all your heart. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

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Around School Mr Gillan

- **Mrs Carter** has made a very good point regarding lunch menus. Due to the fluctuating numbers in and out of classes, this week, some families may have missed the paper copy! At the end of this newsletter, you will find a copy that you can print off, make your choices, photo/scan it and email to school by **THURSDAY 10TH FEBRUARY**. Please only use this option if your child is absent from school. If your child is attending school, get them to bring it in as normal. Key Stage 2 meals can be paid for when your child returns to school. Any questions, the Office Team can answer them!
- **As always**, we have tried to keep families as up to date as possible with our COVID picture across school. As my blog and social media posts have already said, I thank you for your cooperation with continuing the regular testing at home and working with us to minimise the effects of it in school. Look out for a temperature, too. This is something we have spotted in many of our current cases: we have sent pupils home with temperatures who have, subsequently, tested positive. Please do look out for this with your own children.



What do I do with our statistics? Every day, we total our numbers and input them to Public Health. One of the questions they ask: "Are there more than 5 cases in a group (class)?" Today, my answer was 15 in Year 4, 67 cases in the last 10 days, including 6 staff members. They then advise me as to extra measures we can take, but we are already doing everything they mention. We have just a number of sizeable air purifiers delivered to school and these will be distributed into classrooms ready for Monday. **I would also like to thank Mrs Perry and TK**

A wonderful thought for the week from former Secretary-General of the United Nations Kofi Annan.

“There is no trust more sacred than the one the world holds with children.”

Maxx for their generous donation of hand sanitizer, face masks and an air purifier for a classroom!

- For any budding scientists, there is E-Bug: a free educational resource for **classroom and home use** and makes learning about micro-organisms, the spread, prevention and treatment of infection, fun and accessible for all teachers and students... it includes games! **e-Bug | Fun Kids Live**

Safeguarding *Mr Gillan*

A message from Public Health regarding a drop in MMR vaccinations:

Parents and Guardians Reminded of the Importance of Routine Childhood Immunisations

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and the NHS are calling on parents and guardians to ensure their children are up to date with the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine, and all other routine childhood immunisations, as the latest data shows MMR vaccination uptake has dropped to the lowest level in a decade. Coverage for the two doses of MMR vaccine in five-year olds in the South West is currently 90.4%, just below the 95% World Health Organization target needed to achieve and sustain measles elimination. Coverage of the first dose of the MMR vaccine in two-year olds in the South West is 93.4%, meaning almost 1 in 10 children under the age of 5 are not fully protected from measles and are at risk of catching it.

Dr Julie Yates, Lead Consultant for Screening and Immunisation, NHS England and Improvement South West said: "Measles is an important childhood disease which can cause serious illness and even death. There have been very few cases of infectious diseases such as measles over the past couple of years, mostly as a result of social distancing, mask wearing and other precautions introduced to prevent the spread of Covid-19. As these restrictions lift and people start travelling again, we know that these diseases will start to come back and spread amongst those who are not immune. "The MMR vaccine is the best way to protect against measles, mumps and rubella. It is safe, effective and free. Children are routinely offered the first dose at age 1 year and a second at 3 years 4 months before they start school. It is important that parents don't delay and get these vaccines as near to these ages as possible to provide their children with the best protection, but if they have been missed, it's never too late to have them and we would urge that now is the time to make those appointments to ensure all who have not had MMR are fully protected." Parents who are unsure if their child is up to date with all their routine vaccinations, should check their child's Red Book (personal child health record) in the first instance. If you are still not sure, or if you need to bring your child up to date with their vaccines, contact your GP practice to check and book an appointment. To find out more about the MMR vaccine, please visit **www.nhs.uk/MMR** for more information.

COMPLETED FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY NO LATER THAN

9.00am on THURSDAY 10th FEBRUARY

PAYMENT MUST BE ENCLOSED WITH THE LUNCH ORDER

CHEQUES MADE PAYABLE TO THURLBEAR SCHOOL

MAIN COURSES ARE SERVED WITH POTATO OF THE DAY/RICE OR PASTA & SEASONAL VEGETABLES/SALAD

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDING ON THE AVAILABILITY OF INGREDIENTS

Name _____ Class _____	Name _____ Class _____	Name _____ Class _____
Week 1 W/C 28.02.22	Week 2 W/C 07.03.22	Week 3 W/C 14.03.22
MONDAY 1 Baked Pork Sausage 2 Vegetarian Sausage (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Ice Cream Roll & Strawberry Sauce B Fresh Fruit	MONDAY 1 Mild Chicken Korma 2 Lentil & Chick Pea Korma (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Fruit Yoghurt B Fresh Fruit	MONDAY 1 Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce 2 Vegan Meatballs in Tomato Sauce 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Ice Cream & Butterscotch Sauce B Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY 1 Italian Style Beef Bolognese 2 Vegan Mince & Pepper Bolognese (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Ham & Beans A Jelly with Fruit B Fresh Fruit	TUESDAY 1 Creamy Macaroni Cheese (V) 2 Tomato & Herb Pasta (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Chicken & Sweetcorn A Chocolate Crunch & Custard B Fresh Fruit	TUESDAY 1 Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding 2 Vegan Sausage Roll (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Tuna A Peaches & Cream B Fresh Fruit
WEDNESDAY 1 Chicken & Ham in Cheese Sauce 2 Sweet Potato Falafel (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Fruit Flapjack B Fresh Fruit (V)	WEDNESDAY 1 Cottage Pie & Gravy 2 Crunchy Potato Topped Veggie Pie (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Milk Jelly & Fruit B Fresh Fruit	WEDNESDAY 1 Chicken Goujons 2 Veggie Nuggets (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Apple Crumble & Custard B Fresh Fruit
THURSDAY 1 Roast Chicken Breast & Gravy 2 Roasted Quorn Fillet (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Salmon A Chocolate Orange Mousse B Fresh Fruit	THURSDAY 1 Roast Turkey & Gravy 2 Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Tuna A Somerset Apple Cake with Cream B Fresh Fruit	THURSDAY 1 Beef & Lentil Lasagne 2 Butternut Squash Lasagne (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Chicken & Sweetcorn A Banana Oat Cake B Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY 1 Breaded Fishcake 2 Vegetable Burger (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Lemon Drizzle Cake B Fresh Fruit	FRIDAY 1 Breaded Fish Fingers 2 Vegetable Pastry Turnover (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Chocolate Mousse B Fresh Fruit	FRIDAY 1 Battered Fish Fillet 2 Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) 3 Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans A Fruit Yoghurt B Fresh Fruit
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