

Thurlbear Matters

1.7.22 Summer Term Week 9

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Our Christian Values:

Thankfulness, Hope, Friendship,

Wisdom and

Our Christian focus for this term is:

Class choice:

Each class will choose their own value on which to focus, based off our 5 key values.

Bible Thought:

1 Corinthians 6:14:

"And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power."

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September Outlook

Mr Gillan

We all know the nation's history books – and those of the world – will be full of commentary and reflection on these past 2 years. We will all have a story to tell. As Head of Thurlbear, I would mention the people of this school and the efforts put in place to make learning as ordinary as possible in extraordinary times. Staff and families have pulled together like never before and our children – our futures – have responded in such resolute, positive fashion that it should give us all hope for the years to come! Looking to the horizon with hope is, perhaps, one of the characteristics which defines a human. As I sit here, tapping away, I am filled with excitement about 2022-2023 and the experiences our Thurlbear pupils will get in their time with us. We have met with our new intake for our Foundation Stage Class and it was lovely to greet these families in person and set out our welcoming vision. We have a full class and a substantial waiting list, with families wanting to share our learning journey. We have also had, in the past 2 weeks, very positive and constructive feedback from our Local Authority School Improvement Partner, along with a literacy advisor, praising our teachers' work across the year groups, the standard of work in books and the curriculum we have planned from Foundation to Year 6.

So, what does next year look like in each year group? There is going to be a few changes, as we look to continue our success and hard work across the school and it has taken some time to put the pieces together, but we are there:

Class	Teacher
Foundation (Chestnut)	Miss Kelloway
Year 1 (Rowan)	Mrs Foster-Burnell and Mrs Lucas
Year 2 (Cherry)	Mrs Baldwin
Year 3 (Hazel)	Miss Crook
Year 4 (Willow)	Mrs Yellowley and Mrs Lucas
Year 5 (Pine)	Mrs Chedzoy and Mrs Collings
Year 6 (Oak)	Miss Warrington

I always feel that it is a sign of a positive professional environment when the staff team is secure and consistent over time. Our teachers know our pupils very well and every single member of staff – right across the school and in

every facet of Thurlbear – wants the best for each child. Every adult truly wants to '**Train Up a Child in the Way Should Go**" and we are tireless in our pursuit of this.

School Notices

Mr Gillan, Mrs Yellowley

PTA Collaboration:

- Our Summer Fair has been sadly postponed, but for the best of reasons. July 9th is the new date and we expect that the weather will have improved for this great day! PTA are still looking for volunteers for the day, as this helps everything run smoothly. Even an hour is a valuable commodity for you to offer: ThurlbearPTA@hotmail.com should you feel you can do your bit!
- Miss Crook has put a very handy letter together, outlining our learning for HEALTH WEEK, commencing 11th July. This outlines what it is all about and I will include a photo on our social media, Dojo and school website blog that shows the progression through the school, so you are fully cognisant of elements of this crucial area of study.

The Week(s) Ahead Mr Gillan

It is getting to the very busy end of the term, now, but the learning opportunities don't stop...

Tuesday: Pupil Progress Meetings **Tuesday:** Year 6 Transition Day

Tuesday: September 2022 Intake stay and Play session

Tuesday: Foundation Stage Vision Screening **Wednesday**: Our trainees have their last day

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Wednesday: Year 6 Transition Day

Wednesday: Moving Up session for classes!

Wednesday: Pupil Progress Meetings

Thursday: Year 1 and 2 Noah's Ark Zoo trip

Thursday: Years 3 and 4 QuadKids (selected pupils) **Thursday:** Years 5 and 6 QuadKids (selected pupils)

Friday: Celebration Worship.

REVISED SUMMER FAIR 9TH JULY: further details will be sent out, similar to our previous set-up.

REVISED SPORTS DAY 14TH JULY: further details will be sent out, similar to our previous set-up.