



# Thurlbear Matters

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Term 1, Week 10

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## Our Christian Values:

Thankfulness,  
Hope,  
Friendship,  
Wisdom and  
Trust

Our Christian focus for this half term is

## HOPE

## Bible Thought:

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

Romans

## School Notices

Mr Gillan Mrs Carter

1. **There are still a considerable number of unpaid clubs for this half term. Please check** if you have paid. At the outset of the year, we tried to go paperless and, instead, rely on grown-ups directly booking online. This hasn't quite worked out and a large percentage remain unpaid. After Christmas, we may well go back to slips and payments!  
**As a a reminder**, Mrs Carter has adjusted price for the street-surfing club rain-closure day. Please also note, there will be no Friday football club on 1<sup>st</sup> December (Christmas Fair!) and 15<sup>th</sup> December (last day of term!) and the payment price reflects these 2 sessions.
2. **PTA Raffle tickets** have gone home and they are £5 a strip / £1 a ticket! Please bring them back as soon as you can.
3. **Lunch menus have gone home and this includes Christmas Lunch on 7<sup>th</sup> December** . ALL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER. We cannot process them after this date!
4. **Healthy Metres Matters: please** make sure you turn up at 8:15 and not at 8am, as it will mix with Breakfast Club times and you will be charged for attending! I will monitor it next week and make sure the transition into HMM is through the side gate, ideally.
5. **A really WONDERFUL Celebration Worship from Chestnut**, today. "Glorious and charming" said one parent.
6. **GREAT PSHE work on Anti-Bullying Week, led by Miss Crook. 'Odd socks' were the theme of the week!**

**REMINDERS:**  
**KEY DATES** for families – up to the end of this important term – are as follows. These are the dates we



currently know. Thanks to Mrs Taylor and the PTA Team for the following details:

- **22<sup>nd</sup> November** Foundation Stage to Year 5 Road Safety talks during the school day.
- **29<sup>th</sup> November Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 Journey to Bethlehem** @ Staple Farm. Letters out from teachers.
- **1<sup>st</sup> December PTA Christmas Fair.** Please note no after school sports clubs will be running on this day.
- **7<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch.** Details will be on the next menu (out on 17<sup>th</sup> November) **11<sup>th</sup> December proposed Year 4 trip to the BrewHouse.** Details to follow from Mrs F-B
- **12<sup>th</sup> December 2pm and 5:30pm: Foundation and Key Stage 1 Nativity!** "A King is Born". Further details to follow from teachers.
- **14<sup>th</sup> December Key Stage 2 Carol Service @ St Mary's Church.** There will 2 services on this morning for Y3 and 4 families and then Y5 and 6 families.
- **15<sup>th</sup> December (last day of term) Extra-Special Dress Down Friday CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY!**

## Safeguarding

Mr Gillan

**On such a busy pick-up time as a disco night,** there are lots of children going home for tea with friends. Please, please let us know if going home is different on these kinds of days. We respectfully challenge anything we have not been made aware of! Mrs Carter was very busy chasing up on calls to families, which isn't ideal. Also, please ring into the office and don't Dojo teachers, as they won't be checking during teaching hours!

## Week Ahead

Mr Gillan

### NATIVITY REHEARSALS BEGIN!

**Monday:** Girls' Football Years 3 to 6

**Tuesday:** Healthy Metres Matters starts for Years 2 to 4

**Tuesday:** September Intake Parent Tours

**Tuesday:** Netball/Basketball Years 3 to 6

**Wednesday:** Multi Skills Years 2 and 3

**Wednesday:** ROAD SAFETY TALKS across the school

**Thursday:** Street Surfing Years 4 to 6

**Thursday:** Y6 Leadership Academy (selected pupils)

**Thursday:** Mindfulness Years 5 and 6

**Thursday:** Year 3 to St Thomas church

**Friday:** Music Assembly and Celebration

**Friday:** Choir Years 2 to 6 (more great voices required!)

**Friday:** Mixed Football Years 3 to 6