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Thurlbear Matters

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www.childnet.

Lots of online safety tips and games

www.somerset choices.org.uk One-stop shop for information for families

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Bible Thought:

"She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

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December News Mr Gillan

- Sad / happy news: sadly, for us, Mrs Newman has a new role and will be leaving at Christmas! She is a great colleague and will obviously be missed sorely by all at school. We will always be grateful for the work she has done with her brilliant performing arts leadership at our school over the years, her RE curriculum leadership recently, her work on formative assessment across the school, and her expertise in so many areas of primary school life. Why is it happy news?! Well it's not, but we still keeping Thomas in the Thurlbear family! I Know you will all join me in wishing her the very best of luck for her future.
- RAFFLE TICKETS! These are priced at £1 per ticket (£5 a strip). Please buy as many as possible! This is our main fundraiser of 2020 due to the ongoing tribulations. Any money should be placed into a SEALED envelope, along with the ticket stubs and the cash. Please make sure the stubs have been completed with name and contact number, so we can inform the winner! The deadline for returning these is FRIDAY 11th December and it will be drawn for the end of term. There some FABULOUS prizes:



- Our new website now has a 'new starters' page where anyone interested families can
 watch a small film of our school through selected photos. It can be found here:
 https://www.thurlbear.somerset.sch.uk/about-us/new-starters/
- **Polite reminder:** just one Christmas card to the whole class, please, as we are still maintaining our encouragement of keeping items at home.
- We have managed to arrange a safe visit from a special visitor. We will confirm the date asap. On the day, we will be offering a (cleverly distanced) photo for your child. More details to follow.
- PLEASE hunt down any school reading books at home! Chestnut, Rowan, Cherry and Hazel all have books missing. Please check at home if you have any hiding under the bed!
- A message from SAINTS: "We recently visited your school to immunise consented children with their flu vaccinations. You may have some families who missed the consent deadline but still wish to have their children vaccinated. Please direct these families to our team, we are running mop up sessions across the county throughout this term. Please note, this vaccine is not available to school aged children from their GP practice so please do not signpost them there, unless they have a medical condition that puts them in an at risk group. Families can email us at somersetsaint@somersetft.nhs.uk or call on 0300 323 0032 to make an appointment at one of our community clinics."
- Our cake competition had some wonderful entries and it was almost impossible picking between them. All ideas were brilliant and it was clear they were made with real joy, so a small thank you prize has gone out to all those who entered: Miles, Albert, Henry, Lizzy, Rory, Tyler, Will, Sophie, Jack, Molly, Lillie, Zac, Mrs Fletcher and Phoebe! So the winners: Zac, for his monster truck mound! It made us laugh, was imaginative and we loved the snow sprinkles! Lizzy for her gingerbread character! It looked great fun and I really loved that his left leg was fatter than his right one! Just like all of us; it wasn't perfect, but it was clearly loved. And Mrs Fletcher with the grown-up prize: wow!







WORKERS OF THE WEEK! A huge congratulations, this week, goes to...

Chestnut: Mila Rowan: Phoebe Cherry: Eva Hazel: Grace

Willow: Henry Pine: Finn Oak: Freya

The Week Ahead Mr Gillan

Tuesday: Nativity filming

Thursday: Mr Snowden guitar tuition (contact him on 07591 810453 for availability)

Friday: Mr Lloyd drumming

Term 1 dates of interest

TBC: special visitor

Dress Down Friday: They occur on the first school Friday of a new month. Here are the

dates for the rest of the year (hopefully):

8th January, 5th February, 5th March, 23rd April, 7th May, 11th June and 2nd July.

