



# Thurlbear Matters

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Half Term 2, end of week 3

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## Our Christian Values:

Thankfulness,  
Hope,  
Friendship,  
Wisdom and  
Trust

## Our Christian focus for this term is:

# HOPE

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

## Success in (and out of) School Mr Gillan

### A few 'firsts' to start with:

- Well done Evie and Isabella who went along to the recent cross-country event at King's. Both girls are great athletes, across many sports, and they showed this on the day. I believe Evie hurt her ankle but still managed to finish in the top 30 overall! Congratulations to Isabella for being the 'first girl' across the line and 7<sup>th</sup> overall!
- Next 'first girl' is Cornelia, who blitzed the Paignton Duathlon a full 7mins quicker than the closest competitor!



### Around school:

- I have seen a lot of creative writing from all classes this week, but none more so than Year 2. Their poetry and the onomatopoeic language of the whizz...whoosh...crack fireworks has been excellent!
- Today (Friday), Years 5 and 6 have been involved in some very powerful learning about World War 2 and evacuation. Some of the items that have come in from home have been truly wonderful and thanks to all those families who have entrusted us with treasured family items. Pupils have been sharing stories with me all day and Year 6 showed me wonderful dance



## Online Resources and Safety:

1. [www.swiggle.org.uk](http://www.swiggle.org.uk)

Safer online searching – it creates search lists from educational sites only. Please do give it a go at home, as it should bring up some very interesting sites for home projects / research.

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## Bible Thought:

"For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have **hope**."

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choreographed by Miss Warrington! Huge thanks to her and to Mrs Chedzoy for organising such interesting visitors and learning opportunities.

- A message from **Emma Busby, Support Worker, The Open Door:** "From all of us at Open Door we'd like to say a big thank you for your very kind Harvest Festival donation. Our clients visit the drop-in centre daily to have a shower, grab a change of clothes, use our laundry facilities and enjoy a hot meal, without the help of your wonderful kindness this wouldn't be possible."
- Our Christian Value focus is on **HOPE**, this half term, and classes have been thinking about what we are hoping for today, tomorrow and into the future.

## Notices Mr Gillan and Mrs Carter

- A message from Mrs Carter: Menus for the remaining 2 weeks of this year and the beginning of 2022 will be coming home with the children on Monday. Due to our catering company requiring our orders in advance and school not returning until Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, you will be receiving a double menu. Please return **BOTH** menus to school by **NO LATER** than Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November. KS2 families, please accept our apologies for us asking for extra payments during this already expensive time, but unfortunately it is the only way to place our orders on time.
- On our website, we will put details about supporting ARC if you would like to give some **hope** and kindness to the homeless of Taunton.

## Safeguarding Mr Gillan

Huge thanks to families continuing to test their children at home on regular LFD's and checking the symptoms. As a foster carer of a 2yr old, I fully empathise with the challenges that face us all and these tests and my thanks are genuine.

## The Week(s) Ahead Mr Gillan

Quite incredibly, the time has come again to practise our nativities! Chestnut, Rowan and Cherry Classes are all hard at work learning songs and words. Closer to the time, we will announce how this can be viewed by families.

**Monday:** Mr Timms piano sessions

**Monday:** Yrs 4 – 6 cricket club

**Tuesday:** Years 3 and 4 Tag Rugby Club

**Wednesday:** Years 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Club

**Friday:** Mr Lloyd drumming, Mr Snowden guitar sessions, Years 1 and 2 Multi Sports Club

**Dress Down Fridays:** They occur on the first school Friday of a new month. Here are the dates for the rest of the year: **3<sup>rd</sup> December, 7<sup>th</sup> January, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 1<sup>st</sup> April, 6<sup>th</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup> July.**