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Dear Parent/Carer,

During the week some children from class 4 have helped out at Lighter Lunches at the chapel. It is great to see older and younger people meeting together in the village. This has a real benefit for both groups of people. Year R and Year 6 have taken part in the NHS Heights and Weights Programme. School only facilitates this and does not receive any information about the children. As parents you may however receive information and support. Please contact the number on any paperwork you may be sent if you wish to discuss, as school cannot help you with this.

The gymnastics club for class 3 and 4 has started well. Thank you for picking up promptly. We are trying to arrange further clubs and will send details when things are all confirmed.

Open the Book club for year 4 is taking place at 2pm on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January. Parents of children taking part are welcome to join us. Please check with your child if they have been to the practices.

Letters have been sent out to Class 3 and Class 4 about Dodgeball competitions. Thank you for sending in the reply slips. I am happy to confirm that both competitions can go ahead as we have enough to enter a team for each class.

A number of children in class 4 have had their writing selected for a book. The children's work that has been chosen will have received a letter today. Please note there are quite a few children who have been chosen. The company produces each book for a small number of schools. There is no obligation for you to purchase any copies of the book. However, it could be a nice keepsake to have and could help boost your child's confidence. School receives no money for participation in this but receives one copy of the book for the school library.

Next week class 1 are food tasting as part of their Chinese New Year topic.

**Parents Evening**- I can confirm that parents evening will take place on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. Please book your slot online using the relevant link below. Each slot is for 10 minutes. Parents who are no longer together are requested to arrange between you one slot that you can both attend. Appointments for pupils in Year R , 1 and 2 are only available on one night each. Please choose the correct date and your child's correct year group (KS1) or class (KS2)

Class 1 and Class 2 – https://www.picktime.com/thurlastonKS1

Class 3 and Class 4 - https://www.picktime.com/ThurlastonKS2

Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. (Matthew chapter 7 verse 24, NIV)

Yours sincerely,

Gavin Beetham.

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Provisional Dates 11&12/02/25 – Parents Evenings (Provisional) Half Term – 17-21/02/25 6/03/25 – World Book Day 24/03/25 Fit-Fencing Day 11/04/25 – Easter Service 2pm Easter Break 14-25/04/25 5/05/25 – Bank Holiday 12-15/05/25 – KS2 SATS Half Term – 26-30/05/25 24 &25/06/25 – KS2 Performances 1/07/25 – Sports Day 8/07/25 – Leavers Assembly 9/07/25 – School closed until 26/08/25