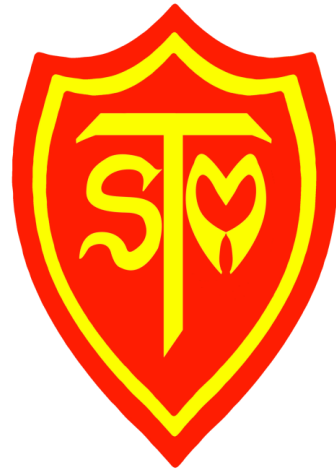


**Welcome to
St Thomas More RC
Primary School**



**New Intake Evening
June 2023**

Class Teachers

Miss Ronja RR
Miss Caswell RC

Houses

St Andrew's	
St David's	
St George's	
St Patrick's	

Mission Statement



St Thomas More RCP School Mission Statement

We want children to leave St Thomas More School

- happy with who they are,*
- confident in their abilities,*
- resilient in the face of challenge,*
- respectful and welcoming of diversity,*
- compassionate and empathetic,*
- ambitious for the next steps on their life journey, which they will approach with strong moral values centred on our faith and above all, being a living embodiment of Gospel values.*



What is the Early Years Foundation Stage?

- ▶ The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is the stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.
- ▶ It is based on the recognition that children learn best through play and active learning.

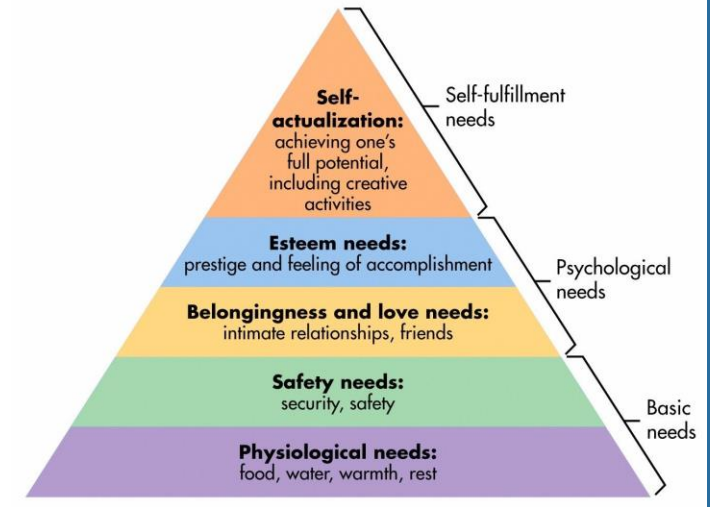


Three prime areas of learning and development

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Four specific areas of learning and development

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



The three characteristics of effective learning - how young children learn - are considered when we plan and guide children's activities.

- ▶ Playing and exploring
- ▶ Active learning
- ▶ Creating and thinking critically



Medical Matters

- Any sickness, diarrhoea, must be followed by 48 hours absence
- Any absence requires a note or telephone call each day - medical evidence may be requested
- Head lice are common! Please check regularly and treat as recommended
- Any medicines can only be administered by prior arrangement, this includes creams, eye drops etc.
- Asthma pumps should be left in school and in date

NO NUTS

Or products containing nuts to be brought into school.

No peanut butter, cereal bars with nuts, chocolate with nuts etc.

Attendance

- Please ensure your child is in school on time. School opens at 8:40am and registration is at 8:55am.
- It is important your child is in school everyday.
- If your child has any appointments please fill in one of the green forms at the office.

Uniform

Name all of their uniform



Winter uniform

Summer uniform

Must be bought from the 'Uniform Base' 11 Railway Street, Chatham. 01634 407217

PE Kit



- ▶ **PE kit**
- ▶ Your children require a named school PE kit
- ▶ T-shirt (house colour)
- ▶ Navy shorts and navy tracksuit bottoms
- ▶ Sweatshirt - navy with no zip or hoodie (please no fashion labels)
- ▶ Trainers
- ▶ Children can wear their PE kit to school on PE day. This information will be shared at the beginning of term.

Parent Communication



Other matters

- ▶ Free School Meals and Pupil premium
- ▶ Currently the Government continues to grant free meals to all your children in Foundation Stage and in KS1
- ▶ Children are allowed a piece of fruit at break time which we provide free of charge in KS1 and milk which you need to apply for by using the forms inside your folder. No other snacks are allowed at break time. Please send your child with water, not juice, in either a sports/water bottle that has their name on. Can purchase one from the school!
- ▶ If you choose to give your child a packed lunch instead, please make sure it is healthy
- ▶ No clingfilm, no nuts at all, including peanut butter, Nutella etc.

What does my child need at school?



What can I do to help my child ?

- ▶ Please support your child to independently put on their coat
- ▶ Toilet - independently
- ▶ Read lots of stories/ poems/ nursery rhymes over the summer
- ▶ Encourage your child to recognise their name
- ▶ Encourage independent use of cutlery for school dinners
- ▶ Independence is key! 😊



Classes

- ▶ *All children have been allocated a class and house colour (classes may be subject to change in October half term)*
- ▶ *House colours can be found in the information pack*
- ▶ *Your child's class will also be available in the information pack*



Afterschool Club

Rascals

After school club runs from 3.15 till 5.30pm

From 3.15 to 4.30 **£5.00**

From 3.15 to 5.30 **£7.00**

There will be fees for late pickups

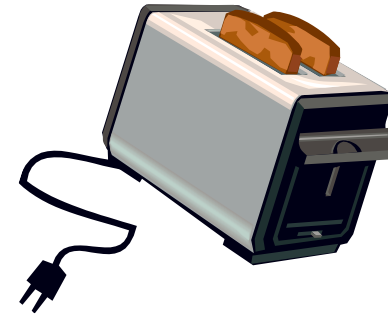
In the price for the first hour will be a drink and fruit.

Those who stay later will have a light tea e.g. beans on toast,
pasta, sandwich.

Those children will be able to take part in various activities,
organised by our staff, both indoors and outdoors.

After school club will NOT be available during the first two
weeks of term for Reception children due to the phased
transition.

Breakfast Club



Starts at 8am Monday to Friday

£3.50 per day

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