



St Thomas More School Newsletter

11th November 2021

Issue.10

Dates for your diary

15/11/2021

Anti bullying week in school

19/11/2021

Bring your parent to maths

9.15-9.45

30/11/2021

Year 6 trip to Kent Life

2/12/2021

RSHE Parent Consultation 4:30 – 5:30

6/12/2021

Tombola Tag day

8/12/2021

Meet Father Christmas

10/12/2021

Christmas Fair

15/12/2021

Christmas Dinner Day

20/12/2021-3/1/2022

Christmas Break

4.1.2022

Staff development day

School fund is now due and



is £15 per family. Please make payment on school gateway.

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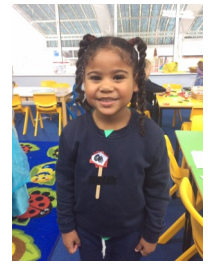
Dear Parents,

The children have had a busy week learning about climate change, making pledges to help save our planet and learning about Remembrance Day. The children all participated in our minute silence at 11 o'clock and took part in activities to give thanks to those who fought for the freedoms of our country.

Please make a note of the 'Dates For Your Diary' as we have Bring Your Parent to Maths, RSHE parent information session and Christmas related activities coming up over the next few weeks.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ebdon



St Thomas More Fundraising Team

We need you....Do you have a few hours to spare in the coming weeks, we need help with various Christmas events. No experience necessary but a willingness to get stuck in and help out. We will welcome you with open arms.

Please message us via our Facebook page or email Jody at flo@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk.



Following a virtual visit from STEM Ambassador Paula McMahon, the children learnt about her work as a Civil Engineer and Climate Change. They had opportunities to ask and answer questions and each class made a pledge to change 3 things to help save the planet. They learnt that if everyone makes small changes to their daily lives, the impact on the planet will be huge.



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Merit Award

Orla M RR
Tomas C RR
Nicholas F RS
Amen-Grace U 1J
Mila C 1D
Willow J 1D
Jensen P 2F
Emmanuel A 2S
Alex D 3C
Temitayo D 3B
Kacey B 4S
Henry C 4T
Jake B 5H
Elizabeth O 5M
Neve M 6C
Charles H 6C
Sian S 6B
Well done everyone



Job Vacancy at STM

Cleaner required 2 hours per day

3.30-5.30pm

If interested please ask at the school office
for an application form.

approx. £10 p/hr



Medway Children's Health Team

Parental information and support for the areas listed below can be found at;

www.medwaycommunityhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/a-z-services/child-health-service/behaviour-management

Anxiety
Anger management for children
Healthy screen time habits for children
Giving choices
Childhood fears



Parents can refer directly to the school nursing team using the online application on the link below regarding concerns about attention and focus, sensory processing, social communication, sleeping, toileting issues.

<https://www.medwaycommunityhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/a-z-services/child-health-service/school-health>

Please contact Mrs Austin SEN@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk with any queries.



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**Birthday's celebrated
during half term & this
week...**

Cian L
Leo O
Alfie Y
Samuil S
Rufus W
Sienna A
Jaden O



Welcome to our new Parent Governors

Katie Taylor & Sinead Joshi

We look forward to working with you both.

Thank you to everyone who applied for Parent Governor and thank you to all of you that voted.



Tombola Tag Day

Monday 6th December

We will be holding a Tombola Tag Day. Instead of the usual £1 donation we are asking for each year group to bring in an item for our Tombola.

Reception & Year 1—Chocolates and Biscuits

Year 2 & Year 3—Toiletries (bubble baths, shower gels etc)

Year 4 5 & 6—Bottles (soft drinks, alcoholic drinks etc)

We would be grateful if all donations could be sealed and in date please.

More information will be coming out next week via email.





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Reception Admission

2022 Information Parents of children who are due to start school in September 2022, can now apply for their chosen primary school. The closing date is 15th January 2022 at 5pm. https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200137/schools_and_learning/1059/applying_for_a_primary_school_place

You will need to create an account to apply. We will be sharing some opening day dates where parents can come and look around the school soon.

Secondary School

You should now have applied for your child's secondary school place.

Attendance & Punctuality

Over the coming weeks we shall be looking closely at attendance & punctuality and **letters will be sent home to students with attendance below 96%** and those that are consistently late to school. We have recently had the AASSA (Attendance Advisory Service to Schools and Academies) in from Medway Council and they are keen to help us improve our attendance & punctuality. Our current whole school attendance is **94.9%** which is below the National target of **97%** please help us improve our attendance by ensuring you child is in school everyday ,on time.



What is
GOOD
attendance?

