



# St Thomas More School Newsletter

10th October 2024

*'Love one another as I have loved you'*

## Dear Parents/Carers

We began this week with our collective worship based on the Old Testament (Genesis) with Adam and Eve and also the Gospel according to Mark (Chapter 10) which taught us how to live with trust and openness like children. The children have been reflective and have thought about how we are all God's children knowing that they are loved unconditionally. It has been lovely to hear how the children have been trying to follow in the footsteps of Jesus this week.



## Year 6 Liturgy

Thank you to all the parents of Year 6 who attended the liturgy on Wednesday. I am sure you will agree, that watching the children actively engage with their singing, prayers and activities inspired a greater sense of community reminding us of the importance of nurturing our faith as we come together as a family.



## Bring Your Parent to Reading/Phonic & Reading Workshop

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you for attending our 'Bring Your Parent to Reading' session this morning. By joining us, not only did you support their love for reading but also fostered a sense of community and encouragement that motivates them to keep exploring the joys of literature. I hope that you found our phonics and reading workshop useful too.



## Parent Evenings next week

Next week, we look forward to seeing you at our Parent Evening meetings giving us the opportunity to speak about how your child has settled into their new class and the new academic year. Please remember that you can come in earlier than your allocated appointment time to look through their books to see what they have been learning so far. Please remember that each slot is 10 minutes and that another family will be booked straight after your appointment so do try not to go over your allocated time. **REMEMBER** – this is for parents only so please do not bring children.

## Learning Snapshot





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## Merit Award

- RC Freya
- RR Jaxon
- 1S Buddy
- 1C Inioluwa
- 2D Joel
- 2D Demilade
- 2F Toby
- 3B Juliet
- 3L Nancy
- 4L Lewis
- 4S Logan
- 5W Ifechukwu
- 5C Emma
- 6B Grace
- 6F Bella



### Punctuality Peacock

RC, 6B



### Attendance Anteater

3B

## Secondhand Uniform Sale

Monday 14th October  
KS2 playground after school



### Emotional Wellbeing Team

The Emotional Wellbeing Team are in school running a face to face workshop - all welcome. Please email [sen@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk](mailto:sen@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk) if you are attending so we can plan accordingly.

### Parent Workshop

### Understanding and Supporting Behaviour

Tuesday 15th October at 09:15

School nurse workshop—Health Bladder and Bowel. For children who have toileting / continence concerns

Wednesday 13th November 2024 09:30am Saint Michael's rcp school

Please email [sen@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk](mailto:sen@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk) to book on.

## Prayer

Loving God, your Son Jesus shows us that all people, including the little children, are important and loved by you. Help us to follow his example and to respect and care for all people around the world.

**Amen.**





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## Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

Children embarked on a fascinating journey into the past exploring the lives of early humans. They engaged in hands-on activities from crafting their own Stone Age necklaces to practising their bow and arrow skills! They discovered how our ancestors lived, hunted, and thrived in the harsh conditions of the prehistoric world!



Thank you

A big thank you to all the parents who were able to make Jody's coffee afternoon and morning this week. We understand that not all parents are able to make these events but your ideas and suggestions for fundraising are always welcome by email to the flo email [flo@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk](mailto:flo@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk)

Thank you, Jody



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**We need parent helpers. Please let us know if you have a few hours a week to spare.**

**Email us with the heading Parent Helper at [Parents@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk](mailto:Parents@st-thomasmore.medway.sch.uk)**



## Safeguarding

If you're worried about a child or would like some family support, please contact us:

### Our Safeguarding Team

Mrs Le Breton Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Mrs Murphy Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) & Acting Deputy Head

Mrs Austin Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) & Assistant Head

Mrs Ronja Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) & EYFS Lead

Mrs Deamer Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) & Pastoral Manager

Mr D'Souza Governor Safeguarding Lead

Miss Joshi Governor Safeguarding Lead

You can also contact Medway's Children's Safeguarding Partnership

[https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200170/children\\_and\\_families/600/concerned\\_about\\_a\\_child#:~:t\\_ext=If%20you%20think%20the%20child,hours%20on%2003000%20419%20191](https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200170/children_and_families/600/concerned_about_a_child#:~:t_ext=If%20you%20think%20the%20child,hours%20on%2003000%20419%20191).

Or via telephone - **In an emergency phone 999**. If you think the child is at immediate risk of harm contact Medway Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm on 01634 334 466 or out of hours on 03000 419 191.



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## Term 1

### 14th October 2024

Second hand uniform sale

### 15th October 2024

EWT Understanding & supporting behaviour

9.15 in school

### 16th October 2024

Parents Evening 4-7

### 17th October 2024

Parents Evening 5-8

### 18th October 2024

Last day of Term 1

## Term 2

### 28th October 2024

Term 2 begins

### 30th October 2024

Y5 Liturgy 9.15-9.45

### 1st November 2024

All Saints Day & All Souls  
Mass in Church 9.30

Lead by 4S

### 8th November 2024

BYPT Maths Y1-6 9.15-9.45

### 8th November 2024

Maths Workshop for parents—Hall 10-10.30

### 13th November 2024

School nurse workshop—  
Health Bladder and Bowel

At St Michael's RCP

### 20th November 2024

Y4 Liturgy 9.15-9.45

### 25th November 2024

Book Fair

### 29th November 2024

Tombola Tag Day

### 2nd December 2024

EYFS PJ Day

### 2nd December 2024

KS1 Panto

### 6th December 2024

Christmas Fair KS2 Playground 3.30-4.30

### 11th December 2024

Christmas Productions

EYFS & KS1 9.15-10

KS2 10.15-11

£2 per ticket

### 12th December 2024

Christmas Production

EYFS & KS1 3.30-4.15

KS2 4.30-5.15

£2 per ticket

### 13th December 2024

Mass—Church 9.30

### 16th December 2024

KS2 Panto Central Theatre

### 17th December 2024

Children's Christmas lunch

### 19th December 2024

End of Term 2

### 20th December 2024

SDD

Closing date for applications to **secondary school** is  
**Thursday 31st October 2024**

Closing date for applications to **primary school** is  
**5pm on Wednesday 15th January 2025**

